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Surviving Dictatorship in Communist Albania Shannon Woodcock

Life is War: Surviving Dictatorship in Communist Albania features six intimate interviews with women and men who survived Enver Hoxha's communist regime. The book reveals how everyday people survived political persecution and oppression, and champions human resilience in the face of unrelenting political terror.

"Life is War is unparalleled in its redemptive character as far as the victims of Albanian communism are concerned. Through the act of narration this book redeems the stories and lives of its characters, which would have otherwise perished in oblivion," **Blendi Kajsiu**.

"This is a powerful book about the intensity and imagination of story telling. Woodcock's detailed descriptions create a vivid picture of the Albanian landscape, the enduring legacy of dictatorship and hardship in the lives and struggles of people today," **Carrie Hamilton**.

Shannon Woodcock has published widely in recent Romanian and Albanian history, particularly the history of anti-Romani racism in Romania, post-socialist discourses of sexuality as identity in Eastern Europe, and the history of everyday life in Albania under Enver Hoxha (1945-1985).

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