

## **Huda Asfour, PhD | Oud, Vocals, Composition | Palestine**

Huda believes in the necessity of transcending borders in both life and music. A polymath with works in the fields of music, biomedical engineering, signal and image processing, and social work. She is a natural storyteller whose music, through the tenderness of her oud and the lyricism of her compositions, challenges taboos and stereotypes. An exceptional improviser who has over the years collaborated with artists spanning countries from the USA to China.



Since the establishment of her first band with Tamer Abu Ghazaleh in 2003, Huda has released two studio albums; 'Mars, (2011) جاي ورايحة', funded by The Culture Resource and 'Kouni (2018) كونى', supported by a grant from the Arab Fund for Arts and Culture. Over the past 10 years, she has collaborated and performed with artists across the globe. She is the co-founder of the DC Palestinian Film and Arts Festival and Mashriq Maghreb, LLC. In March of 2019, she was nominated for the Aga Khan Music Awards for the Performance category. She is currently developing improvisation curricula for conducted improvisations supported by a grant from Mophradat arts funding organization.

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In addition to her work in music, Dr. Asfour is also a Biomedical Engineer with over 10 years of research and teaching experience.