

## February Italian Meeting

### “Literary Perspectives on World War II and the Italian Resistance”

Presented by Cecilia Stretto, UW

Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 6:30 pm Headquarters House

Cecilia Stretto will describe some crucial events of Italian History during WWII focusing on those that led to the civil war and to the Partisans' Resistance. She will discuss how authors have transformed their experience's in the resistance into works of literature and how that period of national struggle is perceived and discussed in Italy today.



Cecilia Stretto is an instructor of Italian language, culture and literature with over two decades of educational experience in Italy and the US. She joined the University of Washington in 2013 where she has taught language classes for the French and Italian Department. Cecilia also collaborates with the UW Honors program developing interdisciplinary seminars about Italian literature, with a focus on World War II and the Italian Resistance.

Among the books Ms. Stretto will discuss are *L'Agnese va a morire* by Renata Viganò and *Uomini e No* by Elio Vittorini.