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### AUTHOR ON JEWISH REFUGEES WHO CHANGED THE WORLD COMES TO CARTER LIBRARY KATI MARTON TO DISCUSS HER BOOK "THE GREAT ESCAPE" AT FREE BOOK-SIGNING

ATLANTA, GA.- Bestselling journalist Kati Marton tells the incredible stories of nine Hungarian Jews who fled from the Nazis and ended up having a major impact on the world at the Carter Presidential Library. Marton will speak and sign copies of her book "The Great Escape: Nine Jews Who Fled Hitler and Changed the World," at 7:30 p.m. Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. The Carter Presidential Library lecture and book-signing is free and open to the public. Barnes and Noble will have copies of Marton's book for sale at the event. Marton's appearance is co-sponsored by the Georgia Center for the Book.

#### **Kati Marton**

*The Great Escape: Nine Jews Who Fled Hitler and Changed the World*

**Author Lecture & Book Signing**

**7:30 p.m. Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Carter Presidential Library**

Publishers Weekly writes "The nine illustrious Hungarians she profiles were all "double outsiders," for, as well as being natives of a "small, linguistically impenetrable, landlocked country," they were all Jews. Fleeing fascism and anti-Semitism for the New World, each experienced insecurity, isolation and a sense of perpetual exile. Yet all achieved world fame. The scientists Leo Szilard, Edward Teller and Eugene Wigner, along with game theorist and computer pioneer, John von Neuman, spurred Albert Einstein to persuade Franklin Roosevelt to develop the atomic bomb. Robert Capa and Andre Kertesz became legendary photojournalists. Alexander Korda was the savior of the British film industry, and Michael Curtiz directed *Casablanca*. Arthur Koestler penned the monumental anti-Communist novel *Darkness at Noon*. Marton intricately charts each man's career in the context of WWII and Cold War history."

Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel says "Kati Marton's wonderful book celebrates what is glorious and eternal in the human condition." Tom Brokaw said "Kati Marton tells this astonishing story with grace and passion, a sharp eye for telling detail and the broad sweep of history."

Marton was born in Hungary and escaped to the United States after the failed 1956 Hungarian Revolution. She is the author of the New York Times bestseller "Hidden Power" and is an award-winning journalist.

Kati Marton's lecture and book-signing is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov](http://www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov) or call 404-865-7109.