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Dear Hadassah Friends,



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We've been talking recently about finding our voices. This week, I'd like to share excerpts from an essay by my good friend, Zieva Konvisser, who talks about her journey to become both a storylistener and storyteller and how through doing so, she found not just her voice, but a way to give voice to those who have been silenced through trauma.

Zieva is an extraordinary person. She is a PhD, an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at Wayne State University, and a Fellow of the Institute for Social Innovation at Fielding Graduate University. She is the author of *Living Beyond Terrorism: Israeli Stories of Hope and Healing* and the Oral Historian at the Zekelman Holocaust Center. She serves on the boards of numerous organizations dealing with psychotrauma and wrongful conviction. She calls the essay below "Bearing Witness".

Like so many of my generation, I grew up hearing the extraordinary stories of survivors of the Holocaust - in particular two of my mother's cousins who lived to tell their stories

Have a peaceful and restful Shabbat!

*Mandy*

Mandy Garver

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