

## Donna Rosenthal Introduction

Ladies and gentlemen, it is now my privilege to introduce you to a talented storyteller...

She is **an award-winning journalist**, who has written for *The Jerusalem Post*, *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, and *Newsweek* to name a few, taught at three universities, and has reported from Iran, Lebanon, Egypt, Jordan and even remote Ethiopian mountain villages, where she told the story of Jews praying in grass-hut synagogues...

She is **an acclaimed author**, who penned *The Israelis: Ordinary People in an Extraordinary Land*, a book that explores the diverse and complex culture of modern Israel, which has received high praise by publications from *the Los Angeles Times* to *The Jerusalem Post*...

And she is **a renowned expert on modern Israel**, who has lectured at universities around the country, from Harvard to UCLA, and is frequently interviewed about Israel on news outlets from CNN to Fox to NPR.

Ladies and gentleman, please welcome award-winning journalist and author, Donna Rosenthal.