

## Linda Gradstein Introduction

Ladies and gentlemen, it is now my privilege to introduce you to an Israeli reporting expert...

She is an experienced media professional, who is the Israel bureau chief for The Media Line news agency, served 20 years as the Israel correspondent for NPR News, and was a Knight Journalist Fellow at Stanford University...

She is a talented journalist, who worked as a freelance reporter for Public Radio International's The World, AOL News, and Slate, and has covered groundbreaking events in the Middle East, including the second Intifada, the mass immigration of Soviets to Israel, the rise of Hamas, the Persian Gulf War, as well as two election cycles in Israel...

And she is an award-winning reporter, who was a member of the team that received the Overseas Press Club award for coverage of the assassination of Israeli Prime Minister, Yitzhak Rabin, and was a member of the team that received the Alfred I. DuPont-Columbia University Award for Excellence in Broadcast Journalism for coverage of the Persian Gulf War.

Ladies and gentlemen please welcome esteemed journalist, Linda Gradstein.