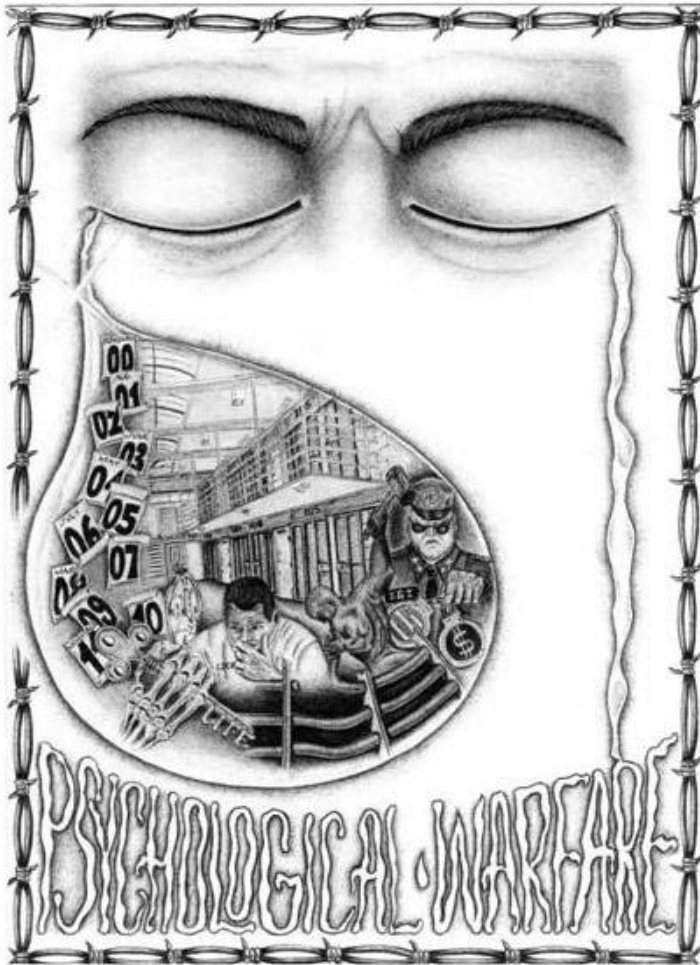


# **SOLITARY CONFINEMENT: IS IT TORTURE?**



**Join us as we explore this issue as it pertains to California and the world.**

In July 2011, over 6600 prisoners went on hunger strike to protest the conditions and policies surrounding the use of solitary confinement in California's state prisons. The Prisoner Hunger Strike Solidarity Coalition invites you to a discussion with folks who've been engaged with this issue on multiple fronts.

**Marjorie Cohn** is a Professor at Thomas Jefferson School of Law and past president of the National Lawyers Guild.

**Marie Levin** is a member of the Prisoner Hunger Strike Solidarity Coalition and sister of Sitawa Nantambu Jamaa, a plaintiff in the class action suit against solitary confinement at Pelican Bay State Prison.

**Sarah Shourd** is a writer and international solidarity activist who was held in solitary confinement in Iran for 410 days.

**Manuel La Fontaine** is a staff organizer for Legal Services for Prisoners with Children/All of Us or None.

**After the discussion, Marjorie Cohn will be signing copies of her new book, *The United States and Torture: Interrogation, Incarceration and Abuse***

**Monday, July 16, 2012 7:00-8:30 pm**

**The Eric Quezada Center for Culture and Politics**

**518 Valencia Street, SF, CA 94110**

**One block from 16<sup>th</sup> St. BART / wheelchair accessible**

**Sliding scale donation \$5 - 10 (no one turned away)**

This event is co-sponsored by American Friends Service Committee, All of Us or None, California Prison Focus, Campaign Against the Death Penalty, Critical Resistance, Legal Services for Prisoners with Children, National Lawyers Guild BayArea Chapter and the Prison Activist Resource Center. For more info: [www.prisonerhungerstrikesolidarity.wordpress.com](http://www.prisonerhungerstrikesolidarity.wordpress.com)