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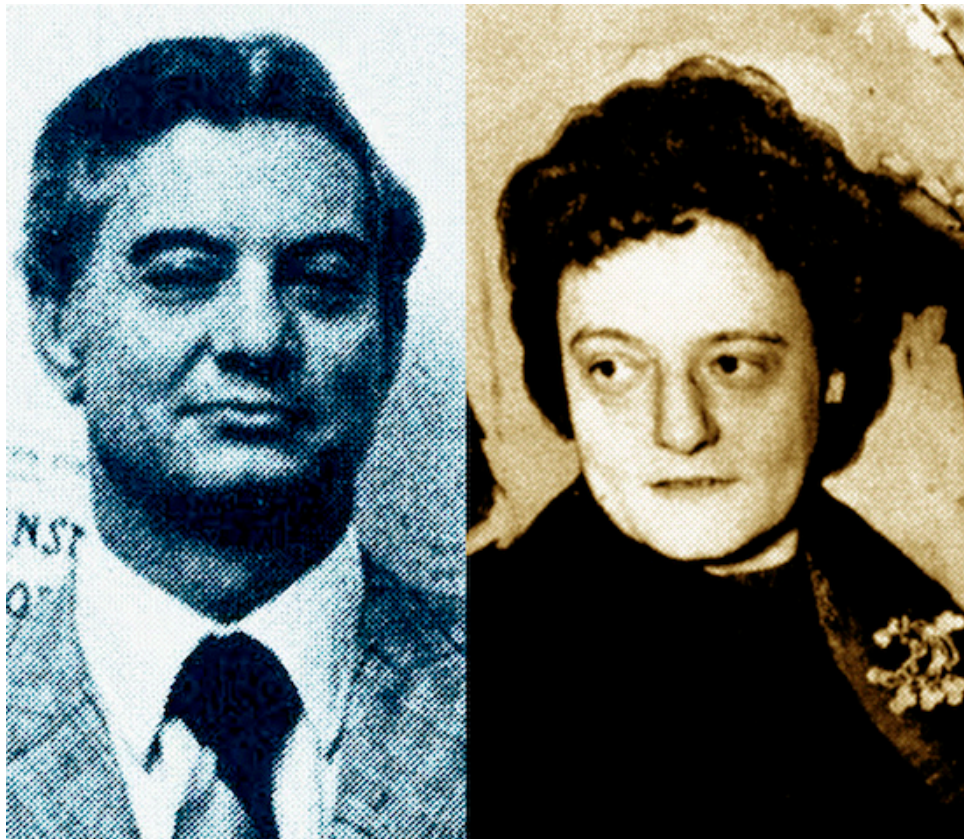
*The Ethyle R. Wolfe Institute for the Humanities,  
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## The Peter Zaneteas Award Ceremony

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# The Riddle of the Labyrinth



Peter Zaneteas (1926-2009)

Alice Elizabeth Kober (1906-1950)

The late Peter Zaneteas was a dedicated scholar and inspiring educator. In his honor, his family and friends created this award for a senior going on to graduate study in classics. This year's award ceremony includes a reading by Margalit Fox from her book, *The Riddle of the Labyrinth*, about the work of the late Alice Elizabeth Kober, a classics professor at Brooklyn College whose methodical approach to what became known as Minoan Linear B laid the groundwork that allowed Michael Ventris to decipher the mysterious writing discovered in Crete in 1900 by archaeologist Arthur Evans. "Because Kober was a woman, and because of her own untimely death - just two years before the riddle of the script was solved, her contributions have long been forgotten," says Fox, the first journalist or scholar allowed to make full use of Kober's massive archive.

**Margalit Fox** is an award-winning journalist and a senior writer at the *New York Times*. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees in linguistics from Stony Brook University and a master's in journalism from Columbia University. Her previous book, *Talking Hands: What Sign Language Reveals About the Mind*, takes readers to an isolated village whose residents use a sign language unlike any other in the world, and has been praised by the *Washington Post*, the Associated Press, and *Nature*.

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**Thursday, May 9, 2013**  
**12:15 to 2:15 p.m.**  
**Woody Tanger Auditorium**  
**Brooklyn College Library**

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