



Laura Ling: A JOURNEY OF HOPE

Wednesday, March 11, 2015, 6 p.m.

Mitchell Hall

Tickets will be available beginning February 16 at the Bob Carpenter Center and Trabant Student Center. Two ticket limit with UD ID.

Laura Ling is a journalist, producer, and author. Recently, Ling served as Vice President of Current TV's journalism department and created Current's weekly investigative documentary series "Vanguard."

In addition to overseeing the department and guiding its editorial vision, Ling worked as a correspondent reporting on crucial issues from around the world. She has reported from dozens of countries and has

covered subjects including slave labor in the Brazilian Amazon, Mexico's drug war, Internet censorship in China, and women's rights in Turkey. Under her leadership, episodes of "Vanguard" received numerous prestigious awards including the Alfred I. DuPont Award and several Emmy nominations.

In March 2009, while reporting on the trafficking of North Korean women, Ling was

detained by North Korean soldiers along the Chinese-North Korean border. She and her colleague Euna Lee were arrested and held captive in North Korea for 140 days before being granted a special pardon and returning to the United States. She has since sought to shine a light on the issue of trafficked women as well as to bring greater attention to the plight of other imprisoned journalists around the world.

Prior to joining Current in 2005, Ling worked as a series producer for Channel One News where she produced reports from around the globe. Ling co-created "Breaking it Down," a documentary series on MTV that aired between 1999 and 2001. Her work has also appeared on ABC's "Nightline," NBC, PBS, and the WB.

Ling is co-author of *Somewhere Inside: One Sister's Captivity in North Korea and the Other's Fight to Bring Her Home* (HarperCollins).

This event is free and open to the public, but tickets are required. For more information, they can contact the Office of the Provost 831-2101 or email vpd@udel.edu



In celebration of UD Women 100 Years and to honor outstanding women

Celebration of Excellence

This event is part of a 3-day celebration beginning on March 10 from 9:30–10:45 a.m. in Bayard Sharp with a round table discussion modeling the television show "The View" with a select number of faculty and students to speak about issues relevant to the experiences of women in the world and on our campus. Light refreshments will be served.

The series will close on March 12 at 5:30 p.m. in Trabant MPR ABC with the Women

of Promise Celebration, a sit-down dinner open to tenured and non-tenured women faculty with a 3-piece band to conclude our celebratory week. This dinner is by invitation only. The keynote speaker will be Amy DuBois, the former editor of *Essence* Magazine, who is now the executive editor at ESPN. We will also, for the first time, be awarding the Bessie Collins and Mae Carter awards at this dinner

Dare to be first.

