

## **Speaker Biographies**

### **Agustín Cavana**

Agustín Cavana received his law degree from the University of Buenos Aires Law School (2010), receiving a “Diploma de Honor” award (top 2% of class). In 2015, he was awarded the Jose Siderman – Fulbright Scholarship to study at Southwestern Law School. He holds an LL.M from Southwestern Law School and the title of Specialist in Criminal Law from the University Torcuato Di Tella School of Law. He teaches at the University of Buenos Aires Law School and served as a legal clerk in several Argentine courts. He has worked as a lawyer for the Procuración Penitenciaria de la Nación (Federal Prison Ombudsman) (2014-2015) and as legal advisor to the Commissions of Justice, Criminal Law and Constitutional Affairs under Argentine Congressman Ricardo Gil Lavedra (2010-2012). He is the author of several papers on domestic criminal procedure and human rights and his work has been translated to English and Portuguese. He worked for the AMIA Special Prosecution Unit from 2016 to 2018. Currently, Mr. Cavana works for the Federal Prosecution Unit in Moreno, Buenos Aires.

### **Gaston Chiller**

Gastón Chiller is a human rights activist, Executive Director of the Center for Legal and Social Studies (CELS) in Argentina since 2006, co-president of the International Network for Civil Liberties Organizations (INCLO), and a member of the board of directors of the Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL). As Executive Director of CELS, Mr. Chiller leads an organization noted for its human rights litigation, both in Argentina and internationally, and has worked with *Memoria Activa*, one of the victim’s groups from the bombing, in bringing the AMIA case before the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights. Mr. Chiller earned his law degree from the University of Buenos Aires (UBA) and obtained his LL.M (Magna Cum Laude) in International Law and Human Rights from Notre Dame Law School. Between 2003 and 2005, Chiller worked as a senior human rights and security associate at the Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA).

### **Luis Czyzewski**

Mr. Czyzewski lost his daughter, Paola, in the bombing of the AMIA building and has devoted his life to bringing her killers to justice. He is one of a number of family members of victims of the bombing who have led the effort to bring criminal complaints as private prosecutors, denounced failures in the investigation,

offered frequent public lectures on the case, and appeared in the media in attempts to push the investigation forward and end the impunity of the bombing's perpetrators.

### **Rabbi Abraham Cooper**

Rabbi Abraham Cooper is the Associate Dean and Director of the Global Social Action Agenda of the Simon Wiesenthal Center, a leading Jewish human rights organization with over 40,000 members. Rabbi Cooper's extensive work on behalf of Soviet Jewry included visiting refuseniks in the 1970s, helping open the first Jewish Cultural Center in Moscow in the 1980s, and lecturing at the Soviet Academy of Sciences and the Sakharov Foundation in the 1990s. In 1977, he came to Los Angeles to help Rabbi Marvin Hier found the Simon Wiesenthal Center. For four decades, Rabbi Cooper has overseen the Wiesenthal Center's international social action agenda, ranging from worldwide anti-Semitism, extremist groups and Nazi crimes, to Interfaith Relations, a movement to thwart the anti-Israel Divestment campaign, and worldwide promotion of tolerance education. In 1992 and 2003, he helped coordinate international conferences in Paris on anti-Semitism cosponsored by UNESCO. In 1997, he coordinated the Center's international conference, *Property and Restitution-The Moral Debt to History* in Geneva, Switzerland. In 2000, he coordinated the *International Conversation on Digital Hate* in Berlin, co-sponsored by the German government. Rabbi Cooper's editorials have appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Miami Herald*, *USA Today*, the *Chicago Tribune*, the *Globe and Mail*, *National Post*, *Le Monde*, the *Japan Times* and *The Straits Times*.

### **Toby Dershowitz**

Toby Dershowitz is Senior Vice President for Government Relations and Strategy at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies (FDD) and President of The Dershowitz Group. She focuses on policy issues related to terrorism, cyber security, sanctions, the Middle East generally, and on illicit networks in Latin America. Ms. Dershowitz also serves on the Board of Advisors of the FDD's Center on Economic and Financial Power, focused on tracking Iran's global threat network, and is the President of the Washington Regional Office of the American Jewish Committee. Her articles have been published in *The New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, *The Hill*, *Moneylaundering.com*, *Business Insider*, *Forbes*, *The National Interest* and *Huffington Post*. As a result of her friendship with Alberto Nisman, she has created the website [AlbertoNisman.org](http://AlbertoNisman.org).

## **Leonardo Filippini**

Leonardo Filippini earned his law degree from the University of Buenos Aires, an LLM from the University of Palermo, and an LLM from Yale Law School. He is a law professor at the University of Buenos Aires and Palermo, has served as the Deputy Director for the Protection of Human Rights in Argentina's Federal Penitentiary Prosecution Office, and as a researcher at the International Center for Transitional Justice. He has held multiple positions as a prosecutor in Argentina. In 2015, Mr. Filippini became a prosecutor before the National Chamber of Criminal and Correctional Cassation, and in 2016, Mr. Filippini was appointed to work in the AMIA Prosecution Unit after the death of Alberto Nisman.

## **Claudio Grossman**

Claudio Grossman is a Professor of Law, Dean Emeritus, and the Raymond Geraldson Scholar for International and Humanitarian Law at American University's Washington College of Law. Dean Grossman joined Washington College of Law in 1983 as director of its International Legal Studies Program and served as dean from 1995-2005. Throughout his academic career, Dean Grossman has contributed to promoting the rule of law, human rights and legal education in both international and domestic organizations. Dean Grossman was elected to the United Nations International Law Commission in November 2016 for a five-year term, and previously served as a member (2003-2015) and chairperson (from 2008-2015) of the United Nations Committee Against Torture.

On May 30, 2013, Dean Grossman was elected Chair of the UN Human Rights Treaty Bodies for a one-year term. He has served as President of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, following three years on its Board of Directors from 2014-present. He is also on the Board of the ABA's Rule of Law Initiative (ROLI) and a member of the American Law Institute. He has received numerous awards for his work in human rights and international law. Most recently, Dean Grossman served as Chile's Agent in a case before the International Court of Justice brought by Bolivia against Chile, which resulted in a 2018 decision in favor of Chile.

Dean Grossman's work on the AMIA bombing stems from his role from 1993-2003 as a member of the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights, his two periods elected as President of the Commission – in 1996 and 2001 –, and his work as the Commission's Observer of the AMIA trial (2001-2005).

## **Paul Hoffman**

Paul Hoffman has argued multiple human rights cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, and is particularly noted for his litigation of cases under the Alien Tort Statute and the Torture Victim Protection Act in Federal court at both the trial and appellate levels. He has won or successfully settled some of the most important international human rights cases ever brought in the United States, including *Siderman v. Republic of Argentina*, *Doe v. UNOCAL* and *Hilao v. Estate of Marcos*. After graduating NYU Law School, he began his legal career as a litigation associate at Loeb and Loeb, but simultaneously worked as a volunteer attorney at the ACLU of Southern California. Then after several years as a professor at Southwestern Law School he moved full-time to the ACLU, becoming the Legal Director of the ACLU of Southern California. After leaving the ACLU in 1994, he went into private practice, ultimately joining Schonbrun, DeSimone Seplow Harris & Hoffman LLP as a partner. He has served two, four-year terms on Amnesty International's nine-person International Executive Committee, including a period as Chair, and has served multiple terms as Chair of the Board and a member of the Executive Committee and Board of Amnesty International-USA. He has served on the Board of Article 19 (International Center Against Censorship), the International League for Human Rights, the Center for Human Rights and Constitutional Law, and Innocence Matters. He has taught courses in international human rights and run human rights clinics at George Washington University, Harvard, Loyola, Oxford, UC Irvine, UCLA, and Stanford.

## **Viviana Krsticevic**

Ms. Krsticevic received her law degree from the University of Buenos Aires, a Masters degree in Latin American Studies from Standard University, and an LLM from Harvard University. She has frequently litigated cases before both the Inter-American Commission and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. She is the author of numerous articles, which have been published in the U.S., Latin America and Europe, including an article in 1997 published in Southwestern's Journal of International Law (then called the Journal of Law and Trade in the Americas) titled "How Inter-American Human Rights Litigation Brings Free Speech to the Americas." Currently, Ms. Krsticevic is the Executive Director of the Center for Justice and International Law, which is best known for its litigation in the Inter-American human rights system and for facilitating litigation in that system by local human rights organizations. CEJIL has offices in Washington, D.C., Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, and San José, Costa Rica.

## **Máximo Langer**

Professor Langer is a Professor of Law at UCLA, the founding Faculty Director of the UCLA Criminal Justice Program, and an authority on comparative and international criminal law and procedure. He received his law degree from the University of Buenos Aires and his S.J.D. from Harvard Law School. Before coming to the United States, he worked in an Argentine Federal District Court as a law clerk, in white-collar criminal litigation, and for a Committee of the Argentine Congress on criminal justice reform. His teaching has taken him as a visiting professor to the Universidad Torcuato Di Tella in Argentina, Harvard Law School, NYU Law School, and the School of Law of Aix-Marseille University in France. He currently serves as Vice President of the American Society of Comparative Law and is a member of the American Law Institute.

## **Rabbi Avi Weiss**

Rabbi Weiss served for many years as the Rabbi of the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale – The Bayit, a major Open Orthodox Jewish congregation in the Bronx, N.Y., and he continues to serve there as Rabbi in Residence. In 1999, Rabbi Weiss founded Yeshiva Chovevei Torah, a progressive Orthodox seminary, and in May 2009, he established Yeshivat Maharat, a seminary to train women as Maharat, a title Rabbi Weiss created for women wishing to work as Orthodox Jewish clergy. Rabbi Weiss is the National President of AMCHA – the Coalition for Jewish Concerns, a grassroots organization that speaks out for Jewish causes throughout the world. He has authored numerous articles and two books: *Women at Prayer: A Halakhic Analysis of Women's Prayer Groups* and *Principles of Spiritual Activism*. He visited Buenos Aires on multiple occasions during the years after the AMIA bombing in attempts to push the investigation forward and combat its cover-up.

## **Lillian M. Wohl**

Dr. Wohl is Assistant Director of Academic Research for the Lowell Milken Fund for American Jewish Music and was postdoctoral fellow in musicology at UCLA from 2017–2018. She specializes in Latin American and Jewish popular and sacred musics, working primarily in Argentina and the United States. She is currently working on her first book, *From Memory: Music, Temporality, and the Performance of Jewish Belonging in Buenos Aires*, an ethnography of the affective meanings of music and Jewish memory work in socially and culturally mediated spaces of the city.

Dr. Wohl was Visiting Asst. Professor at the Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (2014–2017) and completed a Ph.D. in ethnomusicology at the University of Chicago in 2015. Dr. Wohl's essays on musical responses to the AMIA bombing appear in *Landscapes of Memory and Impunity: The Aftermath of the AMIA Bombing in Jewish Argentina*, edited by Natasha Zaretsky and Annette Levine (Brill, 2015) and *Performing Commemoration: Musical Reenactment and the Politics of Trauma*, edited by Annegret Fauser and Michael Figueroa (forthcoming University of Michigan Press).

### **Alberto Zuppi**

Alberto Luis Zuppi received his law degree and began to work in criminal cases in Buenos Aires, Argentina. After studying in Germany, he obtained his PhD magna cum laude in public international law at the Universität des Saarlandes. He then returned to Argentina to teach at the University of Buenos Aires Law School and to work as an attorney, representing several European governments in extradition cases of former members of the Argentine dictatorship and Nazi criminals. In 1997, he became a Private Prosecutor representing victims and families of the victims in the AMIA case. In 2000, he won the prize of the Argentine National Academy of Law for his work on universal jurisdiction. In 2001, he was appointed as Secretary of Justice in Argentina during a brief interim government. From 2003 to 2008, he taught in the United States as the Robert & Pamela Martin Professor of Law at the Paul M. Hebert Law Institute of Louisiana State University, where he taught public and criminal international law. He has written several books and more than sixty articles related to international law in German, Spanish, French, Portuguese and English, and his latest book is *AMIA: An Ongoing Crime* (2018).

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**Daniel Raijman Quartet**

Daniel Raijman - Guitar, Vocals, Arrangements and Musical Direction.

Mariano Dugatkin - Bandoneon

Matias Piegari - Piano

Chloe Pourmorady - Violin and Vocals

Daniel Raijman is an award-winning composer, guitarist and producer based in Los Angeles. Over the years, Daniel has composed music for commercials, film and television for Sony Pictures, NBCUniversal, and Netflix, among others). He is very active in the Jewish community having performed, composed, arranged and produced music for Sinai Temple, The Jewish Federation, the Chloe Pourmorady Ensemble, the UCLA Milken Fund, AJU and AJRCA, among others. He graduated from the Film Scoring Program at UCLA, studying composition and orchestration with multiple Emmy Award winning composers such as Mark Watters, Tim Kelly and Michael Giacchino's orchestrator Norman Ludwin. He has also studied Film and Television Orchestration at Berklee College of Music and earned a diploma in Recording Arts at Tecson, School of Recording and Post-Production in Buenos Aires.

Daniel spent his youth in Buenos Aires, the cultural hub of Argentina. He attended the Buenos Aires School of Music where he would go on to receive a Bachelor of Music in Performance, Specializing in guitar.

Heavily and eclectically influenced by Argentine tango, Jewish Music, Pat Metheny and John Williams, Raijman has a hugely varied background of experience and style that he applies to his work.