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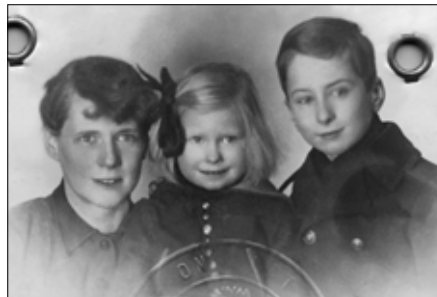
# WORLD WAR II BEGINS —

**A working mother with two young children brings to life the first six months of the war.**

“The German army has crossed our frontiers at almost every point early this morning.”

With this terse announcement by her boss, World War II began for Rulka Langer.

Langer was a Warsaw career woman, wife and mother of two young children, Polish born and bred, and a graduate of Vassar College in the U.S. With her brilliant eye for detail and her fresh and lively storytelling, she vividly brings to life the opening chapter of the titanic struggle between good and evil that ultimately engulfed the world.



Rulka Langer, daughter Ania (age 3), son George (age 8), circa Feb. 1940



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**Approx. Program Length:** 1 hour.

**Program Format:** Multimedia—includes Power Point with historic photos, maps and other illustrations; screening of 10-minute Academy Award-nominated historic newsreel *SIEGE* with original film footage of the Siege of Warsaw, September 1939, and other short historical videos; dramatic readings from the book.

**Presenter:** Aquila Polonica publisher Terry Tegnazian, alone or with an actress. (Ms. Tegnazian is based in Los Angeles.)

**Past Venues Include:** The Polish Embassy in Ottawa, Canada; the Polish Consulate in Montreal, Canada; Los Angeles Public Library; Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles.