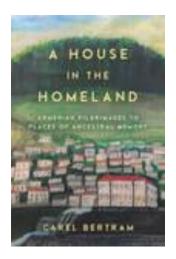


## ARMENIAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION OF RHODE ISLAND

## Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM eastern-US Zoom Presentation A House in the Homeland: Armenian Pilgrimages to Places of Ancestral Memory



## A Lecture by Carel Bertram, PhD

Between 2007 and 2015, Carel Bertram traveled with hundreds of Armenians from the diaspora who traveled to Historical Armenia in search of the towns and villages that had been the homes of their own parents and grandparents, survivors of the Armenian genocide of 1915. Her book chronicles their fraught searches, as they carried stories bursting with emotions: yearning, mourning, excitement, pride, love, loss and rage.

Today's talk will focus on how the title became "A *House* in the Homeland," as Bertram describes how these travelers always held a hope of finding their ancestral house, which they considered their homeland's beating heart. Join us in this exploration of house and homeland, rupture and continuity with Armenian stories that reflect the resilience of diaspora in the face of the savage reaches of trauma, separation, and exile.

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