

The Trump Era: Alternative Facts Confront Journalists with Unprecedented Challenges and Opportunities

A Keynote Speech by the veteran CNN International Anchor and Emmy Award Winner, Mr. Jim Clancy

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About the Speech

The veteran CNN International anchor and Emmy Award Winner, Mr. Jim Clancy, will focus on the contemporary state of mass media and journalism by illustrating that journalists have the opportunity of a lifetime to define what Freedom of the Press really means in America and why it is the vital component in our democracy. He will also address other related issues, including how the media should respond to such accusations as being "liars," "dishonest," "the Opposition Party," and blocked from access to White House Officials. Clancy believes that under these unprecedented circumstances, journalists must take up one of the pressing challenges of our time.

About Jim Clancy

Jim Clancy brings the experience of more than three decades covering the world to every project he engages. He didn't just read about the collapse of Communism, the fall of the Berlin Wall, the siege of Beirut, the Rwanda Genocide, or all of the Iraq wars. He was there. His illustrious career includes award-winning reporting on the events that have shaped modern history. In his 34 years with CNN, Clancy took viewers to places all over the world from Cape Town to Reykjavik and Beirut to Seoul. He engages journalism students, moderates debates and speaks to the challenges facing today's reporters.

He is no stranger to dictators, demagogues and false prophets. His reporting helped drive Rev. Jim Jones out of San Francisco. His unrelenting questions have gotten him thrown out of press conferences. Clancy reported how "Communists posing as Nationalists" pushed the former Yugoslavia into all out civil war. His list of interviews reads like a "Who's Who" of our times.

Clancy was a CNN international correspondent in the Beirut, Frankfurt, Rome and London bureaus. He won the George Polk Award for his reporting on the genocide in Rwanda, the Alfred I. DuPont Award for coverage of the war in Bosnia and an Emmy Award for reporting on the famine and international intervention in Somalia. In 2012, he won a national Emmy Award for his anchoring of the sudden resignation of President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt.

The Keynote Speech is Scheduled for Thursday, April 6, 2017, 6:00 p.m. Sheraton Hotel Greensboro