

Monsoon Wedding Director Mira Nair Boycotts Israel Film Festival

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[Mira Nair](#), the internationally-acclaimed director of *Salaam Bombay!* and *Monsoon Wedding*, has refused an invitation to take her latest film to Israel, citing the Palestinian call for cultural boycott.

In a [series of tweets today](#), Nair made the following statement:

I was just invited to Israel as a guest of honor at the Haifa International Film Festival with "The Reluctant Fundamentalist." I will not be going to Israel at this time. I will go to Israel when the walls come down. I will go to Israel when occupation is gone. I will go to Israel when the state does not privilege one religion over another. I will go to Israel when Apartheid is over. I will go to Israel, soon. I stand with the [Palestinian Campaign] for the Academic and Cultural Boycott of Israel (PACBI) and the larger [Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions \(BDS\)](#) Movement.

Official trailer of The Reluctant Fundamentalist

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