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**Holocaust Museum Houston to Bring Author of *New York Times* Bestseller,  
*The Tattooist of Auschwitz*, to Houston**

- Museum will host book signing at the Evelyn Rubenstein JCC -

**HOUSTON, TX (April 8, 2019)** . . . Holocaust Museum Houston (HMH) will host *New York Times* Bestselling author Heather Morris for a free public lecture and book signing on April 24, 2019, from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center. Morris's award-winning novel, *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*, is a powerful portrait of courage, sacrifice and compassion.

*The Tattooist of Auschwitz* is based on the experiences of Slovakian Jew, Lale Sokolov, who was transported to the concentration camps at Auschwitz-Birkenau in 1942. His fluency in multiple languages earned him a promotion from hard labor to the job of Tätowierer, the inmate responsible for tattooing a string of numbers on the arm of each new arrival. While on duty, he calms a petrified young woman about to react unwisely under his needle – and quickly begins to fall in love with Gita, prisoner 34902.

"I tattooed her number on her left hand," Sokolov recalled in an interview with Morris, "and she tattooed her number in my heart."

This event is co-sponsored by and will take place at the Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center at 5601 S. Braeswood Blvd., Houston, TX 77096. Books will be available for purchase for a book signing after the lecture. Admission is free, but seating is limited and advance registration is required. To RSVP online, visit [hmh.org](http://hmh.org).

Holocaust Museum Houston is temporarily located one mile south of NRG Stadium at 9220 Kirby Drive, Suite 100, Houston, TX 77054. Museum hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. Museum admission is \$12 for adults; \$8 for active-duty military and AARP members; free for children, students and college-level students with valid ID; and free on Sundays. For more information, visit [hmh.org](http://hmh.org) or call 713-942-8000.

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**ABOUT HOLOCAUST MUSEUM HOUSTON**

Holocaust Museum Houston, a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization founded in 1996 by Houston-area Holocaust Survivors, their descendants and members of the community, is accredited by The American Alliance of Museums. Average annual attendance is

110,000 visitors, including more than 71,000 middle and high school students. The Museum is dedicated to educating people about the Holocaust, remembering the 6 million Jews and other innocent victims and honoring the survivors' legacy. Using the lessons of the Holocaust and other genocides, we teach the dangers of hatred, prejudice and apathy.