



MADAME PARLIAMENTARIAN

A documentary by Rouane Itani

SYNOPSIS

Although Lebanon is considered the most progressive nation in the Arab world, **only four of the 128 Lebanese parliament members are women.** *Madame Parliamentarian*, a short documentary film depicting women's active participation in Lebanon's political life, explores the reasons behind this situation and examines solutions adopted by other countries to increase the number of women in political leadership.

Madame Parliamentarian will be used in conferences, seminars, and at colleges and universities. The 15-minute film is an educational tool to complement panel discussions and Q&A conversations with specialized speakers.

CREATIVE APPROACH

Madame Parliamentarian is primarily an essay-style documentary. It includes interviews with activists and scholars, as well as cinema verity footage from election campaigns, in addition to archival images and moving graphics. The music includes the songs "Take Me to Beirut" and "Hubblely Bubblely" from the *beirutbiloma* album by Music and Sound Designer Mohamad Kebbe.

DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

I am passionate about documentary films, especially those that cover topics about international development, human rights, social justice, history, immigration, identity, health, education, and holistic medicine.

Watching documentaries for me is like traveling around the world and entering people's living rooms while sitting on my sofa. I have a special interest in stories filmed around the globe in different languages that deal with complex identity fusion for people who straddle and belong to different worlds and cultures.

I love supporting and cheerleading other artists and entrepreneurs. I hope to be able to continue using my languages of Arabic, French, and English in future projects and to travel around Africa, Central and South America.

TEAM

ROUANE ITANI

Producer/Director

Rouane Itani is a Lebanese-American filmmaker, based in Washington, DC. Itani started her media career in broadcast TV in Beirut, Lebanon, before moving to the United States where she earned an M.A. in Film and Video Producing. She runs a boutique media production company, Aflama LLC, and has several years of experience creating corporate, documentary,

and educational video projects. She is fluent in Arabic, French, and English.

Madame Parliamentarian is her first independent film.

FILM DETAILS & CONTACT INFORMATION

Running Time: 15:18

Formats Available: DVD

Aspect Ratio: 4:3

Sound: Stereo

Premier status: Pending

Rights available: All

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Filmmaker's photo



Production Stills

