International Virtual Lecture Series: Talking Memory with Guest Speaker Marisa Fox

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The Ghetto Fighters' House would like to invite you to our next lecture in our international lecture series "Talking Memory"

We are honored to host Marisa Fox who will give a talk on:

“My Underground Mother: A Daughter’s Epic Search for Her Late Mother’s Hidden Holocaust Past"

The film’s director, journalist Marisa Fox (Haaretz, the Forward, the NY Times) knew her mother as Tamar, an indelible redhead, proud of her “freedom fighter” years in the Israeli underground & army, where she was the highest ranking woman in Moshe Dayan’s 89th battalion. Some 20 years after her mother’s death, Marisa learns “Tamar” was just her code name in Lehi and goes in search of her true identity. Marisa follows a series of clues that take her from her native New York to her mom’s Polish hometown to a remote, alpine village in the Czech Republic where her mother and 5,000 mainly teenage Jewish girls from Zaglembie, Poland/Upper Silesia were smuggled as Nazi slaves and exploited in a void. When Marisa finds her mother’s writing in a communal camp diary, she finds the seeds of the fierce Zionist fighter she would become, as well as names of women she sets out to locate in a race against time.

“My Underground Mother,” the culmination of a decade of research & interviews all around the world with 50 mostly female survivors and underground members, explores survival, sisterhood and sexualized trauma in a vast, but secret network of Jewish women’s camps. “My Underground Mother” is a story of female resistance, resilience and reinvention, a daughter’s reckoning with her mother’s hidden traumas and an intergenerational reclaiming of a silenced women’s Holocaust narrative.


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The event will take place on ZOOM and is free to the public.

Registration is required using the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAodu-pqz8uH9REIEdPj6iyoyRz3]qU0EFu

For questions contact: madenes@gfh.org.il

DATE: Sunday, September 13, 2020
TIME:
11 AM Pacific
2 PM East Coast
7 PM England
9 PM Israel