SANDY TOLAN

ONE LAND, TWO PEOPLES:
SIXTY YEARS OF THE ISRAEL-PALESTINE TRAGEDY

Tuesday, Feb. 19 / 8:00 p.m.
Free
UCSB Campbell Hall

In May, 2008, Arabs and Jews will mark the 60th anniversary of the War of 1948. For Israelis, it was the War of Independence; for Palestinians, the “Nakba,” or Catastrophe. Sandy Tolan explores this dual intertwined history in a deeply personal way, through two families, in an attempt to understand the roots of the conflict, and where that past might point us.

Sandy Tolan, Visiting Professor at the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Southern California, is the author of The Lemon Tree: An Arab, a Jew, and the Heart of the Middle East. A finalist for a National Book Critics Circle award, it won Booklist’s “Top of the List” award in nonfiction, and the Christopher Award for works “affirming the highest values of the human spirit.” Tolan has garnered more than 25 national and international journalism awards, mostly for his radio work, including a duPont-Columbia Silver Baton, three Robert F. Kennedy awards, a United Nations Gold Medal award, and two honors from the Overseas Press Club. Courtesy of Borders, copies of The Lemon Tree will be available for purchase and signing at this event.