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Genocide Lecture At HMC

The Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus will welcome Scott Straus, professor of political science and international studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, at 7 p.m., Wednesday, June 28.



Scott Straus

A former journalist based in Nairobi, Kenya, Straus has written extensively on the causes and prevention of genocide. During "The Promise of Never Again:

Where Are We Today and What Can Be Done?" he will discuss domestic and global efforts to prevent genocide, with a focus on the progress made in the past 20 years and the challenges going forward.

"Genocide was not a term used until 1944 when it was created to describe Nazi policies of systematic murder. Referring to violent crimes committed against a group with the intent to destroy their existence, genocide is, unfortunately, still alive and well in regions across the world including the South Sudan," said Rabbi Eli Mayerfeld, CEO of the Holocaust Memorial Center. "Having Scott Straus, who is one of our country's foremost experts on the subject, join us for this presentation will be quite eye-opening to all those who attend."

The event is supported by Doris and Eric Billes, Pam and Ken Bloom, Karolyn and Arie Leibovitz, Denise and Peter Rodgers, as well as the PNC Foundation, Rwandan-American Community of Midwest and Armenian Genocide Education Committee. It is free for members and \$5 for nonmembers. To RSVP, call Laura Williams at (248) 536-9605 or email rsvp@holocaustcenter.org by Sunday, June 25. ➔