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**Date**

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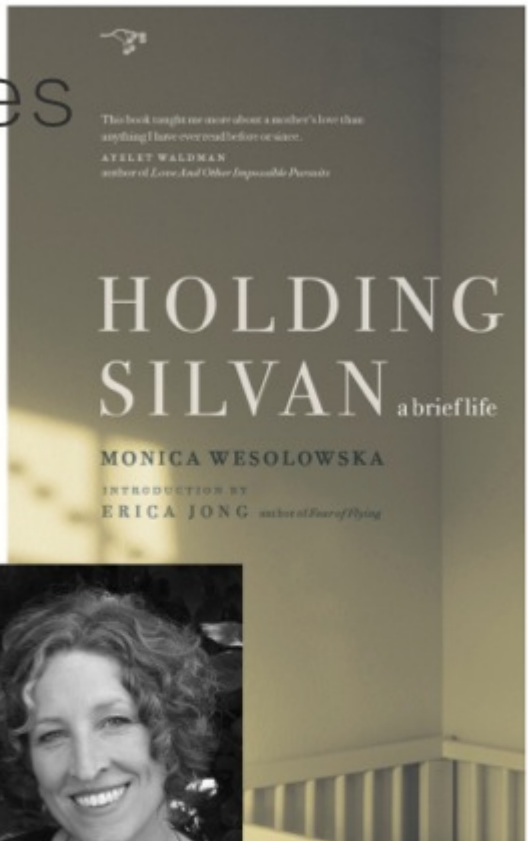
**Location**

UCSF Parnassus HSW-302 (Food and Refreshments provided)

# Medical Humanities Grand Rounds

with  
Monica Wesolowska and  
Elizabeth Scarboro

elizabeth scarboro  
*my foreign cities*



## Slowing Down for Stories: Medical Crises from Patients' Perspectives

September 25<sup>th</sup> 2014  
UCSF School of Medicine  
521 Parnassus Ave  
San Francisco, CA 94117  
Room: HSW-302  
12-1pm

- ❖ Ethical decisions
- ❖ Birth trauma
- ❖ Pediatrics
- ❖ Pain management
- ❖ Cystic fibrosis
- ❖ Organ transplantation
- ❖ Brain damage
- ❖ End-of-life care
- ❖ Family love

**Elizabeth Scarboro** is the author of the memoir *My Foreign Cities*, which was chosen as a *San Francisco Chronicle* Lit Pick, a *Library Journal* Best Memoir of 2013, and the winner of the 2014 Chautauqua Prize. *My Foreign Cities* chronicles Scarboro's marriage to her first husband Stephen, who had cystic fibrosis, and received a double-lung transplant at UCSF in 1997. Scarboro is honored to speak at UCSF, where her husband received many years of excellent medical care, and which the couple considered a kind of second home. She is also the author of essays appearing in *The New York Times*, *The Telegraph*, *The Bellevue Literary Review*, and *The Huffington Post*.

**Monica Wesolowska** is the author of the memoir *Holding Silvan: A Brief Life* which was named a "Best Book of 2013" by both *The Boston Globe* and *Library Journal* and is forthcoming in German and Polish. *Holding Silvan* explores the love and ethics behind choosing to withdraw medical support from a newborn son who was brain damaged during labor. She's published fiction and nonfiction in