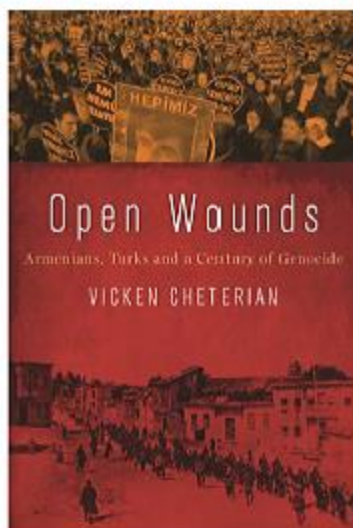


Join us for a discussion of

OPEN WOUNDS



Armenians, Turks and a Century of Genocide

The assassination of Hrant Dink reignited the debate in Turkey on the annihilation of Ottoman Armenians. Many Turks soon re-awakened to their Armenian heritage, reflecting on how their grandparents were forcibly Islamized and Turkified, and the suffering families endured to keep their stories secret. Public debate exposed the original sin on which the state was founded: the Armenian Genocide. At last the silence had been broken.

Open Wounds explains how Turkey forcibly erased the memory of the atrocities and traces of Armenians from their historic lands -- a process to which the international community turned a blind eye and a traumatized Armenian nation struggled to resist. The price for this amnesia was, Vicken Cheterian argues, *a century of genocide*.

Meet author Vicken Cheterian from Webster University in Geneva, Switzerland. As a journalist and historian, he has worked on contemporary conflicts in the Middle East and post-Soviet space, publishing widely in *Le Monde Diplomatique*, *Al-Hayat*, and *Open Democracy*. He is the author of *War and Peace in the Caucasus: Russia's Troubled Frontier*.

Thursday, February 18, 2016 @ 7:45 p.m.

St. Leon Armenian Church/Charles & Grace Pinajian Youth Center

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