



## Laura Ling

Laura Ling is the host and reporter on E! Investigates, a documentary series on the E! Network, which explores topics such as teen suicide and the challenges faced by military spouses.

Before E! Network Ling served as Vice President of Current TV's journalism department and created Current's weekly investigative documentary series Vanguard. She was a correspondent reporting on crucial issues from around the world. She has reported from dozens of countries and has covered subjects including slave labor in the Amazon, Mexico's drug war, Internet censorship in China, and women's rights in Turkey.

In March 2009, while reporting on the trafficking of North Korean women, Ling was detained by North Korean soldiers along the Chinese-North Korean border. She and her colleague Euna Lee were arrested and held captive for 140 days. While fearing she might never see her family again, Ling was able to maintain hope during that terrifying time, and eventually win back her freedom. She has since sought to shine a light on the issue of trafficked women as well as to bring greater attention to the plight of other imprisoned journalists around the world.

Ling's long list of accomplishments also include producing reports from around the globe for Channel One News, co-creating Breaking it Down, a documentary series on MTV, and she has also appeared on ABC's Nightline, NBC, PBS, and the WB.

She's the co-author of Somewhere Inside: One Sister's Captivity in North Korea and the Other's Fight to Bring Her Home, that she penned with sister Lisa.