VANCOUVER HOLOCAUST EDUCATION CENTRE Annual Report 2010 - 2011

VANCOUVER HOLOCAUST CENTRE SOCIETY

The Vancouver Holocaust Centre Society for Education and Remembrance was founded in 1983 by survivors of the Holocaust. The founders' goal, realized in 1994, was to leave a permanent legacy in the form of the Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre devoted to Holocaust based anti-racism education.

VANCOUVER HOLOCAUST EDUCATION CENTRE

The Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre is a teaching museum promoting human rights, social justice and genocide awareness. It is the leader in Holocaust education in British Columbia, reaching over 25,000 students annually. It produces acclaimed exhibits, innovative school programs and educational resources, including several online teaching exhibits. The VHEC presents numerous public and commemorative events. The Centre publishes a newsletter and maintains a museum collection, archives, public library and resource centre.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Ed Lewin, President Frieda Miller, Executive Director

Perspective is everything and the VHEC can appear to be different things to different people. If, for example, you were among the over 16,000 students who attended one of our Holocaust symposia this year, toured the exhibit on Muslim rescuers, participated in an interactive film workshop or heard a survivor speak, your VHEC visit likely represented one of the most moving experiences of your school career.

We know this to be true because, year after year, this is what young people have been telling us. Now, through social media we know that this is not only what they are telling us, it is also what they are texting, tweeting and facebooking their friends.

To the thousands of teachers from across Canada who regularly visit our website and to those more locally that attended this year's Shafran Teachers' Conference or visited our Centre with their classes, the VHEC has come to represent Holocaust education at its best. Teachers turn to the VHEC as a source of acclaimed teaching resources which make a unique contribution to the understanding of the Holocaust within a Canadian context.

To Holocaust survivors, the VHEC is a safe place to seek assistance with restitution claims or social services, as well as, a friendly gathering place where a stimulating afternoon program can be enjoyed along with some tea and pastry. To our survivor speakers, our Centre is seen as a place to engage youth and share difficult experiences while passing on important powerful messages of social responsibility, resilience and hope.

To our many public visitors, the VHEC is a bustling place delivering dozens of public lectures, film screenings and author readings as well coordinating all the major community-wide commemorative events including Kristallnacht, International Holocaust Remembrance Day, Wallenberg Day and Yom Hashoah.

What few see behind this on-going, incredible hub of activity is the hidden engine which drives it all: board and committee meetings, docent training sessions and volunteer appreciation events and of course the amazing work done by staff, the board and other volunteers to envision, plan and deliver exciting new programs and exhibits.

Our board's restructuring plan has resulted in a dynamic, engaged board, which is working hard to improve governance, programs and finances. Staff is, as always, focussed on the kind of original research and program and resources development for which they have become renowned. Together, board and staff have recently embarked on a visioning and long-range planning process for the Vancouver Holocaust Centre Society and the Education Centre to sustain us well into the future.

The VHEC is a small teaching museum, but one that has had a huge impact over the last 16 years. Today, it stands poised to deliver what promises to be one of our most compelling and significant exhibits ever, *Enemy Aliens: The Internment of Jewish Refugees in Canada*, 1940-1943. This exhibit, which will open in the spring of 2012, was made possible by a prestigious grant from the Canadian Historical Recognition Program of Citizenship and Immigration Canada with support from the Oasis Foundation. This important exhibit promises to be of national importance. Watch for it!

We have much work ahead of us, but we are confident that by working alongside our beloved survivors, who have been and continue to be our visionaries and builders, together with the on-going and tremendous support of our friends, the future is both bright and exciting.

Thank you, and may we continue to go from strength to strength.

EXHIBITS



The hands of Atlin Qeleshi holding a snapshot of Shalom Adixhes and her daughter Nina, a Jewish family rescued in Shkoder, Albania. Courtesy Eye Contact Foundation

ALBANIAN MUSLIM RESCUERS DURING THE HOLOCAUST: PHOTOGRAPHS BY NORMAN GERSHMAN

November 8, 2010 to April 15, 2011

Produced & Circulated by: Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion Museum

The exhibit presents portraits of Albanian Muslim rescuers and their descendants by American photographer Norman Gershman, who travelled through Albania and neighbouring Kosovo, gathering the stories of those who sheltered Jews. Accompanied by testimonies, these portraits give a human face to remarkable acts of altruism and courage.

RESCUE IN ALBANIA: AN UNTOLD STORY OF THE HOLOCAUST

November 8, 2010 to April 15, 2011

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| А. | Altreich | 131,800 |
| | Ostmark | 43.700 |
| | Ostgebiete | 420.000 |
| | Generalgouvernement | 2.284.000 |
| | Bialystok | 400.000 |
| | Protektorat Böhmen und Mähren Estland – judenfrei – | 74.200 |
| | Lettland - Judenirei - | 3.500 |
| | Litauen | 34.000 |
| | Belgien | 43.000 |
| | Dänemark | 5.600 |
| | Frankreich / Besetztes Gebiet | 165.000 |
| | Unbesetztes Gebiet | 700.000 |
| | Griechenland Niederlande | 69.600 |
| | Norwegen | 1.300 |
| | Morwegen | 1.300 |
| В. | Bulgarien | 48.000 |
| | England | 330.000 |
| | Finnland | 2.300 |
| | Irland Italien einschl. Sardinien | 4.000 |
| | Albanien | 200 |
| | Kroatien | 40.000 |
| | Portugal | 3.000 |
| | Rumänien einschl. Bessarabien | 342.000 |
| | Schweden | 8.000 |
| | Schweiz Serbien | 18.000 |
| | Slowakei | 10.000 |
| | Spanien | 6.000 |
| | Türkei (europ. Teil) | 55.500 |
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Produced by: the Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre, 2010

Exhibit Curators: Nina Krieger & Frieda Miller Research: Alia Dharssi & Jonathan Neufeld

Design: Kazuko Kusumoto

In Albania, with a pre-war Jewish population of only 200, acts of rescue contributed to the survival of 1,800 to 2,000 Jews, most of whom were refugees from other countries. As Albania was 70% Muslim at the time, most rescuers were Muslim, although Christian Albanians also assisted in sheltering Jews. As a result of both Muslim and Christian dedication to Besa, the Albanian code of honour, the Jewish population of Albania grew to nine times its pre-war size to about 1,800 Jews at liberation. The Albanian experience during the Holocaust reveals not only the determination of the Nazis to systematically annihilate European Jews, but also the possibilities that existed for resistance.

High-ranking Nazi officials discussed the "Final Solution to the Jewish Question" at the Wannsee Conference in a suburb of Berlin on January 20, 1942 and reviewed a list of the Jewish populations in each European country, including Albania's population of 200 Jews. The Nazis' goal was to make Europe "Judenrein", or "free of Jews," through policies of systematic murder.

- House of the Wannsee Conference Memorial and Education Site

ALBANIAN MUSLIM RESCUERS DURING THE HOLOCAUST

SCHOOL PROGRAM

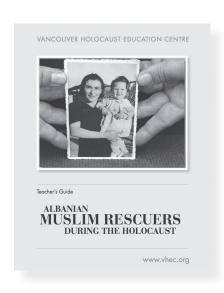
ALBANIAN MUSLIM RESCUERS DURING THE HOLOCAUST: PHOTOGRAPHS BY NORMAN GERSHMAN RESCUE IN ALBANIA: AN UNTOLD STORY OF THE HOLOCAUST

November 8, 2010 - April 15, 2011

Over 110 classes – approximately 3300 students – participated in the VHEC's interactive school program which linked the extraordinary portraits and stories of rescue featured in the exhibit to an exploration of social responsibility and decision-making during times of moral crisis. The program also featured a presentation by a Holocaust survivor speaker or a film workshop.

"My parent chaperones and students felt that this was a valuable, life-changing experience."

- Gabriella Finnigan, Grade 7 Teacher, Our Lady of Fatima School



TEACHER'S GUIDE

The VHEC produced a teaching resource with pre- and post-visit activities to accompany the exhibits *Albanian Muslim Rescuers During the Holocaust: Photographs by Norman Gershman* and *Rescue in Albania: An Untold Story of the Holocaust.* The guide was made available for download on the VHEC website, ensuring that teachers' had easy access to material in advance of their visits and beyond the duration of the VHEC's exhibitions.

Made possible through the generous support of the Mordehai and Hana Wosk Family Endowment Fund of the Vancouver Holocaust Centre Society.

The VHEC's archive of online learning resources, in particular *More Than Just Games:* Canada & the 1936 Olympics, Nuremberg: A Student Mock Trial of Julius Streicher and Open Hearts - Closed Doors, continue to be widely used by educators across British Columbia and beyond.

DOCENT TRAINING

October 5 - November 26, 2010

Nina Krieger, VHEC Education Director

A team of over 25 dedicated volunteer docents participated in 7 intensive docent training sessions in preparation for leading school groups through the VHEC's new exhibit. Sessions included lectures at SFU with Randi Winter, Laura Kruger and Bill Jeffries, discussions of readings, exhibit walk-throughs, and workshops of docent scripts.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHERS

October 22, 2010

BC SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Nina Krieger, VHEC Education Director

The session highlighted the Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre's resources promoting social justice, human rights and genocide awareness. The workshop focused on curriculum guides for Social Studies 6 & 11, a teaching website devoted to the 1936 Olympics with links to the Benchmarks of Historical Thinking, and the new teacher's guide accompanying the VHEC's 2010/11 exhibit, *Albanian Muslim Rescuers During the Holocaust.* 70 Social Studies teachers from across the province were in attendance.

November 12, 2010

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA STUDENT TEACHER TRAINING

Nina Krieger, Education Director

A session devoted to Holocaust education and the *Albanian Muslim Rescuers* exhibit and teacher's guide, for all student teachers in the Social Studies cohort at UBC.

June 9 & 10, 2010

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY STUDENT TEACHER TRAINING

Nina Krieger, Education Director

A session devoted to Holocaust education and the *Albanian Muslim Rescuers* exhibit and teacher's guide, for all student teachers in the Social Studies cohort at SFU.

YAD VASHEM INTERNATIONAL SUMMER PROGRAM B.C. ALUMNI REUNION

February 10, 2011

Stephanie McMahon-Kaye, Desk for International Seminars in English, Yad Vashem Yaron Ashkenazi, Executive Director, Canadian Society for Yad Vashem

The VHEC hosted alumni of the International Summer Program at Yad Vashem. Presentations were given by Stephanie McMahon-Kaye and Yaron Ashkenazi regarding the importance of the program and building a network of Canadian alumni.

Sponsored by Anita Shafran

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHERS

7TH BIENNIAL SHAFRAN TEACHERS' CONFFRENCE

February 11, 2011

Stephanie McMahon-Kaye, Desk for International Seminars in English, Yad Vashem

The VHEC hosted 60 educators from B.C. and Washington State at the 7th Biennial Shafran Teachers' Conference. VHEC docents were also present at the event.



VHEC 7th Biennial Shafran Teachers' Conference

"This conference – as always – was exceptional. I was hanging on every word! Thank you for the thought-provoking program."

- Conference participant

Sponsored by the Dave & Lil Shafran Endowment Fund.

Echoes and Reflections presented by The International School for Holocaust Studies, Yad Vashem, Jerusalem in partnership with and with support from the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem. Participants received sets of the Azrieli Series of Holocaust Survivor Memoirs courtesy of the Azrieli Foundation.

SYMPOSIA ON THE HOLOCAUST

ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM ON THE HOLOCAUST AT UBC

May 4 & 5, 2011

Professor Chris Friedrichs, University of British Columbia Keith Morgan, journalist for *The Province* and author of *Ruta's Closet*

Over 1,000 senior secondary students from 26 schools participated in the 36th Annual Symposium on the Holocaust at UBC. In addition to hearing from an historian and keynote speaker, Keith Morgan, students screened the film *World at War: Genocide*, heard from local Holocaust survivor speakers, asked questions of a distinguished panel, and participated in a candle-lighting tribute in honour of all victims of the Holocaust. Schools in attendance received a copy of the book *Ruta's Closet* courtesy of the VHEC Leo Krell Memorial Book Fund.







"There is nothing more valuable than hearing the stories of survivors. It makes my teaching more real for my students."

- Kyle Ludeman, Teacher, Garibaldi Secondary School

Supported by the Edwina & Paul Heller Holocaust Education Fund, the Sid & Sylvia Eibschutz Endowment Fund, the Sophie Waldman Endowment Fund of the VHEC, the Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver, the University of British Columbia, the Leo Krell Memorial Book Fund, the Meyer & Gita Kron and Ruth Kron Sigal Fund for Excellence in Holocaust Education, and with the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia.



VHEC Symposiun

DISTRICT SYMPOSIA

The VHEC presented four thought provoking and educational half-day symposia programs – reaching more than 2,300 students – in partnership with school districts across the province:

Burnaby

November 16, 2010

Professor Chris Friedrichs, Holocaust Educator Robbie Waisman, Holocaust Survivor

Coquitlam

November 3, 2010

Kit Krieger, Holocaust Educator Peter Parker, Holocaust Survivor

Surrey

November 18, 2010

Kit Krieger, Holocaust Educator Alex Buckman, Holocaust Survivor

West Vancouver

March 1, 2011

Professor Chris Friedrichs, Holocaust Educator Peter Parker, Holocaust Survivor

Supported by the Vaisler Family in honour of Syd and Sari Vaisler & The Lovi Memorial Endowment Fund of the VHEC in honour of Anna (Abrahamsohn) Lovi, Dr. Joseph Lovi & Dr. Maria Lovi; with the financial support of the Province of British Columbia.

AWARDS



KRON SIGAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN HOLOCAUST EDUCATION

2011 Kron Sigal Award Recipient Dale Martelli, Vancouver Technical Secondary School

A prize of \$500 was presented to Dale Martelli at the 36th Annual Symposium on the Holocaust at the University of British Columbia in recognition of his outstanding commitment to Holocaust education.

Supported by the Kron Sigal family in memory of Meyer and Gita Kron and Ruth Kron Sigal.



YAD VASHEM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL FOR HOLOCAUST SCHOLARSHIPS

July 11-29, 2010

Scott Anderson, Pacific Torah Institute

For the fifth year, the VHEC administered a scholarship to send British Columbia educators to study at the International School for Holocaust Education at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem, Israel. During the intensive three-week Summer International Seminar, participants learn from scholars and educators with decades of experience in the field of Holocaust education and research

Supported by Anita Shafran, Elaine and Zev Shafran, and Yosef Wosk.

"It is my belief that professional development is essential to my continued success in the classroom and my growth as an educator. The Yad Vashem Summer International Seminar provided me with many skills, best practices and perspectives in Holocaust Education. The ability to learn from so many amazing Holocaust scholars was truly a once in a lifetime experience that changed the way in which I approach Holocaust education in my classroom."

- Scott Anderson, Pacific Torah Institute

SURVIVOR OUTREACH



Dr. Robert Krell, VHEC Founder & Holocaust survivor speaker with students

"Hearing a survivor's story was both a shocking and eye-opening experience for me. I already had some knowledge and understanding of what took place during World War II, but to hear first-hand from a survivor of the Holocaust was a once in a lifetime opportunity."

- Student response to Holocaust survivor speaker

This year, the VHEC's dedicated group of Outreach Speakers addressed some 10,00 students in 40 schools. Several speakers traveled to communities beyond the Lower Mainland, including Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Washington State and Omaha.

In student and teacher feedback about the VHEC programs, as well as in letters to survivor speakers, audiences repeatedly emphasize the importance and unique impact of eyewitness testimony.

OMMEMORATION



Candlelighting; Holocaust survivor Margaret Fraeme and Hillel student

KRISTALLNACHT

November 7, 2010

JUST AS RAIN FALLS AND THE RIVER FILLS: ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSES OF GENOCIDE

Dr. Reva Adler Faculty of Medicine, University of British Columbia

The commemorative lecture at Beth Israel Synagogue marked the Nazi state sponsored "Night of Broken Glass" of November 9, 1938.

Supported by Congregation Beth Israel and Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver Endowment Fund.

WALLENBERG DAY

January 16, 2011

Film Screening | DÉSOBÉIR

This program was a film in honour of Raoul Wallenberg.

Supported by the Consulate of Sweden and the Second Generation Group of the VHEC.

INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

January 26, 2011

Film Screening | LA FINESTRA DI FRONTE / FACING WINDOW

The event marked the Auschwitz liberation date of January 27th with a film featuring Italian performers.

Supported by Istituto Italiano di Cultura under the high patronage of the President of the Italian Republic and under the auspices of the Consulate General of Italy in Vancouver, Norman Rothstein Theatre, with the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia.



Candle Lighting; Yom HaShoah Commemorative Evening

YOM HASHOAH

May 1, 2011

Lillian Boraks Nemetz, Child Survivor

The commemorative evening featuresd a survivor speaker, candle lighting and a musical program. This year all survivors were invited to participate in the candle lighting ceremony and 47 participated.

Supported by the Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver with support from the Gail Feldman Heller Endowment Fund and Sarah Rozenberg-Warm Memorial Endowment Fund of the VHEC, Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver Endowment Fund, with the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia.

CEMETERY SERVICES

September 12, 2010

Daniel Maki, student, gave personal reflections on the Holocaust.

PUBLIC PROGRAMS



CHERIE SMITH JEWISH BOOK FESTIVAL

October 24, 2010

A SALON WITH YANN MARTEL Author, Yann Martel

Booker Prize Winner Yann Martel in conversation and reading from his new bestseller *Beatrice* & *Virgil*. This unique salon and cocktail reception offered a unique opportunity for one-on-one conversation with the world renowned writer, as he shared the astonishing themes and perspectives in his writing including the fictional portrayal of the Holocaust in his most recent novel.

Supported by the Lövi Memorial Endowment Fund of the VHEC.



VANCOUVER JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

November 14, 2010

Ridge Theatre

BERLIN'36

Director: Kaspar Heidelbach / Germany 2009

Based on the life of Gretel Bergmann, a German-Jewish high jumper who was forced to join the German Olympic team. Speaker following film: Karen James.

Supported by Rabbi Yosef Wosk, Karen James.



AGM- FILM SCREENING

June 15, 2011

ARTICLE OF HOPE

Director: Daniel Cohen / Documentary USA 2010

Film tells the tragic story of the crew of the Space Shuttle Columbia and focuses on a tiny Torah scroll born out of the Holocaust that was brought on board by Israel's first astronaut.

Presented by the Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver & Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre

SURVIVORS & FUTURE GENERATIONS

SURVIVOR SERVICES

A range of services is offered to benefit local Holocaust survivors, whose needs are assessed and addressed. This year about 100 survivors received 160 services, including: financial aid, group support, referrals for professional counselling, housing and health care advocacy, restitution and compensation assistance and social and educational activities.

Supported by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.



HOLOCAUST RESTITUTION

Volunteer lawyer Stan Taviss met with approximately 40 survivors this year to assist them in completing forms and processing restitution and compensation claims and appeals, including many for the Hardship Fund, which has recently been revised. Over the last 10 years, over 300 survivors have been assisted, resulting in 214 reported claims for a total compensation of an over 2 million dollars.

SURVIVOR DROP-IN

A group of 20-40 survivors meets monthly to socialize and participate in a variety of programs, guest speakers and lively question and discussion periods. Special outings are organized as well as an annual Chanukah party and Passover seder. Organized by Gloria Waisman and Gerri London.

CHILD SURVIVOR GROUP

The group meets monthly at the VHEC or at members' homes for special occasions and a joint meeting is organized annually with the Second Generation group. The group participates in Kristallnacht and Yom HaShoah and lays a large wreath at the City of Vancouver Remembrance Day ceremonies. Lillian Boraks Nemetz edits the *No Longer Alone* section in *Zachor* that explores child survivor experiences.

SECOND GENERATION GROUP

The group meets to discuss issues related to the second generation experience and the Holocaust and to witness each other's life stories. There are 120 members on the email list. Activities include social events, an annual Chanukah party, and an annual writing workshop. This year, the group met with the Child Survivor Group for a retreat and shared placing a wreath at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Day. The group coordinates the VHEC annual Raoul Wallenberg Day and this year sponsored the film *As Seen Through These Eyes* on Remembrance Day at the Vancouver Jewish Film Festival.

RESOURCES

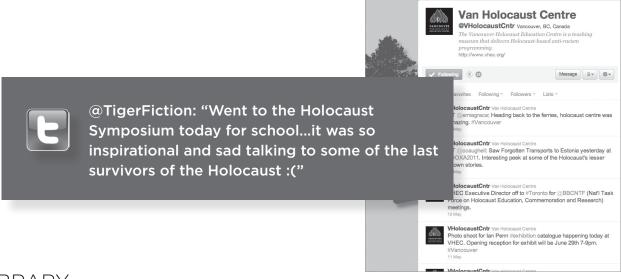
WFBSITE

The VHEC website received 70,000 unique visitors over the past year. Most of the VHEC's teacher's guides are available online and attract thousands of downloads. The teacher's guide More Than Just Games has been downloaded over 2,000 times since it was posted in October 2009. The More Than Just Games website received over 4,000 unique visits since it was launched in February 2010. The most recent teacher's guide Albanian Muslim Rescuers During the Holocaust has been downloaded 452 times since it was posted in October 2010.

Secure online donations and payments can now be made on the website through CanadaHelps.org.

SOCIAL MEDIA

The librarian continues to use the social media sites Facebook and Twitter to promote VHEC events, programming and resources, and to share Holocaust-related information that we think will be of interest to the individuals who 'like' and 'follow' us on these sites. We currently have 468 page "likes" on Facebook and 429 followers on Twitter. Beyond these numbers, Facebook and Twitter are providing opportunities to reach new audiences and to engage with individuals and organizations. We were pleased, for example, to find positive feedback posted to Twitter from students who attended the May 2011 Symposium on the Holocaust. These social media sites are also allowing us to work with other museums and organizations in the Lower Mainland to cross-promote events. In the coming year we plan to build on our success with *Facebook* and *Twitter* by improving how we communicate information through these sites and by developing a social media policy.



LIBRARY

This year the librarian focused on reviewing, updating and developing library policies and on creating a library procedures manual. Other projects undertaken this past year included reviewing the library's foreign-language collection, continuing the development of Rare Books & Special Collections, improving the cataloguing of the library's education resources, and adding a new books list to the VHEC's Facebook site using Library Thing. Thank you to everyone who made donations to the library this past year.

COLLECTION & ARCHIVE



Henri Pieck Lithographs, Buchenwald, 1945. - Johanna Van Barneveld Collection vHEC

It has been a busy year for the VHEC Archives and Collection. Two grant applications to the National Archival Development Program were prepared and notification received that we have been awarded both grants. Work on both projects will be undertaken this summer. The first of which is the development of a Disaster Preparedness Plan for the archives and collection. The second project is the arrangement, description and preservation of the Gottfried Collection to best practice standards enabling better access for research and education. The Gottfried Collection is one of the Archive's most comprehensive collections of materials on one extended family and their life prior to, during and after the Holocaust.

New survivor testimonies were accessioned into the collection as part of the ongoing Video Testimonies Project. An inventory of the collection is ongoing. Additionally, a number of new materials were accessioned into the collection this past year including wartime correspondence, artworks, and some 1936 Olympic artefacts from donors inspired by the "More Than Just Games: Canada & the 1936 Olympics" exhibition. Many thanks to those who generously donated items to the archives and collection this year.

VOLUNTEERS

In the past year VHEC staff worked with over 100 specifically-skilled unpaid people who performed many different roles. Among other things they were survivors' friends, docents, board directors, library assistants, archivist assistants, compensation seekers, notaries, outreach speakers, photographers, mail assistants, book reviewers, facilitators, historians, translators & committee members. Thank you to this devoted group of volunteers.

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SPEAKERS

Janos Benisz, Lillian Boraks Nemetz, Alex Buckman, Marion Cassirer, Mariette Doduck, David Ehrlich, Bill Gluck, Serge Haber, Katy Hughes, Chaim Kornfeld, Robert Krell, Inge Manes, Bente Nathan Thomsen, Peter Parker, Claude Romney, Louise Sorensen, Peter Suedfeld, Tom Szekely, Robbie Waisman; Coordinator: Rita Akselrod



Docent Arlene James and students

DOCENTS

Alexandra Baird, Beth Bogner, Rajiv Cowasjee, Pamela Cyr, Fay Davis, Reva Dexter, Myriam Dinim, Debby Freiman, Phillipa Friedland, Belinda Gutman, Melissa Hadfield, Caroline Harris, Arlene James, Linda Kelly, Catherine Kohm, Joel Kohm, Uma Kumar, Rayka Kumru, Shoshana Krell-Lewis, Lucien Lieberman, Ivan Linde, Alexis Martis, Ellen Millman, Jonathan Neufeld, Cathy Paperny, Stephanie Rice, Gita Silver, Rina Vizer, Stevie Wilson, Heather Wolfe, Allan Wood, Allan Wu

OLUNTEERS

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COMMITTEES

CHILD SURVIVOR GROUP

Alex Buckman (President), Lillian Boraks Nemetz, Claude Romney, David Schaffer, Tom Szekely

KRISTALLNACHT

Cynthia Bluman, George Bluman (Chair), Debby Freiman, Chris Friedrichs, Rayka Kumru, Richard Menkis, Judy Oberlander

SECOND GENERATION GROUP

Alan Le Fevre (contact person)

SURVIVOR DROP-IN

Gerri London, Gloria Waisman

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Jonathan Friedrichs, Odie Kaplan, Kit Krieger, Tom Morton, Peter Seixas, Andrea Webb, Sari Zack Weintraub

YOM HASHOAH

Cathy Golden, Ethel Kofsky

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Istituto Italiano di Cultura

Jewish Community Centre of Greater Vancouver

Jewish Federation of Greater Vancouver

National Archival Development Program

Norman Rothstein Theatre, JCCGV International Holocaust Remembrance Day

Province of British Columbia

Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions and Summer Career Placement

GRANTS FOR - ENEMY ALIENS: THE INTERNMENT OF JEWISH REFUGEES IN CANADA, 1940 - 1943

Community Historical Recognition Program of the Department of Citizenship & Immigration Canada

Oasis Foundation

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

Association of Holocaust Organizations (AHO)

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Canadian Museums Association (CMA)

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