

Tamer Institute for Community Education wins the Etisalat Award for Arabic Children's Literature.
"The Oil's Secret Tale" by Waleed Daqqa



The novel “The Oil’s Secret Tale” by the Palestinian prisoner and author Waleed Daqqa, was announced today at the Sharjah International Book Fair-UAE as the winner of the Etisalat Award for children’s book for 2018, under the youth’s book of the year category. The award was organized by the Emirati council for youth’s books, which is considered one of the most prestigious awards for children’s and youth’s literature in the Arab world.

The “Oil’s Secret Tale” is a novel for young boys and girls, and one of the first works presenting prison’s literature to this age group. Illustrations for the novel are created by the artist Fouad Yemani, and placed in 96 pages in middle-sized pieces, and is published by Tamer Institute for Community Education this year. The novel narrates the story of a boy named Jude and his animal friends, who undergo a journey full of adventures; to allow Jude to visit his father in the Israeli prisons. A journey full of surprises, discoveries and combines all possibilities, Jude, his animal friends and Em Rumi, the olive tree who gives him the Oil’s secret. A novel that breaks the obstacles imposed and made by the occupation. A novel that wins for childhood, for knowledge and for imagination.

In this occasion, Tamer Institute congratulates its readers, partners and the Palestinian community for winning the award, and expresses its gratitude for the efforts put in the creation of this work. The Institution also congratulates the author Waleed Daqqa for this achievement, hoping that the book and writing will be the source for his liberation and all the Palestinian prisoners, and prisoners around the world.