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## Palestinian Artist Remixes West Bank Wall



Khaled Jarrar, still from video Concrete, 2012

wall in preparation for his forthcoming exhibition at **Ayyam Gallery, London**, opening on June 20, 2013.

He said: "I took around 50 kilos, by smashing them first, remixing them in London to give them a new function. I got to a place where there were no soldiers and it took me a week to collect them.

"I wanted to use a very creative way to talk about the situation for the daily life of Palestinians and I'm willing to take the risk."

The show, *Whole in the Wall*, will see a concrete wall built across the gallery using the material collected in Palestine. Those visiting the exhibition will be invited to cross the barrier via a hole shaped like the Palestinian territories and Israel.

Other exhibits include reconstituted concrete footballs and olive trees alluding to the affects the wall has on those living close by. A film, *Concrete*, <u>which shows Jarrar chipping at the wall</u>, will also be shown.

"Maybe you will get the feeling, in the gallery, which is akin to crossing such a wall," continued the artist. "It's not so risky, there are a lot of differences, but you get the idea physically."

Whole in the Wall, Ayyam Gallery, London, June 20-August 3, 2013

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Courtesy the artist and Ayyam Gallery

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Palestinian artist Khaled Jarrar avoided security cameras and Israeli soldiers to chip away pieces of the barrier separating Israel from the West Bank in preparation for his latest show.

Jarrar told **BLOUIN ARTINFO UK** that he spent around a week removing 50kg of cement from the

