Research as WITNESS
What I’ve Learned From Hiroshima Survivors, Vietnam Veterans, and Nazi Doctors

Inaugural Raphael Lemkin Engaged Scholar Award and Lecture

DR. ROBERT JAY LIFTON
Speaker and Awardee

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5th, 2017
6:00-8:30pm
Dana Room, 4th Floor, Dana Library
Rutgers University-Newark
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**CGHR’s Raphael Lemkin Engaged Scholar Award** honors leading public intellectuals who—like Raphael Lemkin, the jurist who coined the term genocide and taught at Rutgers during the mid-1950s—have produced exemplary scholarship while grappling with the most pressing global challenges.

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**6:00-6:15pm** Music by The Aleppo Ensemble, featuring Professor Mohamed Alsiadi

**6:15-6:20pm** Introduction by Dr. Alex Hinton and Professor Nela Navarro, CGHR

**6:20-6:25pm** Greeting from the RU-N Chancellor - Dr. Peter Englot, Senior Vice Chancellor for Public Affairs, Rutgers University, Newark

**6:25-6:30pm** Poetry Reading by Professor Nela Navarro, Associate Director, CGHR

**6:25-6:30pm** Introduction to Dr. Robert Jay Lifton

**6:30-6:40pm** Conferring of Award by Mr. Joseph Lemkin, Chair of CGHR Development Board

**6:40-8:00pm** Keynote Lecture: Dr. Robert Jay Lifton

**8:00-8:45pm** Music and Reception

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