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November 1-9, 2011

Holocaust Education Week

I am honoured to extend my heartfelt greetings to everyone participating in the 31st annual Holocaust Education Week.

The Holocaust was not just a crime against a specific group of people; it was a crime against humanity. It was also a betrayal of the most fundamental values of freedom, democracy, human rights and the rule of law. We have a collective duty to keep alive the memory of those who died and suffered during these dark days and to ensure all such atrocities are confronted in our world today. This edifying week of learning and activities is a special opportunity to impart the tragic lessons of the Holocaust to new generations.

I commend the Holocaust Education and Memorial Centre of Toronto (UJA Federation) for its outstanding leadership in organizing this week’s educational programs. By bringing the accounts of survivors to people of all faiths and cultures, your efforts honour their legacy of courage, strength and humanity. These personal stories, though marked by sorrow, suffering and loss, are ultimately accounts of endurance and hope. Education keeps belief in a better world burning brightly across the divides of time.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, please accept my best wishes for an enlightening week of education, memory and unity.

Sincerely,

Prime Minister of Canada
From UJA Federation of Greater Toronto

Now entering its 31st year, Holocaust Education Week is the largest and most dynamic Holocaust educational forum of its kind in the world. The impact of Holocaust Education Week has indeed been profound. Last year it engaged more than 34,000 participants of diverse backgrounds and generations. The unprecedented nature of the Holocaust and its consequences continue to reverberate across communities, cultures and generations.

Throughout the Greater Toronto Area and in Ontario regional communities, Holocaust Education Week educates, inspires and challenges Canadians to learn from the past and commit to building a strong future together. UJA Federation is proud to have the Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre as a member of our family, one that is dedicated to the creation and enhancement of the dynamic Jewish Community here in Toronto.

We invite you to participate fully in the week’s programmatic offerings, which include exhibits, cultural performances, lectures, film screenings and panel discussions. Focusing upon the theme of Accountability, in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the trial of Adolf Eichmann and the 65th anniversary of the first Nuremberg trials, Holocaust Education Week is a beacon of hope that compels all of us to learn from the past so that “Never Again” will have true meaning.

Be moved, be challenged and be part of Holocaust Education Week 2011.

B’Shalom,

Elizabeth Wolfe, Chair
Ted Sokolsky, President & CEO
UJA Federation of Greater Toronto

From the Chair

As the new Chair of the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre, I am proud to invite you to participate in the Centre’s signature annual program, Holocaust Education Week. Now in its 31st year, this renowned event is a testament in itself to the courage and determination of our community not only to remember the past, but to educate for the future. We offer multidisciplinary and multi-lingual programs designed to engage Canadians of different interests and generations.

Please join us: in synagogues, churches, universities, community venues, libraries, and theatres. Hear compelling testimonies from Holocaust survivor speakers. Learn with some of the leading national and international experts in the field. Experience transformational artistic reflections. And engage in meaningful discourse with fellow concerned citizens.

Holocaust Education Week is about ensuring that the lessons of the Holocaust serve to inspire a civil society. Its success is due to the vision and dedication of staff, volunteers, donors, partners, and participants. I hope to see you there.

Honey Sherman, Chair
Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre
From the Executive Director

For nine extraordinary days each November, thousands of people across the Greater Toronto Area and regional communities participate in diverse educational, cultural and community programs during the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre’s annual Holocaust Education Week.

This year, our theme is Accountability in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the trial of Adolf Eichmann, the SS officer who was a key figure in implementing the “Final Solution.” Captured by Israeli agents in Argentina, Eichmann stood trial in Jerusalem in a globally televised courtroom drama. Justice and not vengeance was asserted by the State of Israel in its determination to conduct a fair and transparent trial. Fifteen years after the groundbreaking Nuremberg verdicts, for which this year is the 65th anniversary, the Eichmann proceedings were further revolutionary in that survivor testimony was administered as evidence. Survivors confronted this perpetrator on behalf of their families and held him accountable in a court of law. The lessons and legacy of this event still resonate.

Join us for a week of programs reflecting not only upon the dramatic historical event of the trial but its implications for public discourse and public memory of the Holocaust; the nature of justice versus accountability; personal and collective responsibility; and, accountability today—for genocide prevention, human rights advocacy and civil society.

There are programs featuring presenters from international centres of excellence in a variety of formats including academic, literary, artistic, musical, theatrical and cinematic. We are honoured that our Scholar-in-Residence is Professor Michael R. Marrus, Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Professor Emeritus of Holocaust Studies at the University of Toronto. And this year we are delighted to inaugurate the HEW Educator-in-Residence for teachers and students with Kay Andrews of the Holocaust Education Development Programme at the Institute of Education, University of London.

We thank our volunteers, colleagues, partners, generous donors and ambassadors, without whom this event would not be possible. Special thanks go to HEW Co-Chairs, Annette Metz-Pivnick and Joyce Rifkind, as well as Neuberger Centre Chair, Honey Sherman, for their visionary leadership and to UJA Federation of Greater Toronto for its ongoing support.

Mira Goldfarb, Executive Director
Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre

From the Co-Chairs

On behalf of our devoted committee, loyal partners and sponsors, we welcome you to the 31st Anniversary of Holocaust Education Week (HEW).

Our theme of Accountability this year is in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of a pivotal moment in the history of Holocaust remembrance. Not only do we remember the Eichmann trial, but the horrific testimony, the words and memories of over 100 survivors, reach out to us from that courtroom a half century ago. The issues of justice and accountability continue to be enduring challenges in confronting the Holocaust. Our program this year features 130 multifaceted events; opportunities to reflect on the moral responsibility past and present of individuals, groups and governments.

We are proud to welcome Dr. Michael R. Marrus, Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Professor Emeritus of Holocaust Studies, University of Toronto, as our 2011 Scholar-in-Residence, and Kay Andrews of the Holocaust Education Development Programme at the Institute of Education, University of London, as our Educator-in-Residence.

We thank our dedicated committee members for their support and contributions to this important project. We are also deeply grateful to our community partners and generous sponsors. Finally, we thank Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre Chair Honey Sherman, Executive Director Mira Goldfarb, and colleagues Mary Siklos, Carson Phillips and Rachel Libman for their vision and tireless efforts.

Annette Metz-Pivnick & Joyce Rifkind
2011 HEW Co-Chairs
Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre

From the Christian Jewish Dialogue of Toronto

“The opposite of love is not hate; it is indifference” (Elie Wiesel).

It is vitally important to learn about past events like the Holocaust to enlighten and frighten us, but most importantly, to encourage us to make moral choices in today’s world. This year’s topic, ‘accountability,’ is one we must collectively and individually not just reflect on, but act upon. The Christian Jewish Dialogue of Toronto Holocaust Education Committee and the participating churches are honoured to again play a role in this important event.

Audrey Gerwing & Joan Shapero
Christian Jewish Dialogue of Toronto
Court Scene in the Eichmann Trial, Jerusalem, Israel. Yad Vashem Photo Archive.
The capture of SS Lieutenant Colonel Adolf Eichmann by Israeli agents in Argentina in May of 1960 and his subsequent trial in Jerusalem by an Israeli court electrified the world. The public debate it sparked on where, how, and by whom Nazi war criminals should be brought to justice, and the international media coverage of the trial itself, was a watershed moment in how the civilized world in general and Holocaust survivors in particular found the means to deal with the legacy of genocide on a scale that had never been seen before. Award-winning historian Deborah E. Lipstadt will give an overview of the trial and analyze the dramatic effect that the survivors’ courtroom testimony had on a world that had until then regularly commemorated the Holocaust but never fully understood what the millions who died and the hundreds of thousands who managed to survive had actually experienced. As the world continues to confront the ongoing reality of genocide and ponder the fate of those who survive it, this trial of the century, which has become a touchstone for judicial proceedings throughout the world, offers a legal, moral, and political framework for coming to terms with unfathomable evil.

The author will be available for book signing after the lecture.

Dr. Lipstadt is Director of the Rabbi Donald A. Tam Institute for Jewish Studies and Dorot Professor of Modern Jewish and Holocaust Studies at Emory University, Atlanta. A historical consultant to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, she is former Judith B. and Burton P. Resnick Invitational Scholar at the Museum’s Center, Member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, and Member and Chair Emeritus of the Council’s Academic Committee.

Dr. Lipstadt will be introduced by HEW Scholar-in-Residence, Dr. Michael R. Marrus, Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Professor Emeritus of Holocaust Studies at the University of Toronto. For Dr. Marrus’ bio, see page 9. Former ambassador of The Netherlands to Canada, Karel de Beer, 2011–2012 Chair of the Task Force for International Cooperation on Holocaust Education, Remembrance, and Research (ITF), will deliver official greetings to the 2011 Holocaust Education Week.

The Task Force for International Cooperation on Holocaust Education, Remembrance, and Research is an intergovernmental body whose purpose is to place political and social leaders’ support behind the need for Holocaust education, remembrance, and research both nationally and internationally. Initiated by Swedish Prime Minister Göran Persson in 1998, the Task Force currently has 28 member states. Canada joined in 2009. Several of its delegates will be participating in Holocaust Education Week 2011.

Opening Night is generously co-sponsored by The Ganz Family Charitable Foundation, who are proud to support Holocaust Education Week. As a multi-generational family of Holocaust survivors, they feel it is their duty to ensure that the tragedies of the Holocaust are never forgotten.

We also thank the Gottesman family for their support of this program in memory of Carol & Herman Gottesman.
Hannah Arendt Denkraum: A documentation of the Berlin exhibit on the political philosopher

In 2006, to mark the 100th anniversary of Hannah Arendt’s birth, a team of political scientists, philosophers and academics organised a comprehensive exhibit in the former Jewish girls’ school in Berlin, the city she left in 1933. They called it Hannah Arendt Denkraum (thinking space). The exhibit commemorated Hannah Arendt’s political thought and visualised the continuing relevance of her political, philosophical and literary work through contemporary art. Hannah Arendt’s reporting during the Eichmann Trial triggered international debate and controversy that contributed—particularly in Germany—to changing the ways the country confronted its past.

This exhibit is presented by the Consulate of the Federal Republic of Germany, Toronto, and co-sponsored by Miele, Canada.

25 OCTOBER – 1 DECEMBER, 2011
CONSULATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, TORONTO
2 BLOOR STREET EAST | 25TH FLOOR | TORONTO | 416–925–2813
MONDAY TO THURSDAY 9 AM–5 PM | FRIDAY 9 AM–2 PM

Janusz Korczak and the Children of the Warsaw Ghetto

In August 1942, Dr. Janusz Korczak, a Polish-Jewish author, paediatrician and educator, was forced to gather the nearly 200 orphans under his care in the Warsaw Ghetto. Refusing offers for his own safety, he accompanied them with quiet dignity to Treblinka, where they perished together. Janusz Korczak left a legacy of humanitarian idealism about children’s rights. Born Henryk Goldszmit, he established orphanages where he experimented with progressive ideas. In these “children’s republics,” he encouraged youth to govern themselves and granted them as much independence as possible.

Produced by the Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre, this exhibition is presented in honour of Holocaust Education Week by the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre, the Miles Nadal JCC and Facing History and Ourselves.


For Gallery information and group tours, please contact Deanna Di Lello at deannad@mnjcc.org.

Exhibition presented with the generous sponsorship of the ShaRna Foundation.

3 NOVEMBER – 2 DECEMBER, 2011
SARAH AND CHAIM NEUBERGER HOLOCAUST EDUCATION CENTRE
FACING HISTORY AND OURSELVES & THE GALLERY @ THE MILES NADAL JCC | 750 SPADINA AVENUE TORONTO | 416–924–6211

The Dream Fulfilled: Theodor Herzl and the Jewish State

The Dream Fulfilled: Theodor Herzl and the Jewish State is an exhibit at The Morris & Sally Justein Heritage Museum at Baycrest focusing on the founder of the Zionist movement’s vision and the methods to achieve statehood. Concerned for the future of Jewish life in Europe at the close of the 19th century, Herzl put the issue of antisemitism on the world agenda for consideration and resolution, and created a democratic organization (the World Zionist Organization) and an elected Jewish parliament (the Zionist Congress) to pursue his goal. The artefacts and archival material in the exhibit illustrate how Herzl harnessed the power of his idea to inspire a people, creating a movement that survived his sudden passing at the age of 44, and ultimately resulting in the creation of the State of Israel approximately fifty years after his book, The Jewish State, was published. The exhibit features over 400 items from the personal Herzl collection of David Matlow.

ON VIEW THROUGH 30 APRIL, 2012
THE MORRIS AND SALLY JUSTEIN HERITAGE MUSEUM AT BAYCREST
3560 BATHURST STREET | TORONTO | 416–785–2500 × 2802
SUNDAY TO THURSDAY 9 AM–4 PM | NO CHARGE

During Holocaust Education Week, Canadian Society for Yad Vashem presents a special exhibit from Israel: “With Me Here Are Six Million Accusers” (Gideon Hausner)—The Eichmann Trial in Jerusalem. For more information about the exhibit, call 416–785–1333.
Wednesday, 2 November

My Personal Testimony

Hedy Bohm was born in Oradea, Romania. In 1944, Hedy was deported from the local ghetto to Auschwitz-Birkenau. An only child, she saw her parents, many relatives and friends murdered by the Nazis. She was selected and shipped to Fallersleben, Germany, to work as a slave labourer at an ammunition factory. She was liberated by U.S. Forces in April 1945 and immigrated to Canada in August 1948.

10:00 AM | PARLIAMENT STREET LIBRARY
269 GERRARD STREET EAST | TORONTO | 416–313–7664

My Personal Testimony

Magda Hilf was born in Czechoslovakia in 1921. After the Nazi occupation in 1944, her family was driven to the nearby ghetto in Sátoraljaújhely, Hungary. Shortly after, they were deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau, where all were killed except for Magda, who was used for slave labour. In April 1945, she was forced onto a death march, but she and four friends managed to escape. One month later, they were liberated by the Soviet Red Army. Magda immigrated to Canada in 1953.

10:30 AM | MARKHAM VILLAGE LIBRARY
6031 HIGHWAY #7 | MARKHAM | 905–513–7977 × 4253

My Personal Testimony

Born in Antwerp, Belgium in 1936, Anne Eidlitz lived with her parents, Kiva and Liba Jacobowicz, and younger sister, Rosie. Anne’s father was deported in 1942, and the family went into hiding. After their mother was arrested by the Gestapo, Anne and her sister remained in hiding until they were smuggled into Switzerland. They returned to Belgium in 1946, and were adopted by an uncle and aunt. The sisters both immigrated to Canada in the early 1950s.

1:30 PM | ANSLEY GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY
350 ANSLEY GROVE ROAD | WOODBRIDGE | 905–653–7323 × 4404

My Personal Testimony

Born in Poland, Manny Langer was forced to live in the Lodz Ghetto before being transported to Auschwitz-Birkenau and Bergen-Belsen concentration camps. After liberation, he immigrated to Canada. Manny regularly volunteers as a survivor speaker at the Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre, UJA Federation of Greater Toronto.

1:30 PM | LOCKE PUBLIC LIBRARY
3083 YONGE STREET | TORONTO | 416–393–7731

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE

Eichmann and Israeli Jurisdiction in 1961: Unique Claim or International Precedent?

In May 1960, shortly after Adolf Eichmann was captured by Israeli agents in Buenos Aires and brought to Jerusalem, debate broke out in Israel and internationally about how he should be tried for his wartime crimes against Jews in Europe. Israeli Prime Minister David Ben Gurion spoke for the Jewish state. Among those with different views were the philosopher Martin Buber, Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress and the World Zionist Organization, and Hannah Arendt, the German-Jewish political philosopher who covered the trial for The New Yorker. When the trial began, Eichmann’s attorney Robert Servatius also forcefully challenged Israeli claims. On the fiftieth anniversary of Eichmann’s trial, this lecture will explore the legal basis for Israel trying the case in light of what has come to be called universal jurisdiction. HEW Scholar-in-Residence Michael R. Marrus will present this lecture.

Michael R. Marrus is the Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Professor Emeritus of Holocaust Studies and an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Toronto. Dr. Marrus explores the Holocaust, international human rights, and the relationship between law and history in his work. He is the author of many books on these and related subjects. Among them are Vichy France and the Jews (1981), with Robert O. Paxton, The Unwanted: European Refugees in the Twentieth Century (1985), The Nuremberg War Crimes Trial 1945–46: A Documentary History (1997) and most recently, Some Measure of Justice: The Holocaust Era Restitution Campaign of the 1990s (2009).

A Member of the Order of Canada and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, he has been a visiting fellow, lecturer and professor in North America, Europe, Israel, and South Africa. Dr. Marrus serves on the Academic Committee of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and was a member of the former International Catholic-Jewish Historical Commission to examine the role of the Vatican during the Holocaust.

Doors open 11:45 AM. Program begins promptly at 12:15 PM. Lunch Provided. Space is limited, registration is required. RSVP to Sandra Di Falco: sdifalco@stikeman.com or 416–869–7722.

The 2011 Scholar-in-Residence is generously sponsored by the families of Helena & Jeff Axler, Belinda Lang, Liliane & Gerry Glazer, Edie & the late Michael Glazer, in honour of Feiga and the late Mozes Glazer, Holocaust survivors.

12:00 NOON | STIKEMAN ELLIOTT LLP
5300 COMMERCE COURT WEST | 53RD FLOOR | TORONTO 416–869–7722
My Personal Testimony

Joe (Joseph) Leinburd was born in Suceava, Romania in 1922. In 1941, the Romanian Fascist Regime, collaborating with Nazi Germany, deported the entire Jewish population of Northern Bucovina and Bessarabia to Transnistria, an area in southwestern Ukraine. Miraculously, his entire family survived a death march from Moghilev to Murafa and was liberated in 1944. After spending two-and-a-half years in Displaced Persons camps, Joe and his wife immigrated to Canada in 1949.

2:00 PM | MOUNT PLEASANT LIBRARY
599 MOUNT PLEASANT ROAD | TORONTO | 416-393-7737

My Personal Testimony

Romani Holocaust survivor Maria Murzsa was born in Újfehértó, Hungary. When she was 13, the Gypsies (Roma) of the town were rounded up and forced into a ghetto. From there they were deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau. Men were sent to work and most of them were never seen again. Some women were “saved” as sex slaves for the Nazis. Maria was pregnant when she arrived to Auschwitz-Birkenau and when her baby was born, it was taken from her. Maria was liberated by the Soviet Red Army. She remained in Europe until 2007, when she was invited to speak at an international Holocaust conference in Montreal. She now lives in Toronto with her three daughters.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Sharon & Andrew Himel & family, in honour of all victims of persecution.

2:00 PM | SPADINA ROAD LIBRARY
10 SPADINA ROAD | TORONTO | 416-393-7666

The Italians and the Holocaust

Dr. Susan Zuccotti will present an overview of the persecution of Italian Jews leading up to and during the Second World War. Beginning in 1938, Italian Jewry was subjected to anti-Jewish laws—including the expulsion or internment of foreign Jews—which escalated when Italy entered the Second World War as Germany’s ally. Dr. Zuccotti will examine the responses of Jews and non-Jews to the Holocaust in Italy, and place them in the broader perspective of the Holocaust in other European countries. Following Dr. Zuccotti’s lecture, Italian Holocaust survivor Miriam Frankel will reflect on her personal experiences. Moderated by Dr. Domenico Pietropaolo, principal of St. Michael’s College and Goggio Chair of Italian Studies, University of Toronto.

Dr. Susan Zuccotti is the author of several award-winning books. She has taught Holocaust and general Western European history at Columbia, Barnard and Trinity Colleges. She is currently completing a biography of Père Marie Benoît (Padre Maria Benedetto), a French Capuchin priest and rescuer.

After their expulsion from their home in Fascist Italy, Miriam Frankel and her family found themselves trapped in Hungarian-occupied Czechoslovakia for the next four years. Her father was taken to a forced labour camp and when he returned, the family was deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau in May 1944. Surviving two additional concentration camps, Miriam was liberated in Salzwedel, Germany in April 1945. The sole survivor of her family, Miriam came to Canada as a Jewish war orphan in 1948.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Edie & Walter Arbib, Sam Ciccolini and the Consulate General of Italy.

6:00 PM | UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO | ST. MICHAEL’S COLLEGE
81 ST. MARY’S STREET | CHARBONNEL LOUNGE | TORONTO
416-926-2345

Weapons of the Spirit—How One Small French Town Saved Thousands of Jewish Lives

Weapons of the Spirit recounts the incredible story of how residents in the southern French town, Chambon-sur-Lignon, saved thousands of Jews during the Second World War. Many of the residents, proud descendants of the Huguenots, the first Protestants in Catholic France, remembered their own history of persecution. “The responsibility of Christians,” their pastor, André Trocmé, had reminded them the day after France surrendered to Nazi Germany, “is to resist the violence that will be brought to bear on their consciences through the weapons of the spirit.” Two survivors, Lucien and Cirlene Zinger, who were hidden by residents of Chambon-sur-Lignon will attend the program to share their personal stories.

This program is generously co-sponsored by The Apter Friendly Society.

7:00 PM | FIRST NARAYEVER CONGREGATION
187 BRUNSWICK AVENUE | TORONTO | 416-927-0546
Paragraph 175: Nazi Persecution of Homosexuals in World War II  

Film

The Nazi persecution of homosexuals may be one of the last untold stories of the Third Reich. Paragraph 175 fills a crucial gap in the historical record, and reveals the lasting consequences of this hidden chapter of 20th century history, as told through personal stories of men and women who lived through it. Between 1933 and 1945, approximately 100,000 men were arrested for homosexuality under Paragraph 175, the sodomy provision of the German penal code, dating back to 1871. Some were imprisoned, others were sent to concentration camps. Of the latter, only about 4,000 survived. Five of them came forward to tell their stories in this powerful film. Their moving testimonies tell a haunting, compelling story of human resilience in the face of unspeakable cruelty. Intimate in its portrayals, sweeping in its implications, Paragraph 175 raises provocative questions about memory, history and identity. (2000, English, German and French, 81 minutes)

Discussion after the film will be led by Dr. Aviva Goldberg, Assistant Professor in the Humanities Department at York University. Dr. Goldberg is Spiritual Leader and co-founder of Congregation Shir Libeynu.

7:00 PM | KULANU TORONTO
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF TORONTO
115 SIMPSON AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–819–7431

Getting It Right: Accurately Representing Canada’s Relationship to Nazi Germany

The relationship between Canada and Nazi Germany is a topic worthy of increased scholarly analysis. But scholars have to be cautious. It is all too easy to exaggerate, misrepresent, moralize or sensationalize this complex relationship. This session, chaired by Paul Shapiro of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, brings together historians and curators to discuss how they work to get it right. Panelists include Dr. Harold Troper, OISE/University of Toronto, Dr. Richard Menkis, University of British Columbia, Dr. Paula Draper, Holocaust historian and Ms. Frieda Miller, Executive Director, Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Judith & Martin Markus, in memory of their family members who perished in the Holocaust.

7:00 PM | LEAGUE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS OF B’NAI BRITH CANADA
NATIONAL TASK FORCE ON HOLOCAUST EDUCATION, REMEMBRANCE AND RESEARCH | 15 HOVE STREET | TORONTO | 416–633–6224 × 122

Unsung Holocaust Heroes

During the Holocaust, far too many people turned a blind eye to the suffering of their fellow Jewish citizens. Such behaviour assisted the Nazi plan for the “Final Solution.” Yet there were courageous people who chose to resist and amongst these were diplomats, some of whom disobeyed their superiors. Bernie M. Farber will explore this phenomenon, focusing primarily on the work of Chinese diplomat Dr. Feng Shan Ho. Along with others, including Japanese diplomat Sempo Sugihara and Portuguese diplomat Aristides de Sousa Mendes, he issued thousands of travel visas to desperate Jewish refugees.

Bernie M. Farber is one of Canada’s experts on antisemitism and human rights. Mr. Farber is currently on leave after spending more than 20 years with Canadian Jewish Congress, battling racism and strengthening relationships with police services, government and other communities across the country. He has been recognized with numerous awards for his leadership.

7:00 PM | RICHMOND HILL PUBLIC LIBRARY
1 ATKINSON STREET | RICHMOND HILL | 905–884–9288 × 307

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Trauma in the Aftermath of Genocide

The legacies of the Armenian genocide, the Holocaust and the Rwandan genocide continue to reverberate, not only impacting the lives of survivors but of subsequent generations. How do we address the trauma experienced by those who survive genocide? How do second and third generation survivors relate and integrate the experience of earlier generations? How can we best aid in the healing process of survivors, their children, and grandchildren? Dr. Robert Krell will give the keynote address, reflecting on the impact of his experience as a hidden child during the Holocaust. He will share insight on the treatment and healing of survivors of genocide as a psychiatrist whose practice was devoted to the care of Holocaust survivors as well as Dutch survivors of Japanese concentration camps. The keynote will be followed by a panel discussion with Raffi Sarkissian, whose grandfathers survived the Armenian genocide, and Régine King, a survivor of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda. Raffi and Régine will share their own perspectives on the legacy of individual and societal trauma experienced after genocide. Moderated by Dr. Joan Simalchik, Coordinator of the Study of Women and Gender Program at University of Toronto Mississauga and former Executive Director of the Canadian Centre for Victims of Torture.

Dr. Robert Krell is a professor emeritus of psychiatry at the University of British Columbia. He was hidden as a child in Holland during the Second World War. Dr. Krell has written about massive psychological trauma and its impact on Holocaust survivors. A former Chair of Canadian Jewish Congress-Pacific Region and CJC National Vice President, he is the founder of the Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre.

Régine King is a PhD candidate in the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work, University of Toronto, and a survivor of the 1994 Tutsi genocide in Rwanda. Her research interests are finding appropriate mental health approaches for survivors of massive violence and models leading to the reconstruction of healthy communities. Régine is a community activist on issues of genocide.

Raffi Sarkissian completed his undergraduate degree in History at York University, received his Bachelor of Education from Trent University and is currently a Master of Education candidate with York’s Faculty of Education. He is the Vice Principal at the ARS Armenian Private School.

The program is generously co-sponsored by the families of Annette Metz-Pivnick & Richard Pivnick, Vivian Metz & Gary Morris, Elizabeth Friesen, William Metz, Ruth & Robert Metz, Rosanne Metz and Chloe Metz in honour of Holocaust survivors George Metz and his cousin, Robert Krell.

7:30 PM | WILLIAM DOO AUDITORIUM, NEW COLLEGE
45 WILLCOCKS STREET | TORONTO | 416-901-3831

The Holocaust and Christian Responsibility

Traditional antisemitism is based on religious discrimination against Jews by Christians. Christian doctrine contained the idea that Jews were responsible for the death of Jesus, and claimed that Christianity had replaced Judaism. Reading of the Gospels in various denominations was accompanied by a refutation of Judaism, a theology that became a social force pushing Jews to the margins of society. However, Christian antisemitism was not the sole catalyst to the Holocaust. Today, Christians study the Holocaust, not only to find out what happened to Jews and other victims, but to find out what happened to Christians. How is it possible that Christians aided crimes against the Jewish people and humanity at-large? What is an appropriate Christian response to what took place?

Dr. Susanna Kokkonen is Director of the Christian Friends of Yad Vashem. Previously, she worked at the Embassy of Finland in Israel and, until recently, as the Political Director of various pro-Israel lobbies at EU institutions.

In partnership with International Christian Embassy Jerusalem--Canada

7:30 PM | GRACE CHURCH ON THE HILL
300 LONSDALE ROAD | TORONTO | 416–488–7884

Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today | P23
My Personal Testimony

Edward Fisch was born in Budapest in 1933. In 1942, his father was conscripted into the Slave Labour Battalion in Hungary; his mother was deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau in the spring of 1944. Together with his younger brother, he survived in Swiss protected houses, and then in the Budapest ghetto until liberation in January 1945. Edward’s mother survived but his father was murdered by the Arrow Cross. Edward immigrated to Canada in 1948.

10:00 AM | YORKVILLE LIBRARY
22 YORKVILLE AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–393–7791

Women in the Holocaust: My Personal Testimony

Judy Cohen will intertwine her personal experiences with a general history of the Holocaust that pays special tribute to women.

Judy Weissenberg Cohen was born in Debrecen, Hungary in 1928. She was deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1944 and survived Bergen-Belsen, a slave labour camp and a death march. She was liberated in 1945 and immigrated to Canada in 1948. Judy’s website, www.womenandtheholocaust.com, is an acclaimed scholarly resource.

This program is generously co-sponsored by The Joseph Gottdenker Family Foundation, in memory of the members of the Gottdenker and Zuckerbrot families who perished during the Holocaust, and those who miraculously survived but have since passed away.

10:00 AM | UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO MISSISSAUGA
WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES PROGRAM
3359 MISSISSAUGA ROAD NORTH | DAVIS (SOUTH) BUILDING ROOM 2074 | MISSISSAUGA | 905–569–4491

The Fate of the Roma During the Holocaust

This lecture will address the persecution of the Roma and Sinti by German and Austrian National Socialists and the circumstances which led to their deportation and murder in death camps. The presentation aims at integrating the history of this genocide within the wider frame of the Holocaust. Special emphasis will be given to the main institutions and persons responsible for initiating the persecution, implementing the anti-Gypsy policies and for organising the deportations and killings. New historical images will be presented during the lecture.

Dr. Gerhard Baumgartner is a historian, journalist and lecturer at the Joanneum University in Graz (Austria). He is the project leader of the Name-Database of Austrian Holocaust Victims among the Roma and Sinti and an Austrian delegate to the Task Force for International Cooperation on Holocaust Education, Remembrance and Research. He is the recipient of several awards and medals.

In partnership with the Toronto Roma Community Centre and Hillel of Greater Toronto.

11:00 AM | SENeca COLLeGE | KING CAMPUS
13990 DUFFERIN STREET | POD C | GARRIock HALL | KING CITY
416–491–5050 × 5273

Justice, Revenge, and Collective Guilt in the Postwar DP Camps

After liberation, Jewish Displaced Persons (DPs) were forced into everyday interactions with Germans and struggled between viewing all Germans as guilty or some as innocent. Some DPs put their trust in Allied justice, helping to interrogate prisoners and providing testimony at trials. Others sought revenge against known individuals but sometimes also against strangers.

Dr. Margarete Myers Feinstein is Research Scholar at the UCLA Center for the Study of Women. She has written extensively about Jewish displaced persons and postwar German national identity. Her recent book, Holocaust Survivors in Postwar Germany, 1945–1957, tells the remarkable story of a vibrant community of survivors rebuilding their lives.

Space is limited to 60 pre-registered guests. Reservations required: 416–966–0722 or meryle@advocatesforcivilliberties.org. This Business Lunch Lecture is co-presented by the Advocates for Civil Liberties. Luncheon is generously hosted by Miller Thomson LLP.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Honey & Jack Carr, in honour of her mother Bella Feldman and in memory of her father, Chaim Feldman.

12:00 NOON | CANADIAN JEWISH CIVIL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION
MILLER THOMSON LLP | SCOTIA PLAZA | 40 KING STREET WEST | #5800
TORONTO | 416–225–6166

My Personal Testimony

Born in 1928 in Chudlovo, Czechoslovakia, Arnold Friedman and his family were deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1944. His parents, younger brothers and sisters were all murdered. In January 1945, Arnold survived a death march to the Gross-Rosen and Dachau concentration camps. He was liberated in May 1945 by the U.S. Army. He immigrated to Scotland in 1946 and then to Canada with the assistance of Canadian Jewish Congress in 1947.

10:00 AM | SANDERSON PUBLIC LIBRARY
327 BATHURST STREET | TORONTO | 416–393–7653
Thursday, 3 November

My Personal Testimony

Shary Fine Marmor was born in Bistrica, Romania in 1927. She was deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau in early 1944, then transferred to Plaszow labour camp where she worked in the stone quarry, before being transferred back to Auschwitz-Birkenau. Later she was deported to the Stuttgart area in Germany, for slave labour. Shary survived the death march to the Alps and was liberated by the US 7th Army on April 29, 1945. She immigrated to Canada in 1948.

1:30 pm | THORNHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE PUBLIC LIBRARY
7755 BAYVIEW AVENUE | THORNHILL | 905–513–7977 × 3562

Corporate Complicity: German Business and the Holocaust

Professor Peter Francis Hayes, author of From Cooperation to Complicity: Degussa in the Third Reich and The Oxford Handbook of Holocaust Studies, will discuss how the behavior of German business leaders propelled corporate collaboration in the Holocaust. He will be joined by University of Toronto Professors Doris Bergen and Michael R. Marrus (Scholar-in-Residence, see page 9), both of whom are members of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum’s Academic Committee, for a stimulating discussion following his presentation.

Dr. Peter Hayes is Professor of History, Chair of the Department, and Theodore Zev Weiss Holocaust Educational Foundation Professor of Holocaust Studies at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. He is the author or editor of numerous books and published articles on German and Holocaust history.

Doris L. Bergen is the Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Chair of Holocaust Studies at the University of Toronto. Her research focuses on religion, gender, and ethnicity in the Holocaust and the Second World War. Her current projects include a book on German military chaplains in the Nazi era. She is a member of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum’s Academic Advisory Committee.

In partnership with Hillel of Greater Toronto.

2011 Scholar-in-Residence Michael R. Marrus is sponsored by Helena & Jeff Axler and families.

4:30 pm | UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO | 1 DEVONSHIRE PLACE
VIVIAN AND DAVID CAMPBELL CONFERENCE FACILITY AT THE MUNK SCHOOL FOR GLOBAL AFFAIRS | ROOM 154S TORONTO | 416–946–8901

Prisoner Number 143425

Prisoner number 143425: Those digits are still tattooed on Felix Opatowski’s left arm. At a young age, Opatowski was sent to the Lodz ghetto in Poland. For four years of the Nazi regime, he was sent from one concentration camp to the next, suffering from hunger and inhuman living and working conditions. In conversation with Rabbi Avraham Plotkin, Felix Opatowski will speak about his experience.

7:00 pm | CHABAD LUBAVITZ MARKHAM
83 GREEN LANE | THORNHILL | 905–886–0420

My Personal Testimony

Dr. Mladen Vranić was born in Zagreb in 1930. After Nazi Germany invaded Yugoslavia in April 1941, they permitted the fascist Ustaša organization to found an independent Croatia. Dr. Vranić was able to escape with his parents and grandmother to an Italian-controlled zone. After a year, they were sent to concentration camps under Fascist Italy’s jurisdiction. Dr. Vranić and his family managed to escape to the Island of Vis, which was occupied by Yugoslav partisans. Dr. Vranić immigrated to Canada in 1963 and began a distinguished career in diabetes research. In 2010, he received the Order of Canada.

1:30 pm | UNIONVILLE LIBRARY
15 LIBRARY LANE | UNIONVILLE | 905–513–7977 × 2182

My Personal Testimony

Howard Chandler was born in 1928 in Wierzbnik, Poland. He was a prisoner in Starachowice Labour Camp between 1942 and 1944, then in Auschwitz-Birkenau, Buchenwald and Theresienstadt between 1944 and 1945. He immigrated to Canada in 1947 as a war orphan with other children from England.

1:30 PM | WYCHWOOD LIBRARY
1431 BATHURST STREET | TORONTO | 416–393–7684

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WWW.HOLocaustEDUCATIONWEEK.COM
or call the hotline 416–631–5689
Choose Your Voice

Over one million students across Canada have learned about the Holocaust and antisemitism, thanks to a highly successful education program by FAST (Fighting Anti-Semitism Together). In response to the documented increase in vicious anti-Jewish incidents in Canada, FAST was established by Elizabeth Comper, a former teacher and Tony Comper, Immediate Past President and Chief Executive Officer, Bank of Montreal Financial Group. FAST is a coalition of non-Jews dedicated to funding education and projects that encourage non-Jews to speak out. Available free of charge to educators, “Choose Your Voice” was first launched in Ontario in 2005 and empowers students to speak out against all forms of discrimination. FAST won the prestigious Award of Excellence 2010 from the Canadian Race Relations Foundation in the category of Community.

Elizabeth and Tony Comper were recently appointed Members of the Order of Canada for their contributions to community and philanthropy. They will share their inspiring story of the dream and mission for FAST and how the program was developed. The powerful “Choose Your Voice” video will be shown, followed by essay readings by three winners of the Student Essay Contest taking place in GTA schools this fall. Complimentary copies of “Choose Your Voice” will be available for educators.

Recommended for educators and general public.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Annette Metz-Pivnick & Richard Pivnick & family in honour of George Metz, who survived the Holocaust, and in memory of his sister, Cesia, and other family members who perished in the Holocaust.

7:00 PM | FOREST HILL UNITED CHURCH
2 WEMBLEY ROAD | TORONTO | 416-783-0879

ARK: An Artist’s Account of the Jewish Museum in Prague and its Turbulent History

Melissa Shiff will present ARK, her video sculpture in Prague, and discuss her ideas about contemporary art and Holocaust memorialization. ARK, an outdoor art installation, was the keynote project of the Jewish Museum in Prague’s centennial celebration in 2006. ARK’s acrylic and aluminum skin displayed a continuous 3D video projection, telling the story of the museum and the Jewish community of Prague during the last century. Shiff’s creation symbolizes the Jewish museum as a contemporary Noah’s Ark. Accountable to both the past and the future, the Museum’s purpose is to safeguard cultural and religious treasures and memories. Saving what would otherwise be destroyed, ARK is a metaphor for the Prague Museum that was able to preserve thousands of objects during the Holocaust.

Melissa Shiff is a video, performance, and installation artist who specializes in utilizing Jewish myths, symbols and rituals in the service of social justice and activism as well as engaging with issues of cultural memory. Shiff is an Adjunct Professor in The Centre for Jewish Studies at the University of Toronto.

Limited seating; reservations required: info@oraynu.org or 416–385–3910.

7:00 PM | ORAYNU CONGREGATION FOR HUMANISTIC JUDAISM
DON HEIGHTS UNITARIAN CONGREGATION
18 WYNFORD DRIVE | #102 | TORONTO | 416–293–4221

“I am Witness”—Catholic Students and Holocaust Memory: Accountability through Education

This presentation features Holocaust survivor Max Eisen in dialogue with students and educators from the York Catholic District School Board. Max has not only been an inspiring witness for students, but has been instrumental in the development of Holocaust education in York Catholic schools, including preparing a group of students and educators for their trip to Auschwitz-Birkenau. He will share his story and challenge participants to be accountable through education. Students and staff will recount their efforts and experiences through drama, public speaking, poetry, music and personal reflection. All are welcome.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Ivy & Max Eisen and family & Anita Ekstein and family.

7:00 PM | YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE
525 NEW WESTMINSTER DRIVE | THORNHILL | 905–882–1460
Thursday, 3 November

The Judges are their Brothers: Jewish Courts in Postwar Germany, 1945–1949

In the Displaced Persons (DP) camps, Jewish courts demonstrated the determination of Holocaust survivors to define their community as civilized and morally superior to the Germans. Trials of Kapos and ghetto police emphasized the exceptionality of the collaborators, contrasting it with the decency of the majority of survivors. Such trials symbolized Jewish victory over the Germans and their accomplices, while helping to create a national consciousness among the Jewish survivors.

Dr. Margarete Myers Feinstein will explore these themes in her lecture.

For a complete bio, see page 13.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Bonnie & Larry Moncik and Eleanor & George Getzler and their families, in loving memory of their parents Abraham & Ida Moncik.

7:30 PM | BETH DAVID B’NAI ISRAEL BETHAM
55 YEOMANS ROAD | TORONTO | 416–633–5500

The Fate of European Roma and Sinti during the Holocaust

In this lecture, Dr. Gerhard Baumgartner will attempt to explain the historical roots of the widespread prejudices against Roma in many European countries during the interwar years. He will demonstrate that discrimination and persecution actually began long before the National Socialist ascent to power in 1933—but National Socialist racism and the Nazi policy of “crime prevention” added a new and deadly element to the persecution of the Roma and Sinti. Dr. Baumgartner will cover the main stages of Roma and Sinti persecution and the circumstances which lead to their final deportation and murder in death camps. The presentation aims at integrating the history of this genocide within the wider frame of the Holocaust, pointing out similarities and crucial differences. New historical images will be used to illustrate this tragic history. These pictures will help to give concrete faces to the victims who for the most part have remained unknown and unidentified for more than 70 years.

For Dr. Gerhard Baumgartner’s bio, see page 13.

In partnership with the Toronto Roma Community Centre.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Zukunftsfonds der Republic Österreich with the Consulate General of Austria.

7:30 PM | ST. GABRIEL’S PASSIONIST PARISH (R.C.)
670 SHEPPARD AVENUE EAST | TORONTO | 416–221–8866

It Happened in Italy: Untold Stories of How the People of Italy Defied the Horrors of the Holocaust

The author of this book will address her discovery that her grandparents’ small village, nestled in the heart of southern Italy, housed an internment camp for Jews during the Holocaust, and that it was far from the only one. Elizabeth Bettina has travelled to Italy five times with Holocaust survivors—brining them back to the villages where they were interned. There, the survivors met with the people or the children of those who helped save their lives. One of her trips included a private audience with Pope Benedict XVI.

Elizabeth Bettina graduated from Smith College (Massachusetts) with a degree in Economics and Italian Literature. Since 2006, her focus has been researching Italian Holocaust survivors.

In partnership with Christian Jewish Dialogue of Toronto.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Cindy & Larry Turk and family, in memory of Phillip Turk and Sala & Leib Unger.

8:00 PM | COLUMBUS CENTRE
901 LAWRENCE AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–789–7011

Janusz Korczak and the Children of the Warsaw Ghetto | P8
Nicholas Winton: The Power of Good  
**FILM**

This documentary tells the story of Nicholas Winton who managed to save 669 endangered children (most of them Jewish). In 1939, convinced that war was imminent, Winton organized eight rescue missions of children to Great Britain. The final train, carrying 250 children, was scheduled to leave September 1, 1939 but never did. Hitler’s troops invaded Poland that same day and the borders were closed. Matej Minac’s film is narrated by Joe Schlesinger, one of “Nicky’s Children.” (2002, English and Czech with subtitles, 64 minutes)

Joan Shapero, co-chair of the Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto’s Holocaust Remembrance Committee, will moderate the discussion after the screening.

Parking available at rear of building.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Wendy & Elliot Eisen, to educate present and future generations about the horrors of the Holocaust—a profound responsibility.

1:30 PM | HAZELTON PLACE RETIREMENT RESIDENCE  
111 AVENUE ROAD | TORONTO | 416–928–0111

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My Personal Testimony

Born in 1927 in Nádudvar, Hungary, **Leslie Meisels** lived with his parents, two brothers and both sets of grandparents. He survived the ghetto in Debrecen, slave labour and the eventual deportation to Bergen-Belsen. He was liberated in April 1945 by the U.S. Army. His mother, father and both brothers also survived. Leslie immigrated to Canada in 1967.

1:30 PM | WESTON LIBRARY | 2 KING STREET | TORONTO | 416–394–1017

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My Personal Testimony

**Herbert Goldstein** was born in Stanislawow, Poland in 1924 and moved to Germany in 1926 with his family. After witnessing Kristallnacht in 1938, his father, a decorated First World War veteran, managed to secure escape from Germany for Herb and his brother on the Kindertransport. They took refuge in England. Herb eventually joined the British Royal Navy and then immigrated to Canada in 1947.

2:00 PM | FOREST HILL LIBRARY  
700 EGLINTON AVENUE WEST | TORONTO | 416–393–7707

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My Personal Testimony

**Andy Réti** was born in Budapest, Hungary in 1942. He survived in the Budapest Ghetto together with his mother and paternal grandmother. His father was murdered in a forced labour camp. Andy and his remaining family were liberated in January 1945. In October 1956, during the Hungarian Revolution, mother and son were able to escape and immigrate to Canada. Andy feels that his life only started at age 14 when he arrived in Canada.

2:00 PM | HIGH PARK LIBRARY  
228 RONCESVALLES AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–393–7671

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Schindler and the Others: Saving the Jews of Krakow

Aleksander Skotnicki will discuss the exceptional acts of Oscar Schindler and other Germans and Poles in saving their fellow Jewish citizens of prewar Poland. Through his protective actions, Oscar Schindler saved more than 1,000 Jews, creating what is referred to as “Schindler’s List” or “the list of life,” in Plaszów. This was done only 60 km from the Auschwitz-Birkenau death camp and despite the 20,000 Germans stationed in Kraków. Particular interest is paid to the survivors’ testimonies and their tributes to those who saved them. The presentation also focuses on Amon Leopold Göth, commandant of the Nazi concentration camp at Plaszów, and liquidator of the Jewish ghettos in Kraków and Tarnów. After the war he was tried in Poland and sentenced to death in 1946.

Dr. Aleksander Skotnicki is Department Head of Hematology at Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland. In addition to his academic accomplishments, he has devoted his life to Polish-Jewish reconciliation, created photographic exhibitions and authored books on the Jews of Kraków and on Oscar Schindler. He was the recipient of the Jan Karski Award in 2009.

This program is generously co-sponsored by the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Toronto and the Polish-Jewish Heritage Foundation; and by Bryna & Fred Steiner, in memory of Uncle Joseph Eisenstein, who was saved by Oskar Schindler.

7:30 PM | PRIDE OF ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE  
59 LISSOM CRESCENT | TORONTO | 416–226–0111 × 12

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Changing Times and Needs: Talking about the Holocaust Today

By understanding the Holocaust, the need for justice to be served and the reality that actions have consequences, we can better understand the impact of the Shoah on our world today.

Dr. Alan Bardikoff is a psychologist working with children, adolescents and their families. His interest in trauma and its aftereffects links to the treatment of special populations including survivors of violence, childhood sexual abuse and the Holocaust. Alan has consulted and served on a number of community boards and youth programming committees within the City of Toronto.

8:00 PM | SOLEL CONGREGATION  
2399 FOLKWAY DRIVE | MISSISSAUGA | 905–820–5915
Saturday, 5 November

Remembering and Recollecting: My Personal Testimony

Vera Schiff (née Katz) was born in 1926 in Prague, Czechoslovakia. In 1942, the entire Katz family was deported to Theresienstadt, where all but Vera perished. She was liberated by the Soviet Red Army in May 1945. Vera is the author of the award winning Theresienstadt—The Town the Nazis Gave to the Jews, Hitler’s Inferno—Eight Personal Histories from the Holocaust and Letters to Veruska. Vera returned to Theresienstadt in the summer of 2011, accompanied by her son and her 26-year-old grandson Ethan Schiff, who is making a film about her time there. She will be speaking about this experience during her D’var Torah.

10:30 AM | CONGREGATION SHIR LIBEYNU
750 SPADINA AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–784–1218

My Personal Testimony

Bill Glied was born in Subotica, Serbia in 1930. He was deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1944 along with his family. He was later transferred to the Dachau concentration camp in Germany and worked as a slave labourer. Bill was liberated by the U.S. Army in April and immigrated to Canada as an orphan in 1947.

10:30 AM | LODZER CENTRE CONGREGATION
12 HEATON STREET | TORONTO | 416–636–6665

Responsibility and Accountability: The Power of One—My Personal Testimony

Gerda Frieberg was born in Upper Silesia. In October 1939, her father was taken away to an unknown destination. In 1940, Gerda, her mother, and sister were deported to the Jaworzno Ghetto in Poland. In 1942, she was sent to the concentration camp in Oberaltstadt, where her sister was interned. Her mother joined them in 1943. Gerda worked in the machine shop of a spinning mill until liberation on May 9, 1945. After immigrating to Canada, Gerda dedicated herself to Holocaust education and chaired the founding committee of the Toronto Holocaust Centre. In 2000, she received the Governor General Meritorious Service Medal.

Presented in partnership with UJA Women’s Campaign, honouring Holocaust survivor Gerda Frieberg.

11:00 AM | THE VILLAGE SHUL
1072 EGLINTON AVENUE WEST | TORONTO | 416–785–1107 × 314

Misunderstandings: The Experience of Holocaust Survivors in Toronto

Some feel it took until the 1961 Eichmann trial for Toronto Holocaust survivors’ experiences to receive the communal attention they merited. Dr. Jack Lipinsky explores how Toronto Jews interacted with the survivors upon their arrival. Despite a great desire to help and careful communal planning, the organized institutions failed to fully understand the Holocaust’s traumatic effects on survivors. Dr. Lipinsky will explore lessons in communal planning gained from these experiences and lead a discussion on how they may continue to resonate today.

Dr. Jack Lipinsky lectures at the University’s School of Continuing Studies. He also teaches Holocaust education online for Facing History and Ourselves and at the Robbins Hebrew Academy. He has served the Stashover-Slipia Congregation for the past 30 years, presently as its Spiritual Coordinator.

11:30 AM | STASHOVER SLPIA CONGREGATION
11 SULTANA AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–789–1333

Is There a Future to Remembering the Past?

Will the Holocaust still resonate with future generations? When the last survivors are no longer here to share their testimony, we will need to change our approach to remembering the Holocaust. Jewish tradition offers wisdom on how to preserve painful history to effect this change so that the Holocaust does not become a forgotten chapter of Jewish history.

Eric Golombek is a principal at Associated Hebrew Schools in Toronto. He is interested in creative ways of bringing Bible study and Jewish prayer to life for learners of all ages.

12:00 NOON | BETH LIDA CONGREGATION
22 GILGORAM ROAD | TORONTO | 416–489–2550

My Personal Testimony

Mark Lane was born in 1929 in the eastern part of Czechoslovakia. In 1939, with the collapse of the country, the area was ceded to Hungary. In the spring of 1944, he and his family were deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau, where his mother, two brothers and sister were murdered. He remained in Birkenau until January 1945 when he was taken on a death march. He was finally liberated in May 1945 from Günskirchen. Mark immigrated to Canada in 1951.

In partnership with International Christian Embassy Jerusalem—Canada.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Marilyn & Stephen Sinclair, in loving memory of their father, Ernest (Ernie) Weiss, Holocaust survivor and speaker at the Neuberger Centre for over 20 years.

7:30 PM | FRIENDS OF JESUS CHRIST CANADA
2250 MIDLAND AVENUE | UNIT 11 | TORONTO | 416–335–8829
The Road to the Concentration Camps: The Role of Complicit Bystanders

The Holocaust could not have been carried out by Nazi ideologues alone—it required the support of a large network of individuals, "helpers," who would be complicit in their actions. Focusing specifically upon the role of “the transporters,” those responsible for carrying prisoners to the transit camps, this presentation will delve into the actions and accountability of individuals who formed a vital element in the bureaucracy of National Socialism. The extent to which Dutch bureaucracy was ready to cooperate with German policy was a signal of the substantial and effective implementation of that policy. The attitude and job orientation of these particular “helpers” helps to explain the high death toll of Dutch Jews during the Holocaust. Who were these people and why did they help the National Socialist agenda when they were not, in themselves, necessarily committed to the ideology?

Dr. Hans de Vries is the head of the Department for Correspondence of the Netherlands Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies (NIOD), an independent information and research institute, founded in May 1945. Dr. de Vries conducts scientific research into the whereabouts of Dutch citizens who were in Nazi camps and lectures on the subject worldwide.

Dr. Robert Jan van Pelt, Professor of Architecture at the University of Waterloo and world authority on Auschwitz, will provide some additional reflections on the place of the railways in both the history of the genocide of the Jews, and our remembrance and symbolization of that history in narratives and through monuments.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Esther & Victor Peters and family, in memory of all those who did not come back; and by the Consulate General of the Netherlands.

7:30 PM | NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN
4700 BATHURST STREET | TORONTO | 416–633–5100

Difficult Testimonies

Whether oral or written, testimonies about experiences during the Nazi genocide negotiate memories that are as difficult to speak of as they are to hear. But they are important in constructing an ethical legacy that reaches into the future. The presenters will look at the challenging nature of testimony and how to listen to it.

Dr. Naomi Azrieli is Chair of the Board of Directors and Executive Director of the Azrieli Foundation, one of Canada’s premiere philanthropies active in the fields of education, research and Jewish community. She is the Publisher of the Azrieli Series of Holocaust Survivor Memoirs and a member of the National Task Force on Holocaust Education, Remembrance and Research.

Dr. Sara R. Horowitz is the Director of the Israel and Golda Koschitzky Centre for Jewish Studies at York University and a professor of comparative literature. She is a member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum’s Academic Committee, the author of Voicing the Void: Muteness and Memory in Holocaust Fiction and co-editor of the journal Kerem.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Aida & Avron Seetner, in memory of Hyman Katz.

7:30 PM | NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN
4700 BATHURST STREET | TORONTO | 416–633–5100

The Shoah and Christian Accountability

The questions raised by the Holocaust include the relationship of Christianity to Judaism, a relationship mired in centuries of antisemitism. Christian theology has wrestled with Jesus within a Jewish context and the various Christian denominations’ involvement in the years before, during and after the Second World War. This presentation will discuss the challenges facing Christian communities to develop a deep understanding of the Holocaust and maintain a vibrant Jewish/Christian dialogue to ensure Never Again.

James Carroll is a regular columnist for The Boston Globe and the author of ten novels, several of them bestsellers, and several works of nonfiction including the award-winning Constantine’s Sword and his newest novel, Jerusalem, Jerusalem. He is a McDonald Scholar at Emory University.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Jim Gross, in loving memory of his parents, Ethel & Leslie Gross, z”l.

8:00 PM | BETH SHOLOM SYNAGOGUE
1445 EGLINTON AVENUE WEST | TORONTO | 416–783–6103

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Sunday, 6 November

To Hope and Back: My Personal Testimony

In 1939, six-year-old Sol Messinger was one of the 937 passengers aboard the German transatlantic liner, the St. Louis. Almost all were Jews fleeing the Third Reich. Denied entry by Cuba and then the United States, the vessel was forced to return to Europe. At the time, Canadian immigration policy was also hostile to Jewish immigration and the government of the day refused to offer the passengers sanctuary. Sol recounts his personal narrative of survival and subsequent arrival in the United States in 1942.

Dr. Sol Messinger is a retired physician in Buffalo. His parents also managed to survive the Holocaust. His story is featured in award-winning Canadian author Kathy Kacer’s recently published book, To Hope and Back. Ms. Kacer and Mr. Messinger will be available for book signing after the lecture.

A Cantor Severin Weingart Holocaust education lecture.

10:00 am | Temple Sinai Congregation
210 Wilson Avenue | Toronto | 416–487–3281 × 226

Legacy: A Symposium Exploring Accountability for the 21st Century

A program for people in their 20s and 30s

The second-annual Legacy Symposium will inspire young adults to consider how their generation will remember the Holocaust, addressing some of the complexities around representing its horrors and its essential lessons for humanity. The symposium will commence with “Misconceptions: A Primer on the Holocaust” with Dr. Doris Bergen, Chancellor Rose and Ray Wolfe Chair of Holocaust Studies at the University of Toronto. Sessions and workshops will engage participants through a collaborative and explorative learning environment. Dr. Rebecca Wittmann, Associate Professor at University of Toronto Mississauga, concludes the symposium with a keynote presentation on Postwar Justice and Personal Accountability in Germany. Educational sessions will explore non-Jewish victims of the Nazis; Jewish upstanders in non-Jewish movements; denial as the impetus for survivor testimony; and war crimes trials. Interactive workshops will discuss the accountability in sharing survivor stories, explore the legacy and complexity of holding people accountable, and consider the significance of doing so for future generations. Kay Andrews, 2011 Educator-in-Residence, will lead a specialized session about teaching the Holocaust in the context of other genocides. Facilitators include Leora Schaefer, Shauna Waltman, Jeffrey Silverstone, and Holocaust survivor Vera Schiff.

For complete program visit www.holocausteducationweek.com.

The program is free of charge; all young professionals welcome. Space is limited—registration recommended. Register online at www.holocausteducationweek.com. For more information, email rlibman@ujafed.org. Lunch will be served. Kashruth observed.

Presented in partnership with Hillel of Toronto and March of the Living Toronto as well as the Annex Shul, Beth Tzedec Young Professionals, Birthright Alumni Community, Canadian Centre for Diversity, Facing History and Ourselves, the House, Impact Toronto, JUMP, the Multi-Faith Centre for Spiritual Study & Practice, University of Toronto, Shaarei Shomayim Young Professionals and UJA Community Connect.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Eleanor & Martin Maxwell, and Annalee & Jeff Wagman, Dundee Securities Ltd.


10:30 am registration | 11:00 am–4:00 pm
Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre
Multi-Faith Centre for Spiritual Study & Practice
University of Toronto | 569 Spadina Avenue | Toronto 416–946–3119

My Personal Testimony

Amek Adler was born in Lublin in 1928 and grew up in Lodz. After Nazi occupation in 1939, his family escaped to Warsaw and then to Radom. In 1943, Amek was sent to Auschwitz, and from there was shipped to Stuttgart, Natzweiler, and then Dachau, where his father and one older brother perished. Amek was liberated on April 28, 1945. Between 1945 and 1947, Amek worked with the Israeli Ingun Tzavi Leumi to help illegal immigrants into Palestine. He immigrated to Canada in 1954.

10:30 am | The Salvation Army
North Toronto Community Church
7 Eglinton Avenue East | Toronto | 416–488–7954
Sunday, 6 November

My Personal Testimony

Helen Yermus was born in Kovno, Lithuania. She had to endure hardship, intimidation and fear in the Kovno Ghetto. Her brother was taken away and presumed murdered. In 1944 the ghetto was liquidated, and her father was deported to Dachau, where he died of starvation. Helen and her mother were taken to the Stutthof concentration camp in Germany. Both survived the camp and immigrated to Canada together in 1948.

10:30 AM | NEW BEGINNINGS FELLOWSHIP
97 WOOD LANE | RICHMOND HILL | 416–562–0938

Tales of Courage From the Shoah

The Holocaust is often described as the “Kingdom of the Night.” Yet there were those who rose up against evil. Jew and non-Jew fought back with body and soul, showing heroism and compassion under the most trying conditions. Their courageous stories will be explored with noted storyteller Eli Rubenstein, National Director of the March of the Living and Religious Leader of Congregation Habonim.

Suitable for adults and families with children ages 9+

This program is generously co-sponsored by the Azrieli Series of Holocaust Survivor Memoirs, established to collect, preserve and share the stories written by survivors of the 20th century Nazi genocide of the Jews of Europe who later made their way to Canada. Members of the audience will receive sets of the Azrieli Series of Holocaust Survivor Memoirs.

11:00 AM | JEWISH STORYTELLING ARTS | MILES NADAL JCC
750 SPADINA AVENUE TORONTO | 416–924–6211 × 154

The Light in the Darkness

Anti-Jewish laws were never introduced in Nazi-occupied Denmark: the government and the King insisted that it would end Danish cooperation with Nazi Germany. Significant parts of the Danish population saw itself as accountable and acted upon this sense of responsibility when Nazi Germany planned to deport the Danish Jews in 1943. Helping their fellow countrymen to the safe shores of Sweden, the Danes as a nation have been honoured as Righteous Gentiles. But younger scholars have started to ask critical and nuanced questions about Danish antisemitism and collaboration.

Thorsten Wagner is a German-Danish historian, born and raised in Sønderborg, Denmark. He studied in Tübingen, Jerusalem, Madison, and Berlin. A docent at the Jewish Museum of Berlin, a research fellow at the Danish Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, he has recently been involved with research and teaching at the Humboldt University of Berlin. He has been an associate professor at DIS/University of Copenhagen, Denmark since 2010.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Julie Silver & Arthur Helman.

1:00 PM | CONGREGATION SHIR LIEBEYNU
FIRST UNITARIAN CONGREGATION
175 ST. CLAIR AVENUE WEST | TORONTO | 416–784–1218

Outcasts—A Love Story

FILM

1940s Hungary was a dangerous place for a Christian man to fall in love with a Jewish woman. Fearing for her life, Tibor devised a plan to save his beloved Hedy. Through the eyes of the brothers of Tibor Schroeder and Hedy Weisz, Outcasts tells the lovers’ story. (2010, Hungarian and English, 55 minutes)

Toronto filmmaker Susan M. Papp has produced and directed numerous documentaries dealing with social issues, arts and biographies. Her documentaries have won many awards, including the Michener Award and the Canadian Association of Journalists Award for Outstanding Investigative Reporting.

Ms. Papp teaches at the Munk Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Edith Sereny, in memory of John Sereny.

1:30 PM | BATHURST CLARK RESOURCE LIBRARY
900 CLARK AVENUE WEST | THORNHILL | 905–653–7323 × 4130

A Yiddish-Canadian Writer in the Post-Holocaust World: A Tribute to Chava Rosenfarb

Dr. Goldie Morgentaler will discuss the unique body of work produced by her late mother, Chava Rosenfarb, z”l, a prolific Yiddish writer of Holocaust literature who was a survivor of the Lodz Ghetto. She authored numerous volumes of prose and poetry, most notably, The Tree of Life: A Trilogy of Life in the Lodz Ghetto. Through her writings, she expressed her sense of personal accountability to those Yiddish speakers who perished and to those who survived, by bearing witness to their suffering in their language. By writing about the Holocaust in Yiddish, Rosenfarb felt herself to be responsible to maintain the language of the lost community of which she had once been a part and to which she held herself accountable.

Dr. Goldie Morgenthaler, daughter of Chava Rosenfarb, is an award-winning translator. She is a professor of English at the University of Lethbridge, where she teaches nineteenth-century British and American literature. She has translated numerous Yiddish literary works into English and is the translator for much of her mother’s work.

The lecture will be delivered primarily in English, accompanied by readings in Yiddish of selections from Rosenfarb’s poetry and prose.

2:00 PM | TORONTO WORKMEN’S CIRCLE | COMMITTEE FOR YIDDISH UJA FEDERATION | FRIENDS OF YIDDISH IN TORONTO
471 LAWRENCE AVENUE WEST | TORONTO | 416–787–2081
Silenced Reflections

As a musical homage to the victims of the Holocaust, the Renanim Youth Singers will become a voice for the 6 million Jews—1.5 million children among them—who were brutally silenced.

The Renanim Youth Singers have won numerous awards and accolades as they celebrate their Bar Mitzvah year under Founder and Artistic Director, Susan Michaels. Named for an Israeli songbird, Renanim is Canada’s only Jewish community choir for school-age youth. The choir represents Jewish pluralism, enhances a passion for music and builds a love of Judaism and Zionism.

2:30 PM | FOREST HILL PLACE RETIREMENT RESIDENCE
645 CASTLEFIELD AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–785–1511

Inheritance  FILM

This new documentary tells the story of Monika Hertwig, the daughter of mass murderer Amon Göth. Hertwig has spent her life in the shadow of her father’s sins, trying to come to terms with her “inheritance.” She seeks out Helen Jonas, who was enslaved by Göth and who is one of the few living eyewitnesses to his unspeakable brutality. The women’s raw, emotional meeting unearths terrible truths and lingering questions about how the actions of our parents can continue to ripple through generations. (2006, English, 75 minutes)

After the film, Dr. Paula David will facilitate a Q & A. A gerontologist, Dr. David teaches at the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work and the Institute for Life Course and Aging at the University of Toronto.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Gayle & Alf Kwinter & family, in loving memory of Mila & Zalman Kwinter, Michael Rosen and David Rosen.

4:00 PM | TEMPLE HAR ZION
7360 BAYVIEW AVENUE | THORNHILL | 905–889–2252

The Tutsi Genocide and its Aftermath

During this presentation, Régine King will provide a short overview of the historical and political issues that led to the 1994 Tutsi genocide in Rwanda, some consequences of this genocide and steps made towards recovery. She will also address present challenges and give a snapshot of her field research in Rwanda of 2010. Régine will relate her own story to provide contextual examples.

Régine Uwibereyeho King is a PhD candidate in the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work, University of Toronto, and a survivor of the 1994 Tutsi genocide in Rwanda. For her complete bio, see page 12.

5:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
7478 KENNEDY ROAD | MARKHAM | 905–470–9775

Canadian Responses to the Eichmann Trial

The Eichmann trial had an enormous impact around the world—Canada was no exception. This panel will explore the Eichmann trial's ongoing effect on Canada and the Canadian Jewish community. Among the areas to be considered are: how the Eichmann trial impacted Holocaust survivors in Canada; how it shaped Holocaust commemoration, education and responses to Holocaust denial in Canada; what influence the trial had on the campaign against Nazi war criminals in Canada; and how the Eichmann trial affected the relationship of Canadian Jews to Israel.

Dr. Frank Bialystok teaches Canadian Jewish Studies at University College, University of Toronto. His book, Delayed Impact—The Holocaust and the Canadian Jewish Community was reissued last year. He is a member of the Canadian Delegation to the Task Force for International Cooperation on Holocaust Education, Remembrance and Research.

Dr. Harold Troper is a Professor of the History of Education at the University of Toronto. He specializes in issues of immigration and ethnicity in Canada. His most recent book, The Defining Decade: Identity, Politics and the Canadian Jewish Community in the 1960s, won a 2011 Canadian Jewish Book Award.

Dr. Morton Weinfeld is a Professor of Sociology at McGill University, where he holds the Chair in Canadian Ethnic Studies. He has published widely on areas of Canadian Jewish Sociology, as well as on multiculturalism and immigration issues. He is the author of Like Everyone Else But Different: The Paradoxical Success of Canadian Jews.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Sally & Mark Zigler, in memory of their parents, Fanny & Bernard Laufer and Etty & Salo Zigler.

7:00 PM | CONGREGATION DARCHEI NOAM
864 SHEPPARD AVENUE WEST | TORONTO | 416–638–4783

Remembering for the Future : How Will Germany Continue to Deal with its Past?

The culture of commemoration in Germany has changed tremendously over the past few decades—from ambivalence and, in some cases, denial, to a sincere attempt to come to terms with the Nazi past. The Eichmann trial and other court cases against Nazi perpetrators played a significant role in this process. How will Germany continue to deal with its past in the future?

For Thorsten Wagner’s bio, see page 21.

In partnership with St. Timothy’s Anglican Church.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Ted & Joan Shapero and the Teddy Tourney.

7:00 PM | MELROSE COMMUNITY CHURCH
375 MELROSE AVENUE (AT AVENUE ROAD) | TORONTO | 416–785–1980
Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today  F I L M

This film depicts one of the most infamous courtroom dramas in modern times, and the first to make extensive use of film as evidence. It was also the first trial to be meticulously documented, orally and visually. All of the proceedings were recorded but strict limits were placed on the cameramen; they were permitted to film only about 25 hours of the trial. This was to prove a great challenge for writer/director Stuart Schulberg, and his editor Joseph Zigman, when they were engaged to make the official film about the trial, in 1946, shortly after its conclusion. (2010 restoration of 1948 film, English & German, 80 minutes)

Sandra Schulberg is the daughter of writer/director Stuart Schulberg, who was commissioned to create the original documentary. Based on newly uncovered family letters and documents, she completed the restoration of Nuremberg: Its Lesson for Today in 2009. She teaches at the graduate film school at Columbia University.

Sandra Schulberg will be available after the screening for Q & A.

This program is generously co-sponsored by the Town of Richmond Hill, Mercedes-Benz Canada and the Toronto Jewish Film Festival.

7:30 PM | BEIT RAYIM SYNAGOGUE AND HEBREW SCHOOL
RICHDON HILL CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
10628 YONGE STREET | RICHMOND HILL | 905-770-7639 × 31

Wine and War: The French, the Nazis & the Battle for France’s Greatest Treasure

When the German army invaded France in 1940, it began a campaign of pillaging the great French stores of wine. A little-known story concerns the dangerous and ingenious exploits of those who fought to keep France’s liquid treasure out of the hands of the Nazis. They foisted inferior wines on the Germans, hid precious vintages behind hastily constructed false walls, sabotaged shipments being sent out of France and even sneaked members of the Resistance out of the country in wine barrels. Some died for their efforts, while others collaborated with the occupiers for their own benefit.

Don and Petie Kladstrup, authors of the book Wine and War, will discuss this remarkable story. Winner of three Emmys and numerous awards for his journalism, Don Kladstrup is one of America’s distinguished network television news correspondents. His wife, Petie Kladstrup, is a former newspaper reporter who has written widely about France and French life. Contributors to Wine Spectator, the Kladstrups divide their time between Paris and Normandy.

The authors will be available for book signing after the lecture.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Naomi Rikind Mansell & David Mansell.

7:30 PM | SHAAR SHALOM SYNAGOGUE
2 SIMONSTON BOULEVARD | THORNHILL | 905–889–4975

The Children’s Republic—
Dress rehearsal of Toronto premiere


Suitable for ages 13 years and older.

Free performance in honour of Holocaust Education Week. General admission with confirmed reservation on first-come, first-served basis, prior to Thursday, November 3. Call Hannah Schwartz at 416–835–2883 × 5153 or email hschwartz@ujafed.org.

Maximum 4 tickets per family. Theatre box office opens 7:00 PM and tickets must be picked up at theatre by 7:30 PM.

Regular, ticketed performances begin November 8 and run through December 18.


Visit the corresponding exhibition, Janusz Korczak and the Children of the Warsaw Ghetto, on view November 3-December 2, 2011 at The Gallery @ the Miles Nadal JCC. For more information about the exhibition, see page 8.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Helen Stollar, in memory of her husband, Jack Stollar; and by Eileen & Leonard Gold, in memory of the children who never returned.

8:00 PM | HAROLD GREEN JEWISH THEATRE COMPANY
AT TARRAGON THEATRE | 30 BRIDGMAN AVENUE | TORONTO
416–531–1827

Tami Raveh Hausner will give an English-language presentation on Closing Night. See page 31 for details.

This program is generously co-sponsored by the Consulate General of Israel.
My Personal Testimony

Born in Poland in 1929, Sally Rosen lived in the Lodz Ghetto with her mother for four-and-a-half years during the war. In 1944 they were deported to Auschwitz-Birkenau. From there, Sally was taken to Bremen-Hafen to clean bombarded houses. In April 1945 she was transported to Bergen-Belsen, from where she was liberated by the British Army. In all, she lost 40 members of her family during the Holocaust. Sally immigrated to Canada in 1948.

\[10:30 \text{am} \mid \text{Palmerston Library} \\
560 \text{Palmerston Avenue} \mid \text{Toronto} \mid 416-393-7680\]

My Personal Testimony

Alex Levin was born in 1932 in Rokitno (Volyn), Poland. He survived a massacre at the Rokitno Ghetto where his parents and younger brother were murdered. He managed to escape into the forest with his older brother where they lived for over one-and-a-half years. He was liberated by the Soviet Red Army in 1944 and made his way to Canada in 1975. His memoir, *Under the Yellow and Red Stars*, received the 2010 Pearson Prize Teen Choice Award.

\[1:00 \text{pm} \mid \text{Danforth/Coxwell Library} \\
1675 \text{Danforth Avenue} \mid \text{Toronto} \mid 416-393-7783\]

My Personal Testimony

Henry Melnick, born in Lodz, was deported for slave labour shortly after the Nazi occupation of Poland in 1939. He was transferred to several death camps, including Auschwitz-Birkenau and Bergen-Belsen. When his parents were murdered in the Belzec death camp, he became the sole survivor of his family. After liberation, he fought in Israel’s 1948 War of Independence. Henry immigrated to Canada in 1965. Henry is the author of the recently published book, *By My Mother’s Hand*.

\[1:30 \text{pm} \mid \text{Milliken Mills Community Library} \\
7600 \text{Kennedy Road} \mid \text{Markham} \mid 905-513-7977 \times 3538\]

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Événement en français


English text available on our website.

\[1:30 \text{pm} \mid \text{Toronto Reference Library} \mid \text{Beeton Auditorium} \\
789 \text{Yonge Street} \mid \text{Toronto} \mid 416-393-7008\]

My Personal Testimony

Eva Meisels was born in 1939 Budapest, an only child. Her parents worked as a sheet metal worker and in a grocery store. After her father was taken to a forced labour camp in 1942, Eva and her mother were sent to the Budapest Ghetto and eventually, a safe house. They obtained false papers from Raoul Wallenberg and were liberated by the Soviet Army. After the war, Eva went back to school and immigrated to Canada in 1956.

\[2:00 \text{pm} \mid \text{Lillian H. Smith Library} \\
239 \text{College Street} \mid \text{Toronto} \mid 416-393-7747\]

Bringing the Generations Together: the Responsibility to Remember the Holocaust

The students of Crestwood Prepatory College, under their Oral History Project, have interviewed Baycrest resident Holocaust survivors on the responsibility of the community to remember the Holocaust. The students, under the leadership of Scott Masters, director of the program, will present the results of their interview process supported by video clips.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Cathy-Ellen Metter & Hartley Hershenhorn, in memory of his father Kelly Hershenhorn, his inspiration to study the Holocaust.

\[3:00 \text{pm} \mid \text{Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care} \\
3560 \text{Bathurst Street} \mid \text{Wortsman Hall} \mid \text{Toronto} \\
416-785-2500 \times 2271\]

My Personal Testimony

Ada Wynston was born in 1936 in Amsterdam. She and 231 others were rescued from a Jewish daycare centre by the Dutch underground. From 1942 to 1945, Ada was hidden with Dutch-Reform Christian families. 73 members of her family were murdered in death camps. Ada immigrated to Canada in 1957. She received a Knighthood from Her Majesty Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands in 1993 for her volunteer work.

In partnership with Summit Community Church and Willowdale Pentecostal Church

\[7:00 \text{pm} \mid \text{Bayview Glen Church} \\
300 \text{Steeles Avenue East} \mid \text{Thornhill} \mid 905-881-5252\]
Monday, 7 November

La Rafle—The Roundup  FILM

Based on the true story of a young Jewish boy, the film depicts the Vel’ d’Hiv Roundup (Rafle du Vel’ d’Hiv) of Jews in occupied France by collaborationist French police. Eleven-year-old Joseph, his Jewish friends and their families adapt to life in occupied Paris, until the fateful morning of July 16, 1942. From the Vélodrome D’Hiver (Vel’ d’Hiv), where 13,000 Jews are detained, to the Beaune-La-Rolande camp, from Vichy to the terrace of the Berghof, La Rafle follows the real destinies of the victims and the executioners. (2010, French and German, 115 minutes). A facilitated discussion will follow the film.

Admission is free, but space is limited. Pre-registration required: 416-635-2883 × 5153 or register online. Maximum 4 tickets per family.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Cineplex Entertainment L.P. and the Toronto Jewish Film Festival; and by Barbara & Henry Bank in memory of Henry’s parents, Israel and Rachela Bank.

7:00 PM | CINEPLEX ODEON SHEPPARD CENTRE
4861 YONGE STREET | TORONTO | 416–635–2883 × 5153

Bystanders and the Holocaust: New Issues, New Problems

Jan T. Gross, Jan Grabowski and other historians working within the Polish Centre for Holocaust Research shed new light on the issue of Jewish-Polish relations during the Shoah. Their studies allow us to rethink the thorny issues of wartime collaboration, betrayal and the very meaning of the concept of “bystander.” This research points to the fact that fear, greed and old prejudices, combined with ruthless Nazi policies and effective propaganda, resulted in certain elements of Polish society actively participating in the hunt, and sometimes direct killing, of Jewish fugitives. Gross and Grabowski explain the dissonance between Polish and Jewish memory of the Holocaust. The discussion of these issues, although painful to many, is certainly long overdue. The new archival sources, only recently accessible to historians, make this discussion all the more urgent and necessary. They also deal with the unique area of the study of Holocaust, where the “gentle bystanders,” and not the Germans, had a final word in deciding whether the Jews were to live, or die.

Dr. Jan Tomasz Gross is a Polish-American historian and sociologist. He is a Professor of War and Society and Professor of History at Princeton University. His books Neighbors, Fear, and the most recent Golden Harvest have provoked a new wave of research on the Holocaust and its aftermath.

Dr. Jan Grabowski is a Polish-Canadian historian, a professor of history at the University of Ottawa and a member of the Polish Centre for Holocaust Research. In his book, Szmalcownicy, he analyzed the impact of blackmailers on the Jews in hiding, and in the latest book, Judenjagd, Hunt for Jews 1942-1945, he explores the fate of Jews who avoided deportations.

In partnership with the Polish-Jewish Heritage Foundation of Canada

7:30 PM | KEHILLAT SHAAREI TORAH
2640 BAYVIEW AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–229–2600 × 2

Saving Yiddish, Saving American Jewry: Max Weinreich and the Creation of Yiddish Studies in Postwar North America

Max Weinreich, the world’s foremost Yiddish scholar and guiding spirit of the Jewish Scientific Institute in Vilna, Poland, arrived almost miraculously in New York City in March 1940 with his elder son Uriel. Initially optimistic about a global future for Yiddish and the rebuilding of Jewish life in Poland after the war, Weinreich was instead obliged to come to terms with the loss of virtually his entire world. How were Weinreich and other refugee scholars who had made their careers in and for Yiddish to carry on after the Holocaust? What role could and should Yiddish play in the creation of a postwar Jewish culture? And how was the past to be commemorated without falling into depression and desperation for the future? For Weinreich, the introduction of Yiddish and Eastern European Jewish Studies—subjects of embarrassment for most Jews—into North American academia was the answer.

Kalman Weiser is the Silber Family Professor of Modern Jewish Studies at York University. He is the co-editor of Czernowitz at 100: the First Yiddish Language Conference in Historical Perspective (2010) and Jewish People, Yiddish Nation: Noah Prylucki and the Folkists in Poland (2011).

This program is generously co-sponsored by Esther Dostrovsky and family, in honour of Regina Krigstein on her 90th birthday, from her daughters, grandchildren and great-grandsons.

7:30 PM | BETH EMETH BAIS YEHUDA SYNAGOGUE
100 ELDER STREET | TORONTO | 416–633–3838

The Glass House  FILM

Twenty-five to thirty thousand Jews were issued life-saving certificates of Salvadoran citizenship thanks to the “El Salvador Action” and its officials, Consul General Jose Arturo Castellanos and his First Secretary, George Mandel-Mantello. This is the untold story of how one of the world’s smallest countries facilitated one of the most successful rescue operations of the Second World War. (2006, English/Spanish/Hungarian, 78 minutes). After the screening, Allyssa Moskovitz, educator and facilitator, will moderate a discussion.

In partnership with Richmond Hill United Church

7:30 PM | L’ARCHE DAYBREAK | DAYSPRING CHAPEL
11339 YONGE STREET (AT DEVONSLEIGH) | RICHMOND HILL
905–884–3454 × 227
Accounting for Genocide? The Nuremberg Tribunals and the Politics of Postwar Justice

On May 8, 1945, Germany surrendered unconditionally to the Allied powers. 55 million people had died, half of whom were civilians. The Allies held thousands of former Nazis to account, forever changing the role of international criminal and humanitarian law. The 13 Nuremberg trials set a precedent for the future treatment of war criminals because they prosecuted some of the most prominent surviving Nazis. Yet with the exception of Rudolf Hess, all of those sentenced to prison terms in the Nuremberg court rooms were released from prison well before scheduled. This talk examines the processes that encouraged the early release and in some cases amnesties for Nazi war criminals in the 1950s.

Dr. Hilary Earl is professor of Modern European history at Nipissing University in North Bay, Ontario and the author of The Nuremberg SS-Einsatzgruppen Trial, 1945–1958: Atrocity, Law, and History (Cambridge University Press, 2009). She is currently working on the issue of the reintegration of war criminals back into German society.

Lunch and Learn hosted by Aird & Berlis LLP and PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

Doors open 11:45 AM. Program begins promptly at 12:15 PM. Lunch is provided. Registration required.

RSVP to Kathy at 416–863–1500 × 3129 or kmontenegro@airdberlis.com

This program is generously co-sponsored by Sylvia and Isaac Peck, in honour of their parents, Morris z”l & Sally Lubelsky and Nathan & Freda Peck.

12:00 NOON | AIRD & BERLIS LLP | BROOKFIELD PLACE
181 BAY STREET | SUITE 1800 | TORONTO | 416–863–1500 × 3129

Witnesses to Atrocity: German Military Chaplains and the Holocaust

About one thousand Christian clergymen, Protestant and Catholic, served as military chaplains in Hitler’s Wehrmacht. They were present at every front and witnessed atrocities of all kinds: mass killings of Jews; deliberate starvation of Soviet POWs; and destruction of civilian villages. After the war, two chaplains even testified in the German trial of a murder squad responsible for the slaughter of thousands of Jews in Ukraine. Yet German military chaplains have been all but forgotten in accounts of the Second World War and the Holocaust. What roles did they play in facilitating, legitimating, recording, or perhaps opposing Nazi crimes? What do they reveal about how the Holocaust was possible?

Presented by Doris L. Bergen. See page 14 for her bio.

This program is part of the Lunch and Learn series at Beth Tikvah.


Lunch at 12:15 PM; lecture at 12:45 PM

12:00 NOON | BETH TIKVAH SYNAGOGUE
3080 BAYVIEW AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–221–3433

My Personal Testimony

Herbert Goldstein will share his experiences during the Holocaust.

For his bio, please see page 17.

1:30 PM | ANSLEY GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY
350 ANSLEY GROVE ROAD | WOODBRIDGE | 905–653–7323 × 4404

Unseen Tears FILM

Filmmaker Ron Douglas will present Unseen Tears: The Impact of Native American Residential Boarding Schools in Western New York, which explores the experience of Aboriginal children from Western New York and Southern Ontario. A former student of the Indian Residential School system in Canada will share insights on his experience and the impact of Canada’s Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Selected materials from Centennial Library’s special collections will be on display, including items from the John & Molly Pollock Holocaust Collection.

This program is generously co-sponsored by RBC Foundation.

1:30 PM | CENTENNIAL COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY
940 PROGRESS AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–289–5000 × 2608

My Personal Testimony

Denise Hans was born in Paris, France in 1938. In 1942, after her father, aunt and uncle were taken from her home and murdered, her mother sought places to hide her six children and two nieces. Denise was hidden twice with farmers and then in a convent. She and two sisters stayed there until 1948, when they were reunited with their mother and siblings. Denise immigrated to Canada in 1956.

1:30 PM | NORTH YORK CENTRAL LIBRARY
5120 YONGE STREET | TORONTO | 416–395–5784

Inheritance FILM

The story of Monika Hertwig, daughter of mass murderer Amon Göth. For a complete description, see page 22. Discussion after the film will be led by Dr. Felicia Carmelly, a Holocaust survivor from Transnistria.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Ilse Feldheim and Daniel Feldheim.

2:00 PM | BARBARA FRUM LIBRARY
20 COVINGTON ROAD | TORONTO | 416–395–5455

My Personal Testimony

Miriam Frankel will share her experiences during the Holocaust.

For her bio, see page 10.

2:00 PM | COLLEGE/SHAW LIBRARY
766 COLLEGE STREET | TORONTO | 416–393–7669
To Hope and Back: The Journey of the St. Louis
A Holocaust remembrance book for young readers, To Hope and Back (Kathy Kacer) is the tragic true story of the S.S. St. Louis, a luxury ship that set sail from Germany in 1939 carrying 937 Jewish refugees. It is also the story of two young passengers who were onboard the ship, Lisa Avedon and Sol Messinger. They are turned away—from first from Cuba, then the United States, and then Canada. The St. Louis was forced to return to Europe.

A child of Holocaust survivors, Kathy Kacer is a much-sought-after speaker and the award-winning author of such youth books as The Secret of Gabi’s Dresser, the “Whispers” series and her first adult book, Restitution. The author will be available for book signing after the lecture.

2:15 PM | LOUIS-HONORÉ FRÉCHETTE SCHOOL
40 NEW WESTMINSTER DRIVE | THORNHILL | 905–738–1724

Table ronde sur l’holocauste: La France et son passé vichyste, les faits, leur histoire et leur poids mémoriel


Culpabilité d’État: le cas de Vichy
Tal Bruttman, historien, Mémorial de la Shoah à Paris

Justice pour la Shoah en France : dilemmes, avancées et controverses
Michael Marrus, historien, professeur émérite de l’Université de Toronto

Nous nous attendons à ce qu’un troisième chercheur participe à cette table ronde. Veuillez vous reporter au site holocausteducationweek.org pour plus d’informations.

L’événement est gratuit. RSVP – Le nombre de place étant limité, merci de bien vouloir réserver avant le 30 octobre en contactant: Aurélien Bonin, Chercheur, Traducteur et Éducateur, Fondation Azrieli : aurelien@azrielifoundation.org

English text available on our website.

Cet événement est généreusement co-sponsorisé par la Collection Azrieli des mémoires de survivants de l’Holocauste. Les participants se verront remettre gratuitement des mémoires de la dernière série. La présence de Michael R. Marrus comme universitaire en résidence est sponsorisée par Helena & Jeff Axler et leurs familles.

18h30 | ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE DE TORONTO | GALERIE PIERRE-LÉON
24 SPADINA ROAD | TORONTO | 416–922–2014

EDUCATOR-IN-RESIDENCE

How to Tell the Children: Addressing the Challenges of Educating About the Holocaust

During this presentation, Kay Andrews, Educator-in-Residence for HEW 2011, will address issues relating to how adults, teachers and educators communicate the unprecedented nature of the Holocaust to young people. Ms. Andrews will speak about the challenges raised by the groundbreaking research conducted by the University of London’s Holocaust Education Development Programme (HEDP), many of which will be pertinent to parents, families, teachers and students interested in Holocaust education. She will engage the audience in a learning activity, demonstrating the pedagogical approach being undertaken by the HEDP when working with educators across England, an approach that can be applied globally.

Kay Andrews is one of the leading Holocaust educators in the United Kingdom. A former high school teacher, Ms. Andrews joined the Holocaust Educational Trust in 1999, becoming Head of Education in 2005. She is recognized for her work in professional development for teachers. Ms. Andrews has spoken internationally and is a trustee of the Holocaust Centre, UK. She joined the UK delegation to the Task Force for International Co-operation on Holocaust Education, Remembrance and Research (ITF) in 2005.

Currently, Ms. Andrews coordinates the national outreach program of the Holocaust Education Development Programme (HEDP), at the world-renowned Institute of Education, University of London. She contributed to the HEDP’s groundbreaking research report, Teaching about the Holocaust in English Schools (2009), and with her colleagues develops and delivers national teacher education programmes. Ms. Andrews co-edited a special edition of Teaching History and has contributed to Teachers’ TV, an educational resource for teachers.

Following her presentation, Ms. Andrews will be joined by Carson Phillips, Educator at the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre and a Canadian delegate to the ITF to discuss the Canadian context of her presentation.

The inaugural Educator-in-Residence is generously sponsored by Joyce & Aaron Rifkind & family.

This program is presented in partnership with the Chenstochover Aid Society.

7:30 PM | BETH TORAH CONGREGATION
47 GLENBROOK AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–782–4495 × 41
Shmal’tsovniki: Bounty Hunters in German-Occupied Galicia, 1941–1944

This lecture will discuss the toll of the so-called shmal’tsovniki (szmal’cownicy), or bounty hunters, who betrayed Jews to the German police in return for cash rewards, apartments, and a host of other incentives. **Dr. Jeffrey Burds** will present archival proof from District Galicia to trace the nefarious roles played by these local collaborators during the Holocaust. He will also outline the political economy of genocide in western Ukraine, tracing the extraordinary story of the transformation of relations between neighbours into a predatory hunt for Jewish men, women and children who had been driven into hiding.

**Dr. Jeffrey Burds** is Associate Professor and Co-Director of Russian & Soviet History at Northeastern University (Boston). His current work is devoted to studies of collaboration in the German-occupied Soviet zones during World War II.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Gail & Stanley Debow, in memory of her parents Max & Maria Reisberg and her brother, Heneck Reisberg.

7:30 PM | ADATH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE
37 SOUTHBORNE AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–635–5340 x 308

Music and Conscience

The ARC Ensemble will perform music by Adolf Busch and Karl Amadeus Hartmann, composers who, at great personal cost and considerable risk, took a stand against the racial and cultural policies of the Third Reich. This concert examines their lives and the context of their contribution. Artistic Director Simon Wynberg will provide introductory remarks.

In the space of just a few years, the **ARC Ensemble** (Artists of the Royal Conservatory) has become one of Canada’s pre-eminent cultural ambassadors, raising international appreciation of the Conservatory and Canada’s rich musical life. Its members are all senior faculty of the Glenn Gould School, with guest artists drawn from its most exceptional students and graduates. Two of its recordings have been nominated for Grammy awards. The ARC Ensemble plays a leading role in the recovery of music composed by exiles from Nazi Europe, and its work has received unanimous acclaim from the world’s cultural press.


8:00 PM | ROYAL CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC | MAZZOLENI CONCERT HALL
TELUS CENTRE FOR PERFORMANCE AND LEARNING
273 BLOOR STREET WEST | TORONTO | 416–417–4757

Why Neighbours Kill Neighbours: Anti-Jewish Pogroms in the Summer of 1941

Two tragedies befell the Jews of Eastern Europe after the outbreak of the Second World War. The first, and by far the best known, is the Nazi genocide of European Jewry. The second is the phenomenon of violence and underlying hatred exhibited by local communities. **Dr. Jeffrey Kopstein** explores the second tragedy, a wave of pogroms that broke out in the aftermath of the 1941 Nazi invasion of the Soviet Union, and seeks to explain why the inhabitants of some communities erupted in violence against their Jewish neighbours.

**Dr. Jeffrey Kopstein** is Professor of Political Science and Director of the Centre for Jewish Studies at the University of Toronto. He has held fellowships at Harvard University, Princeton University and from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation. A widely-published author and award-winning lecturer specializing in Jewish Studies, his most recent work examines pogrom violence in Occupied Poland.

The lecture will be followed by A Holocaust Survivor’s Rhapsody: 1939–1945. During the war, 98-year-old Holocaust survivor, Leo Spellman (Lazar Szpilman) helped establish the Ostrowiec ghetto, and his musical talent drew the attention of a guard who later helped Leo and his wife escape to a nearby forest. Written in DP camps just before the creation of the State of Israel, Rhapsody is a 15-minute musical story of war, liberation and hope. Arranged and conducted by Musical Director Paul Hoffert, this moving composition will debut at the event. A professor at York University and founder of Canada’s Lighthouse band, Hoffert was awarded the Order of Canada in 2004.

This program is generously co-sponsored by the Ferman family in loving memory of Grunia and Lewis Ferman, z”l, who were heroes of the Holocaust, saving numerous lives.

7:30 PM | BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH OF TORONTO CONGREGATION
613 CLARK AVENUE WEST | PERLIS HALL | THORNHILL | 905–886–3810

Reading of the Names 24 HOUR PROGRAM

To honour the memories of the victims of the Holocaust, the annual Reading of the Names will be conducted for 24 hours by students of Hillel of Greater Toronto. Members of the community are welcome to participate and may submit names of their family members.

5:00 PM TUESDAY–5:00 PM WEDNESDAY | HILLEL OF GREATER TORONTO AT SENeca COLLEGE, RYerson UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO & YORK UNIVERSITY | 416–913–2424 FOR SCHEDULE AND DETAILS

Never Again?

Despite thousands of years of Jewish persecution, the Holocaust was an unprecedented disaster. But could such a calamity recur?

**Shlomo Jakobovits** holds rabbinic ordination from Gateshead Yeshiva in England and from the Chief Rabbinate of Israel. He has been a school principal for 40 years and is a specialist in Jewish history, lecturing widely in North America and Europe.

This program is generously co-sponsored by The Frankel Family Foundation.

8:00 PM | SHAAREI TEFILLAH CONGREGATION
3600 BATHURST STREET | TORONTO | 416–787–1631
My Personal Testimony
Arnold Friedman will share his experiences during the Holocaust.
For a complete bio, see page 13.

10:00 AM | SANDERSON PUBLIC LIBRARY
327 BATHURST STREET | TORONTO | 416–393–7653

Berlin—A City Facing its Legacy
From the ruins of two dictatorships, a new capital has arisen—with spectacular architecture and new, remarkable institutions such as the Holocaust Memorial and the Jewish Museum. Yet modern Berlin has to exist between past and present: remains of the Berlin Wall and former Nazi government buildings still in use are juxtaposed with the ruins of the SS and Gestapo headquarters (today the Topography of Terror Foundation and Historic Site). Difficult questions arise: how can a population primarily consisting of descendants of perpetrators, their former neighbors and fellow citizens, face their past and give room to the memory and voice of the absent victims?

Thorsten Wagner will address these complex questions. For his bio, see page 21. Visit www.ccgges.yorku.ca for directions and further details.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Lorraine & Alan Sandler, in memory of the victims whose voices were silenced; presented in partnership with Hillel of Greater Toronto.

12:00 NOON | YORK UNIVERSITY | CANADIAN CENTRE FOR GERMAN AND EUROPEAN STUDIES | 4700 KEELE STREET | ROOM 749 | YORK RESEARCH TOWER | TORONTO | 416–736–2100

Journée de formation professionnelle pour les enseignantes et enseignants
ÉVÉNEMENT EN FRANÇAIS
Lors de cette deuxième édition de la journée de formation professionnelle sur l’Holocauste destinée aux enseignant/es, des experts canadiens et français vont intervenir sur des sujets clés liés à la Shoah et à son enseignement. La partie conférences de l’événement va tenter de fournir un horizon des connaissances essentielles à la pratique de l’enseignant, qu’une partie ateliers viendra compléter avec de nombreuses tactiques pédagogiques et idées d’approche destinées à aider l’enseignant/e à aborder ce sujet délicat.

CONFÉRENCES
Les défis de l’approche comparatiste
La Shoah, un accident ? Le devoir d’histoire
Historien, Mémorial de la Shoah à Paris

La collaboration avec les nazis dans les différents pays d’Europe
Tal Bruttmann, historien, Mémorial de la Shoah à Paris

ATELIERS
Les Justes parmi les nations : ébauche d’un questionnement moral
Aurélien Bonin, éducateur, Fondation Azrieli

Le Canada face à l’Holocauste : ce que nous disent les documents d’archive
Sabrina Moisan, coordonnatrice des programmes éducatifs, Centre commémoratif de l’Holocauste à Montréal

L’Antisémitisme et le Fascisme au Canada pendant les années 30 et 40
Nathalie Sirois, éducatrice, Institut canadien pour l’éducation sur les génocides


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English text available on our website.

This program is generously co-sponsored by the Azrieli Series of Holocaust Survivor Memoirs. Members of the audience will receive sets of the series.

9H30 | COLLÈGE UNIVERSITAIRE GLENDON DE TORONTO
SENIOR COMMON ROOM DU YORK HALL | CAMPUS GLENDON
UNIVERSITÉ YORK | 2275 BAYVIEW AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–487–6724

ARC Ensemble: Music and Conscience | P28
Dark Family Secrets in the Land of Eternal Happiness: Soviet Jewish Efforts to Gain Recognition for Crimes against the Jews

Despite the fact that over one million Soviet Jews died in ghettos and concentration camps during the Second World War, information about the Holocaust was scarce during the postwar Soviet era and Jewish casualties were portrayed as part of general civilian losses. But those who perished were not forgotten. The information came from survivors, Jewish Partisans, soldiers who liberated the Ukraine and Byelorussia, non-Jewish eyewitnesses, from reporters and from works of literature.

How did they find out what happened to Jews during the Second World War? What did they choose to share, or not share, with family members and friends? How did they work within the Soviet system to demand accountability and justice for those victims of the Nazis?

Dr. Anna Shternshis was born in Moscow. The Al and Malka Green Associate Professor of Yiddish, she is currently cross-appointed between the German Department and the Center for Diaspora and Transnational Studies at the University of Toronto. The author of Soviet and Kosher: Jewish Popular Culture in the Soviet Union, 1923–1939, Shternshis is currently working on two book projects. She will also present this lecture in Russian on Monday, October 31 at 7:00 pm.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Abraham Ujazd, in memory and in honour of his entire family who perished in the Holocaust and in memory of his wife Violet, who passed away recently.

The Impetus to Speak: Holocaust Denial as a Catalyst for Survivor Testimony

Three Holocaust survivors will explain how Holocaust denial and the discovery of Nazi war criminals at large in Toronto prompted them to speak about their personal experiences. Vera Schiff, Faigie Libman and Judy Weissenberg Cohen are accomplished educators at the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre. Moderated by Carla Wittes.

Carla Wittes is Director, Programs, with the Canadian Centre for Diversity. She was instrumental in developing the innovative educational programs offered by CCD. Carla is the Director of March of Remembrance and Hope (Canada), a unique Holocaust education and leadership program for university students that is one of CCD’s core programs.

This program is generously co-sponsored by the Azrieli Series of Holocaust Survivor Memoirs. Members of the audience will receive sets of the series.

2:00 pm | RYERSON UNIVERSITY | HEASLIP HOUSE
297 VICTORIA STREET | 7TH FLOOR TORONTO | 416–979–5000 × 2078

Edith Stein’s 1933 Appeal to the Pope on Antisemitism

Edith Stein, a Jewish convert to Catholicism who was recognized as a saint in the Catholic Church in 1998, retained a lifelong, complex identification with the religion of her birth. Soon after the Nazis took power in Germany, she issued a passionate appeal to the Vatican, asking Pope Pius XI to intervene on behalf of German Jews, then suffering from Nazi persecution. Her appeal reached the desk of Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli, later to become the wartime Pope Pius XII. What happened to this appeal? HEW Scholar-in-Residence Dr. Michael R. Marrus will explore this incident and its wider significance. Dr. Mary Jo Leddy will offer her commentary on the topic.

For Dr. Michael R. Marrus’ bio, see page 9.

Dr. Mary Jo Leddy is Adjunct Professor, Regis College; Senior Fellow at Massey College, University of Toronto; and the founding editor of Catholic New Times. She is also the founder of the Romero House Community for Refugees. The author of several publications and an active member of human rights groups, Dr. Leddy received the Order of Canada in 1996.

2011 Scholar-in-Residence Michael R. Marrus is sponsored by Helena & Jeff Axler and families.

3:00 pm | UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO | REGIS COLLEGE
100 WELLESLEY STREET WEST | TORONTO | 416–922–5474

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 Closing Program & Kristallnacht Commemoration
When Eichmann “Walked” into our Home

WEDNESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER | 7:30 PM
BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE
1700 BATHURST STREET | TORONTO | 416 781-3514 × 34

Attorney Tami Raveh Hausner is the daughter of Gideon Hausner, Chief Prosecutor of the trial of Adolf Eichmann. On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the trial, Mrs. Raveh speaks about the transformational impact of the proceedings—on her family, her country, the State of Israel, and on Holocaust survivors and their descendants. Mrs. Raveh’s presentation is accompanied by segments of the film Ani Eheye Lahem Lepe which means, “I will speak on their behalf.” This film, produced by the Israel Broadcasting Authority (2005), is about the unique and multifaceted personality of the man who prosecuted Adolf Eichmann in the name of the Jewish people. Gideon Hausner served as the Attorney General of the State of Israel, a Knesset Member, a Minister of the Israeli Government and a Chairman of Yad Vashem. He dedicated his life to teaching the lessons of the Holocaust in Israel and all around the world. His daughter, Tami Raveh, is committed to perpetuating his achievements.

Born in 1945, Mrs. Raveh served Israel’s Ministry of Justice for twenty years, first as Assistant Attorney General and then as Head of the Town Planning Division. In 1994, she became Counsel at Yehuda Raveh & Co. In addition, she was Chairperson of the National Council for Democracy and Rule of Law. She is now chairperson of Channel 2 News Israel and member of the Council of Yad Vashem.

Closing Night of Holocaust Education Week will include a commemorative program on the 73rd anniversary of Kristallnacht with a candle lighting ceremony and the participation of Canadian War Veterans in honour of Remembrance Day. Closing Night is generously co-sponsored by Fasken Martineau. We also thank Bank of Nova Scotia, Bathurst/Sheppard Branch; Eleanor & Martin Maxwell, in memory of his sisters, Josephine & Erna Meisels who died in the Holocaust; and the Barry & Esther Naiberg Family Fund for their support. This program is Beth Tzedec Synagogue’s Anne Belle & Manuel E. Pusitz Annual Memorial Lecture.

During Holocaust Education Week, Canadian Society for Yad Vashem presents a special exhibit from Israel: “With Me Here Are Six Million Accusers” (Gideon Hausner)—The Eichmann Trial in Jerusalem. For more information about the exhibit, call 416–785–1333. We are grateful to Canadian Society for Yad Vashem for their assistance with this program.

**HEW-Related Programs**

**Pre-HEW Programs**

**My Personal Testimony**

Holocaust survivor **Jenny Eisenstein** was born and raised in Poland. At a young age, she was incarcerated in Auschwitz-Birkenau and Ravensbrück concentration camps. Jenny is a folk singer of Yiddish and Hebrew music and interprets poetry and music of the Holocaust. She will share her personal experiences in the Holocaust as part of the Sunday morning service. She will be accompanied by **Rick Kardonne**.

**SUNDAY, 23 OCTOBER | 1:00 PM | DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH**

1500 SOUTH GATEWAY ROAD (ACROSS 4500 DIXIE ROAD) MISSISSAUGA | 905-629-4473

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**Nicholas Winton: The Power of Good** **FILM**

This documentary tells the story of Nicholas Winton who worked to rescue hundreds of Jewish children on the eve of the Second World War. For a complete program description, see page 17. (2002, English, 64 minutes).

**Joan Shapero**, co-chair of the Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto’s Holocaust Remembrance Committee, will moderate a discussion after the screening.

**WEDNESDAY, 26 OCTOBER | 7:00 PM | SCARBOROUGH MISSIONS**

2685 KINGSTON ROAD | SCARBOROUGH | 416-261-7135

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**My Personal Testimony**

**Claire Baum** was born in Rotterdam, Holland. She survived in hiding with her sister from 1942–1945. Separated from their parents, they were raised as Christians by a Dutch family. At the end of the war, the sisters were miraculously reunited with their parents. Claire credits their survival to the courage and heroism of her parents and to the members of the Resistance.

**SUNDAY, 30 OCTOBER | 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM**

ST. PETER’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH (ERINDALE)
1745 DUNDAS STREET WEST | MISSISSAUGA | 905-828-2095 × 50

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**Sustaining Memories: Holocaust Survivor Memoir Writing Workshop**

This workshop will provide adults 50+ and graduate students with the skills required to collaborate with a Holocaust survivor to produce their written memoir. The completed manuscript will be submitted to the Holocaust Survivor Memoirs Program for future publication by the Azrieli Foundation.

Facilitated by **Dr. Paula David**, Gerontologist, Institute for Life Course and Aging, University of Toronto, The Chang School, Ryerson University.

**SUNDAY, 16, 23 OCTOBER & 6 NOVEMBER | THE AZRIELI FOUNDATION & RYERSON UNIVERSITY | G. RAYMOND CHANG SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION | CALL 416-322-5928 FOR INFORMATION**

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**Other Programs of Interest During Holocaust Education Week**

**Warsaw Ghetto Uprising** **PLAY**

The story of how one small victory of Warsaw ghetto fighters in January 1943 inspired future resistance against German troops. Save 15% off regular ticket prices: Seniors $30.74; Adults $32.99.

**TUESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER, 8:00 PM | SUNDAY, 6 NOVEMBER, 7:30 PM**

THE CITY PLAYHOUSE THEATRE | 1000 NEW WESTMINSTER DRIVE VAUGHAN | CALL FOR TICKETS 905–882–7469

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**From the Fires: Voices of the Holocaust** **PLAY**

Canadian premiere of the play about the life of Rachel Gold, a Berlin teenager, and her experiences from 1937 to 1945.


**WEDNESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER, 10:00 AM | THURSDAY, 3 NOVEMBER, 1:00 PM**

THE CITY PLAYHOUSE THEATRE | 1000 NEW WESTMINSTER DRIVE VAUGHAN | CALL FOR TICKETS 905–882–7469

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**Harlan: In the Shadow of Jew Süss** **FILM**

Acclaimed documentary examining Nazi propaganda film director Viet Harlan. (2008, Germany, 99 minutes). After each screening, writer and journalist **Adam Nayman** will lead a discussion.

No advance ticket sales. Tickets on sale at the door 15 minutes prior to screening times. Tickets are $15. Ages 18–35: $10 (7:30 pm screening only).

**SUNDAY, 6 NOVEMBER | 4:00 PM & 7:30 PM**

TORONTO JEWISH FILM SOCIETY | AL GREEN THEATRE MILES NADAL JCC | 750 SPADINA AVENUE | TORONTO 416–924–6211 × 606
HEW-Related Programs

Post-HEW Programs

Hidden Children & Lost Identity: My Personal Testimony

Gershon Willinger was born in Amsterdam, Holland in 1942 to German-Jewish parents who were later murdered in Sobibor in July 1943. He was placed in hiding as a very young orphan. In 1944, as a two-year-old child, he was deported on a children’s transport to Bergen-Belsen and later to Theresienstadt where he was liberated in 1945. He became a social worker and came to Canada in 1977.

THURSDAY, 10 NOVEMBER | 6:30 PM | RICHMOND HILL PUBLIC LIBRARY
1 ATKINSON STREET | RICHMOND HILL | 905–884–9288 × 307

No. 4 Street of Our Lady

This film tells the remarkable yet little-known story of Francisca Halamajowa. A Catholic woman in Sokal, a small town in Eastern Poland, she rescued 16 of her Jewish neighbors during the Holocaust while cleverly passing herself off as a Nazi sympathizer. (2009, English, 95 minutes)

THURSDAY, 10 NOVEMBER | 7:30 PM
CONGREGATION HABONIM | 5 GLEN PARK ROAD | TORONTO
416–782–7125

Should I Stay or Should I Go?: The Response of Rabbinic Leadership to the Holocaust

One of the more sensitive topics to emerge from recent research is the ambivalence of some Orthodox rabbinic leaders on the issue of emigration from Europe while it was still possible. Should rabbis have remained with their communities until the bitter end or did they have a responsibility to leave and create new Torah communities elsewhere? Why did some rabbis leave and some rabbis stay?

Dr. Kimmy Caplan of Bar Ilan University is one of the world’s leading experts on this dilemma.

THURSDAY, 10 NOVEMBER | 8:00 PM
TORAH IN MOTION
CONGREGATION B’NAI TORAH | 465 PATRICIA AVENUE | TORONTO
416–633–5770

South Africa and Quebec: The Response to Antisemitism in Two Different Jewish Communities

Between 1900 and 1950, several significant events contributed to a rise of antisemitism in both Quebec and South Africa. Despite the differences in the nature and origin of antisemitism in each region, both organized Jewish communities saw the necessity of combating it through judicial and political means. Responses included exercising influence through Jewish parliamentarians, monitoring antisemitism, using the courts to sue the perpetrators for libel and encouraging the Jewish constituency to vote for parties advocating for Jewish rights.

Samuel Zeev Konig, national director of Hillel Canada, was born in Vienna and grew up in Copenhagen. Samuel is a recipient of several awards and fellowships and is an active member of the Association for Austrian Studies.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Wendy & Arnold Blumenthal and family, in loving memory of Mary Blumenthal and Leon Blumenthal.

FRIDAY, 11 NOVEMBER | 7:45 PM | TEMPLE KOL AMI AT LEO BAEC
DAY SCHOOL | 36 ATKINSON AVENUE | THORNHILL | 905–709–2620

Shoah

Claude Lanzmann’s 9-hour documentary on the Holocaust will be screened in three instalments over consecutive Sundays following Holocaust Education Week. Lanzmann’s monumental oeuvre features gripping interviews with Holocaust survivors, witnesses, collaborators and bystanders. Lanzmann intersperses the interviewees with contemporary sequences of the places where the Nazi atrocities took place. The juxtaposition of past with present is jarring. (1985, re-released 2010, multiple languages, 544 minutes)

SUNDAY, 13, 20 & 27 NOVEMBER | 1:00 PM–4:00 PM
SARAH AND CHAIM NEUBERGER HOLOCAUST EDUCATION CENTRE
4600 BATHURST STREET, 4TH FLOOR | 416–631–5689

My Personal Testimony

Claire Baum will share her experiences during the Holocaust.

For a complete bio, see page 32.

SUNDAY, 13 NOVEMBER | 10:30 AM | ST. ANDREW’S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | 1579 ROYAL YORK ROAD | TORONTO | 416–247–0572

Books on Bayview—Jan Gross’s Fear: Antisemitism in Poland After Auschwitz

This session will discuss Jan Gross’ book, Fear: Antisemitism in Poland after Auschwitz and will be led by Rabbi Dr. Joe Kanofsky, Rabbi of Kehillat Shaarei Torah in Toronto and former Director of the Ronald S. Lauder Foundation in Poland. See page 25 for more about Jan Gross.

WEDNESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER | 7:30 PM | CHAPTERS | BAYVIEW VILLAGE
2901 BAYVIEW AVENUE | TORONTO | 416–222–6323

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**My Personal Testimony**

**Sally Wasserman** was born in Katowice, Poland in 1935. When the war began, her family was expelled and went to live in her father’s hometown, Dombrova. He was taken away and never seen again. When the Dombrova ghetto was liquidated, Sally’s mother hid her with an elderly Polish couple. She was 11 years old when she left Poland. She was sent to New York with 92 other Jewish orphans and immigrated to Canada in 1947.

**AJAX | SUNDAY, 6 NOVEMBER | 7:00 PM**
**B’NAI SHALOM V’TIKVAH | 27 BARRETT CRESCENT | 905–686–1115**

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**My Personal Testimony**

**Ada Wynston** will share her Holocaust survival story of rescue.

For a complete bio, see page 24.

**AURORA | THURSDAY, 3 NOVEMBER | 7:00 PM**
**AURORA UNITED CHURCH | 15186 YONGE STREET | 905–727–1935**

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**Our Personal Testimonies**

Howard and Nancy Kleinberg were born in the village of Wierzbnik, Poland and were raised in traditional, observant homes. By October 1942, their lives had changed forever. Before either of them had turned 20, Howard and Nancy endured years of forced labour, hunger, hardship, cruelty, forced marches, as well as internment in several concentration camps. After liberation from Bergen-Belsen in April 1945, they learned that their parents and most of their relatives, friends and neighbours had not survived. The story of how these two anguished, penniless and stateless teens met one another and then set about rebuilding their lives is inspiring.

**AURORA | TUESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER | 7:00 PM | AURORA HIGH SCHOOL 155 WELLINGTON STREET WEST | 905–727–3107**

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**Eichmann’s End—Love, Treachery, Death**

Director Raymond Ley’s 2010 film is a pulsating and cinematic recreation of the investigation into one of the darkest chapters in history. This beautifully recreated and gripping narrative reveals the events leading to the capture of the notorious Adolf Eichmann. (2010, English, Spanish, Hebrew, German with subtitles, 95 minutes). Following the screening, Marilyn Herbert will facilitate a discussion.

Co-sponsored by the Regional Jewish Communities of Ontario

**BARRIE | TUESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER | 7:00 PM**
**AM SHALOM SYNAGOGUE | 767 HURONIA ROAD | 705–792–3949**

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**Teaching About the Genocide of the Roma during the Holocaust**

Dr. Gerhard Baumgartner is an international expert on the fate of the Roma and Sinti people during the Holocaust. He will present curricular and teaching material of special interest to educators and students, developed as an initiative of the Task Force for International Remembrance on Holocaust Education, Remembrance and Research, to which he is an Austrian delegate.

To register, contact Sue Nugent by October 31 at snugent@barrday.com or 519–621–3620 × 1228. A light meal will be served.

This program is generously co-sponsored by Michael Buckstein, in loving memory of David Buckstein; and by the Regional Jewish Communities of Ontario.

**CAMBRIDGE | WEDNESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER | 4:00 PM**
**BARRDAY, INC. | 75 MOOREFIELD STREET | 519–621–3620 × 1228**
Ontario Region Programs

USC Shoah Testimonies come to McMaster University

**Dr. Stephen D. Smith**, the Executive Director of the USC Shoah Foundation Institute for Visual History and Education, will deliver a keynote talk at a launch event at McMaster University’s marking its first-in-Canada subscription to the full collection of the Shoah Foundation Institutes Visual History Archive of over 50,000 Holocaust testimonies. Dr. Smith will deliver remarks on the vital ethical, social, and educational role of witnessing in the shadow of the Holocaust and how that shapes our responses not only to that historical event but also to other acts of genocide and human rights crises.

**Dr. Stephen D. Smith** is Executive Director of the USC Shoah Foundation Institute for Visual History and Education. Dr. Smith founded the UK Holocaust Centre and co-founded the Aegis Trust for the prevention of crimes against humanity and genocide. He writes and lectures widely on responses to the Holocaust and genocide.

Co-sponsored by Madeleine and Monte Levy Virtual Museum of the Holocaust and the Resistance, the Hamilton Spectator, the Ontario Trillium Foundation, Hamilton Jewish Federation

**HAMILTON | THURSDAY, 3 NOVEMBER | 7:30 PM**

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**1280 MAIN STREET WEST | 905–525–9140 × 27790**

Kristallnacht Commemoration—
In the Name of Their Mothers: The Story of Irena Sendler

A stirring and heartfelt documentary film about Polish heroine Irena Sendler and her wartime network who saved the lives of thousands of Jewish children. All of the children rescued by Sendler’s network survived the Holocaust, and many were reunited with their Jewish families. The film features moving testimonies of Irena Sendler and her co-conspirators along with several of the children they rescued. Their stories—evoked through rare archival footage, family photographs and poetic re-creations shot in Warsaw—are a resounding testament to the power of moral courage, even in the darkest of times. Director **Mary Skinner** will introduce film and conduct a Q & A following the screening.

Co-sponsored by the Adas Israel Synagogue, the Hamilton Spectator, the Ontario Trillium Foundation, Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Toronto, Polish-Jewish Heritage Foundation of Canada/Toronto Chapter

**HAMILTON | WEDNESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER | 7:30 PM**

**THE HAMILTON JEWISH FEDERATION**

**125 CLINE AVENUE SOUTH | HAMILTON | 905–528–0039**

Transforming Holocaust Education in Our Schools—Annual Teacher’s Symposium on the Holocaust

In this interactive workshop, **Kay Andrews**, Educator-in-Residence for Holocaust Education Week 2011 (see page 27 for a complete bio), will present the latest pedagogical methods and classroom techniques for teaching about the Holocaust.

The program will include a light supper and Q & A component.

To register, contact Elaine Levine, Hamilton Jewish Federation, at 905–627–9922 × 24 or elevine@jewishhamilton.org.

Recommended for middle and high school educators.

This program is generously sponsored by Hamilton Jewish Federation Holocaust Education Committee, the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the Hamilton Spectator, Hamilton-Wentworth District Public and Catholic District School Boards

**HAMILTON | THURSDAY, 10 NOVEMBER | 3:45–6:00 PM**

**SIR ALLAN MACNAB SECONDARY SCHOOL**

**HAMILTON JEWISH FEDERATION HOLOCAUST EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**145 MAGNOLIA DRIVE | HAMILTON | 905–627–9922 × 24**

Teaching About the Genocide of the Roma during the Holocaust

Please see page 34 for a description of this program with **Dr. Gerhard Baumgartner**.

Contact the Limestone District School Board for reservations and complete program information. Meri MacLeod, Human Rights Advisor for LDSB, macleodm@limestone.on.ca.

Co-sponsored by the Regional Jewish Communities of Ontario.

**KINGSTON | TUESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER | 3:30 PM**

**LUMINISTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD | EMAIL FOR INFORMATION**
Genocide and the Law: Two Perspectives on the Challenges of Post-Atrocity Justice

Dr. Valerie Hébert, Lakehead University at Orillia, and Dr. Tomaz Jardim, Ryerson University, will each present a talk about the pursuit of justice in the aftermath of genocide and mass atrocity. Dr. Jardim will explore the specific case of the Mauthausen Trial, and the American approach used there, while Dr. Hébert will explain how transitional justice has evolved over the past three generations, and the emerging long-term effects and complications. These multi-faceted presentations will not only highlight the historical role of justice systems in societies traumatized by genocide and atrocity but will also provide present-day context for how contemporary governments and experts continue to grapple with justice in the aftermath of mass crime.

Mass Atrocity and the Courts: From Nuremberg to Jerusalem, Cape Town, and Kigali. Dr. Valerie Hébert is assistant professor of History and Interdisciplinary Studies at Lakehead University at Orillia. Her book Hitler's Generals on Trial: the Last War Crimes Tribunal at Nuremberg was published by University Press of Kansas in 2010. Her current research focuses on the evolution of transitional justice processes since 1945.

The Mauthausen Concentration Camp Trial: American Military Justice in Germany. Dr. Tomaz Jardim has taught at both Concordia University in Montreal and at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, WA, and is currently Assistant Professor of History at Ryerson University in Toronto. In November, Harvard Press will publish his first book, The Mauthausen Trial: American Military Justice in Germany.

For a complete program description, please visit the website at www.holocausteducationweek.com.

Co-sponsored by the Regional Jewish Communities of Ontario

ORILLIA | WEDNESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER | 7:00 PM
LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY AT ORILLIA | 500 UNIVERSITY AVENUE ROOM 1022 | 705–330–4008 × 2656

Eichmann’s End—Love, Treachery, Death FILM

Please see page 34 for a full program listing.

Co-sponsored by the Regional Jewish Communities of Ontario

PETERBOROUGH | WEDNESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER | 7:00 PM
BETH ISRAEL CONGREGATION | 775 WELLER STREET | 705–743–8671

Wine and War: The French, the Nazis & the Battle for France’s Greatest Treasure

When the German army invaded France in 1940, it began a campaign of pillaging the great French stores of wine. A little-known story concerns the dangerous and ingenious exploits of those who fought to keep France’s liquid treasure out of the hands of the Nazis. Don and Petie Kladstrup, authors of the book Wine and War, will discuss this remarkable story. Please see page 23 for complete program details.

Co-sponsored by the Regional Jewish Communities of Ontario

ST. CATHARINES | TUESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER | 7:30 PM
CONGREGATION B’NAI ISRAEL | 190 CHURCH STREET | 905–688–1016

My Personal Testimony

Leslie Meisels will share his story of survival during the Holocaust. Please see page 17 for details.

TRENTON | WEDNESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER | 7:00 PM
GOODWIN LEARNING CENTRE | 149 ENGLISH SETTLEMENT ROAD RR #4 | 613–475–1256

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September 22 to December 4, 2011
Koffler Gallery Off-Site at 80 Spadina Ave., Suite 501
Over the past 26 years, the Holocaust Education Centre on Sherman Campus has informed and inspired hundreds of thousands across Ontario. In its much larger future home in The Jewish Museum of Canada, the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre will expand in size and scope, launching a world-class array of new programming, exhibitions and resources.

The Centre will feature four galleries and a memorial, the Frank and Anita Ekstein Holocaust Resource Collection, the Joseph Gottdenker Family Institute for Civic Responsibility, the Sam and Yetta Brown Family Lecture Hall and the Radomski Docent Lounge.

Through projects like the Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre, UJA Federation’s Tomorrow Campaign is changing the landscape of Jewish Toronto.

To learn more, please contact the Tomorrow Campaign at 416-631-5737 or visit tomorrowcampaign.com

Holocaust Education Week engages thousands of participants and scores of partner organizations across the GTA and beyond, honouring survivors and teaching next generations. Please give generously to UJA’s Annual Campaign so that education and remembrance, along with many other programs that enrich Jewish life in Toronto, Israel and around the world, can thrive.
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Each year the Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre engages over 70,000 students, educators and community members through a vast array of programs and events.

Visit our museum, use our library, participate in our programs throughout the year.