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Journalist discusses book on justice in Rwanda and Yugoslavia

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WATERLOO – Working as a journalist, Carol Off saw the failed efforts of the international community to respond to the tragedies of Rwanda and Bosnia. She will discuss her controversial book that details these stories – *The Lion, The Fox and the Eagle: A Story of Generals and Justice in Rwanda and Yugoslavia* – on Tuesday, November 21, at 12 p.m. in the Concourse at Wilfrid Laurier University.

Drawing on exclusive interviews, Off focuses on three Canadians – Brigadier-General Romeo Dallaire (the lion), Major-General Lewis MacKenzie (the fox) and Madam Justice Louise Arbour (the eagle) – who found themselves playing critical roles in the international reaction to the events in Rwanda and Bosnia. She takes a behind-the-scenes look at the failed efforts to maintain peace amidst mass murder in Africa and the Balkans, and the pursuit of justice against those responsible for the killings.

"The topics that Carol Off deals with in this book are very controversial, but of immense importance on the world stage," says event organizer Kathryn Wardropper. "She provides new information and insights into these events, tackling questions of morality and justice."

Off, who lives and works in Toronto, has traveled and reported on many of the world's conflicts from the Gulf War to the fall of Yugoslavia. She has won numerous awards for her television and radio coverage of such stories as the plight of women refugees, the ethnic cleansing of Bosnia and the escape routes of war criminals.

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This is just one event in the Laurier Bookstore's Meet the Author series. In the past 15 years, the Laurier Bookstore has brought to the community such world-renowned authors as Margaret Atwood, Timothy Findley, W.O. Mitchell, Jack Granatstein, and recent Giller Prizewinner David Adams Richards.