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Featuring

**MATTI FRIEDMAN**

*Journalist & Author, Times of Israel*

**Tuesday, December 5, 2017**

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# ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

## MATTI FRIEDMAN



Matti Friedman is a Canadian-born journalist and author who made Aliyah to Israel in 1995. A reporter for *The Times of Israel* and regular contributor to *Tablet Magazine*, Matti previously worked as a correspondent for the *Associated Press*, where he specialized in religion and archaeology. Over his career, Matti's reporting has taken him from Israel to Lebanon, Morocco, Moscow, and the Caucasus, and his writing has appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and elsewhere. Two essays Matti wrote about bias media coverage of Israel after the 2014 Gaza war, for *Tablet* and *The Atlantic*, triggered intense discussion.

His pieces exposed how his own colleagues at AP wrongly inflated Israel's importance as the epicenter of Middle East conflict, exaggerated Israel's flaws, and portrayed Israel and the Jews as representing every ill the West despises in itself. Matti Friedman's latest book, *Pumpkinflowers*, was published in May 2016, and recounts his own life-changing experience as an Israeli soldier responsible for holding a remote outpost on a hill in Lebanon called "Pumpkin."

Matti Friedman's first book, *The Aleppo Codex*, won the 2014 Sami Rohr Prize, the American Library Association's Sophie Brody Medal, the Canadian Jewish Book Award, and other honors. It was published in Israel, Australia, Holland, France, Germany, the Czech Republic, Russia, and South Korea.

