Upcoming Meetings and Events

Call for Applications: the European Summer Institute on the Holocaust and Jewish Civilisation. The Institute, organized by HEF and the Holocaust Research Institute at Royal Holloway, University of London, with the support of Pears Foundation, will take place from Monday 29 June - Wednesday 8 July 2020 at the Royal Holloway campus, Egham, Surrey, in England. This programme is an intensive 10-day residential course designed to broaden and deepen the background of postgraduates in Holocaust studies, early career academics and educators in relevant fields. It is open to full- or part-time PhD students (particularly those in their final year of study), full- or part-time academic staff, and educators at recognised institutions such as museums and archives. Applications should include a statement of 500 words, explaining the prospective Fellow’s interest and experience in Holocaust studies and intentions for teaching the Holocaust; a curriculum vitae (maximum five pages); plus, a letter of recommendation from a doctoral supervisor or line manager. Applications should be submitted, using email, by Friday 20 March 2020 to Imogen Dalziel, Programme Manager: HolocaustRI@live.rhul.ac.uk.

Call for Abstracts: Writing the Unwritable – Postmemorial Work, an Inter-disciplinary Approach Examining Various Forms of Holocaust Memory and their Impact on Future Generations. The conference aims to portray and analyze the postmemorial endeavours of 2nd, 3rd, and 4th generations of relatives of Holocaust survivors and of people whose families did not experience the Holocaust directly but were alive at the time. It is an interdisciplinary project, drawing from varying fields such as Holocaust studies, psychoanalysis, journal and memoir writing, hermeneutics and the arts. This conference involves an inter-disciplinary approach, incorporating personal, historical, and hermeneutical approaches. The conference will be hosted at Bar-Ilan University and the University of Haifa from January 6-7, 2021. The conference will be conducted both in Hebrew and English, without simultaneous translations. Please send an abstract (300 words) and a short relevant bio (150 words) in English to postmemory2021@gmail.com by Sunday, March 1, 2020. For more information, see https://www.hum-il.com/message/9091616/.

The 50th Annual Scholars Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches will take place from March 7-10, 2020, at the University of Texas at Dallas. For more information, see https://www.utdallas.edu/ackerman/asc/.

Space in Holocaust Research, an Interdisciplinary Conference, will take place from March 23-26, 2020 in Hamburg, Germany. For more information, see http://igdj-hh.de/news-leser-152/konzeptpapier-interdisziplinaere-konferenz-space-in-holocaust-research-maerz-2020.html.

Democracy under Threat in Times of Populism and Racial Nationalism, an Interdisciplinary Conference, will take place on April 10-11, 2020 at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. This is an initiative of the University of Minnesota in partnership with Howard University, Spelman College and Morehouse College. For more information, see https://icgc.umn.edu/events/5232/interdisciplinary-conference-democracy-under.

HEF Summer Institute on the Holocaust and Jewish Civilization. HEF's Summer Institute will take place at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL, USA from June 22 – July 3, 2020. The annual Summer Institute was created with the intention of helping teachers and graduate students gain a background in
Holocaust studies in preparation for teaching courses on the Holocaust at their home institutions. The program includes intensive seminars on Holocaust studies and related topics conducted by some of the field’s top experts. For more information, visit https://www.hef.northwestern.edu/summer-institutes/northwestern/.

The 7th Polish-Israeli Young Scholars Workshop on the History and Culture of Polish Jews will take place in Kraków from June 29 to July 2, 2020. The organizers expect presentations from young scholars whose dissertations are dealing with any aspects of the history and culture of Polish Jews and heritage of Polish Jewry in Israel, Poland and Diaspora. For more information, see https://jewish-history.biu.ac.il/files/jewish-history/shared/call_for_papers_for_the_7th_polish-israeli_young_scholars_workshop_2020.pdf.

The 115th American Sociological Association Annual Meeting will be held from August 8-11, 2020 in San Francisco. Visit the Call for Submissions page for more information: https://www.asanet.org/annual-meeting-2020/call-submissionsvolunteers.

The 26th Annual Jewish American and Holocaust Literature Symposium will take place from October 25-28, 2020 at The Betsy Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. For more information, fill out the form at http://www.jahlit.com/contact.

Lessons and Legacies Conference on the Holocaust XVI will take place from November 7-10, 2020 in Ottawa, Canada. The conference is sponsored by the Holocaust Educational Foundation of Northwestern University, and hosted by Carleton University and the University of Ottawa. This year's theme is “The Holocaust: Rethinking Paradigms in Research and Representation.” For more information, visit https://www.hef.northwestern.edu/lessons-and-legacies-conference/lessons-and-legacies-2020/.

Recent Meetings and Events

The Centre for Holocaust Education and Scholarship (CHES) at the Zelikovitz Centre for Jewish Studies, Carleton University, organized its annual Holocaust Education Month (HEM) from November 1-30, 2019. Organized by Volunteer Director Mina Cohn, HEM consisted of an array of lectures, programs, and educational activities. Deborah E. Lipstadt, Dorot Professor of Modern Jewish History and Holocaust Studies at Emory University, served as the event's keynote speaker, presenting “Antisemitism: Old Wine in New Bottles” to commemorate the anniversary of Kristallnacht. Artist Yuri Doj also presented a project entitled, “Last Folio, Memories of Jewish Life in Slovakia,” at Kehillat Beth Israel (KBI).

The IHRA Expert Workshop on Memory Laws took place in late July, 2019. From the website: “From 29 – 30 July, 2019, the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) held an expert workshop as part of its project on the topic of Memory laws under its five-year priority theme ‘Countering Holocaust Distortion and Safeguarding the Record’. The workshop brought together renowned international experts to discuss the status, efficacy, and impact of memory laws, as well as research on them to date.”

International Holocaust Day was commemorated by The Zelikovitz Centre for Jewish Studies at Carleton University, Ottawa on January 27, 2020. This commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust is an annual program in Ottawa and includes the larger community as well as the Jewish community.