

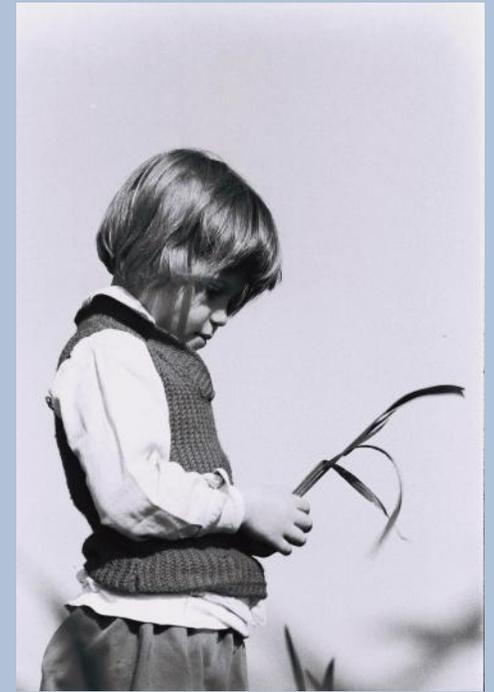


"Etched in my mind is the thought that the photograph continues to exist even after the moment ends, and it takes on an immortal status."

—Baruch Raviv



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Nahal Oz Memoirs



Kibbutz Nahal Oz

Kibbutz Nahal Oz - Was first established as a military base on July 26, 1951 in the newly recognized Israel. In September 1953, it was naturalized by a nucleus of young men and women to become a Kibbutz. Its location was determined in accordance with the security needs of the era, hundreds of meters from the border of the Gaza Strip.

The main products were agricultural: field crops, dairy and chicken coop.

On October 7, 2023, on its 70th anniversary, the kibbutz was occupied by Palestinian terrorists, who walked around it for many hours, murdering and abducting citizens to the Gaza territory. The kibbutz was evacuated after the massacre and declared a closed military area.

This exhibit is in honor of the Kibbutz's beautiful and historic early years.

Baruch Raviv 1935-2014

Baruch Raviv was born in 1935 in Kfar Gibton and grew up in Rehovot, Israel. From an early age he was active in a youth movement that found purpose in settling the land of the young state of Israel. In 1953, together with a group of friends, he founded kibbutz Nahal Oz in the western Negev, steps away from the Gaza border.

Baruch was rooted in agriculture all his life and became one of the most prominent advisers in the field. While spending hours outdoors, he began photographing the landscapes and people of his surroundings.

To expand his knowledge and passion for this art, he studied at Bezal'el Academy of Art and Camera Obscura School of Photography. Shortly after he collaborated with some well known authors to publish children's books that featured his photographs of children in nature. Later on he published two books of his own where he reflected on his family's roots and childhood, the founding of the kibbutz, and his love of humankind. He exhibited in solo and group exhibitions both in Israel and abroad.

Baruch passed away in 2014 and was buried in his beloved land of the Negev.

