International speaker on human trafficking and child slavery to visit SUNY Broome on October 19

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Educator, activist and author Carol Metzker will discuss human trafficking and child slavery during a visit to SUNY Broome on October 19.

The presentation and Q & A session will run from 3 to 4:30 p.m. October 19 in Decker Health Sciences Building Room 201.

Metzker is an expert on the legal, social, and ethical problem of human trafficking in many countries, as well as in the U.S. She is the author of *The World's Dirtiest Secret: From Revelation to Action, a Journey to Help Survivors of Child Slavery* and *Facing the Monster: How One Person Can Fight Child Slavery.* She is a well-known blogger on Free the Slaves, a platform for dialogue about how slavery affects communities around the world and what can be done about it. Mezker is also the recipient of Rotary International's highest distinction, the Service Above Self Award.

A glimpse into the topic of her presentation here at SUNY Broome:

An invisible, growing monster roams the streets, preying on millions of innocent victims in the United States and overseas. This monster is child slavery, and it is woven into the very fabric of our daily lives. Because it touches every aspect of our lives, however, it can be addressed and solved. Author Carol Hart Metzker calls attention to the plight of the world's children who live a life of modern slavery. An unexpected encounter with an eleven-year-old girl led her into the dark world of human trafficking, forced sex trade, and child slavery. Metzker's quest to find hope, to help end slavery, and to aid survivors took her as far as children's shelters in remote villages in India and as close as a special home just miles from her front door in Pennsylvania. Metzker will share the stories of rescued child slaves and paint a poignant picture of the plight of hidden victims worldwide. Metzker's inspiring chronicle will reveal the monstrous truths about child slavery, provide an action plan to become an agent of change, and present solutions to end it.

This event promises to be an informative and inspiring conversation. Please join us.



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