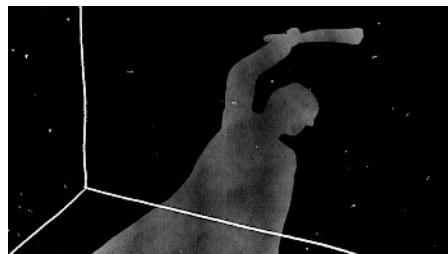




# THE JOURNALIST AND HER JAILERS

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## SYNOPSIS

Luna Watfa, a journalist and former political prisoner living in exile in Germany, reports on the men charged with mass detention and torture in Assad's prisons, at the world's first trial against members of the Syrian regime, for crimes against humanity.

The Journalist and Her Jailers explores what this local court in Germany can really accomplish. Can it actually provide some measure of justice for Luna Watfa and the tens of thousands of Syrians who have been detained, tortured and disappeared by Bashar al-Assad's government, and thereby perhaps even provide a blueprint for future war crimes prosecutions worldwide? To engage with this question, Luna must first seek to understand what justice even means in this context, for the plaintiffs, witnesses, the defendants- and for herself. [IDFA, Docs for sale]

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