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Jones Room, 311 Woodruff Library, Emory University

The global campaigns to treat sexual violence during conflict as war crimes and to include women in peace processes have made notable strides over the past decade. Yet, sexual violence in conflict continues on a horrific scale. This is true in Syria, where the brutal conflict continues after more than three years with no resolution in sight. Sexual violence, including rape and other forms of sexual assault, is being perpetrated by all sides. Sex trafficking is taking place in the border areas and in refugee camps, and women and girls are being forced into ‘one-hour’ marriages against their will. In 2013 alone, over 38,000 people sought help from the United Nations after surviving sexual or other gender-based violence in Syria, a number that is likely vastly underreported. This panel of distinguished experts will talk about the role of sexual violence in the Syrian conflict and the surrounding region, what is being done to address it and what it will take to address the needs of survivors.

Participants

Lauren Wolfe  Award-winning journalist and Director of the Women’s Media Center’s Women Under Siege project
Christopher McNaboe  Program Associate, The Carter Center
Liz McLaughlin  Associate Vice President, CARE
Pamela Scully (moderator)  Emory professor of Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies and African Studies

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