

UCSB Center for Cold War Studies and International History
presents a free public talk by

Elizabeth McGuire

Associate Professor of History, California State University, East Bay



MYSTERY CHILDREN:

The Stasova International Children's Home During Stalin's Purge



Drawing on her current book project, *Communist Neverland*, Elizabeth McGuire tells the story of the Stasova International Children's Home, an elite orphanage and boarding school for the children of Communist Party leaders from all parts of the globe. Through dozens of first-person interviews, she investigates how the fierce struggle for world communism looked through the eyes of children, and how they became symbols, pawns, and victims in the violent geopolitics of the world around them.

Monday, February 12, 4 pm, HSSB 6020