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Present

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## *My Prison, My Home: One Woman's Story of Captivity in Iran*



**Date:** Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2009 **Time:** 3:00-4:15 p.m.

**Location:** Gasson Hall, Room 100

Dr. Haleh Esfandiari is Middle East Program Director at the Wilson Center, who in 2007 was detained for eight months in Iran, spending over three months in Tehran's Evin Prison. Based on her experience, Esfandiari will discuss the seemingly intractable problems between Iran and the United States, possible solutions, and future relations in light of recent and upcoming elections in both countries. Esfandiari is a distinguished Iranian-American public intellectual who is the former deputy secretary general of the Women's Organization of Iran and has taught at Princeton University. She has worked in Iran as a journalist and is the author of *Reconstructed Lives: Women and Iran's Islamic Revolution*.

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