Central America has experienced an impressive growth in independent, investigative journalism in recent years, focused on key issues such as democracy, corruption, migration, human rights, gender issues, Indigenous movements, and social, economic and environmental struggles. Journalists in the region have also faced mounting censorship, surveillance, and persecution. We will hear from three leading journalists from El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras on the successes, setbacks, and challenges of journalism in Central America.

This event will be in Spanish with simultaneous interpretation.

Julia Gavarrete is an investigative journalist from El Salvador who works in newsroom and documentary production, most recently with El Faro. In 2019, the International Women’s Media Foundation named her as one of 19 women changing journalism.

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