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Internationally Bestselling Author Joseph Kanon Coming to Holocaust Museum Houston

--Book signing to follow Q&A with Houston Public Media's Ernie Manouse--

Houston (January 21, 2020) . . . New York Times bestselling author Joseph Kanon will discuss his most recent novel, *The Accomplice*, on February 6, 2020, starting at 6:30 p.m. at Holocaust Museum Houston. The free program, one of the Museum's 75th Anniversary of WWII commemorative activities, will feature a conversation with Houston Public Media's Ernie Manouse, followed by a book signing.

Kanon's novels are set in historical moments of conflict and transition, including Berlin after the war, Los Alamos and Istanbul. *The Accomplice* follows a chase for a former Nazi to Buenos Aires. Enlisting the help of a German newspaper reporter, an Israeli agent and the obliging CIA station chief in Buenos Aires, the story's protagonist hunts down a concentration camp doctor who worked with Mengele on appalling experiments and sent his family to their death at Auschwitz.

<u>Joseph Kanon</u> is the internationally bestselling author of nine novels, which have been published in 24 languages: *Los Alamos*, which won the Edgar Award for best first novel; *The Good German*, which was made into a film starring George Clooney and Cate Blanchett; *The Prodigal Spy, Alibi*, which earned Kanon the Hammett Award of the International Association of Crime Writers; *Leaving Berlin* and *The Defectors*. He is also a recipient of The Anne Frank Human Writers Award for his writings on the aftermath of the Holocaust.

Ernie Manouse is an eleven-time Emmy Award winning TV anchor, producer, and host, known for the Houston Public Media produced series: *InnerVIEWS with Ernie Manouse* (which ran for 15 seasons on PBS stations across the country); the arts magazine show *Arts InSight*, and the nationally-syndicated, top-rated Downton Abbey-inspired talk show, *Manor of Speaking*. Manouse's current projects include hosting and producing Houston Public Media's weekly radio series *Next Question with Ernie Manouse*, the web and television initiative *Mockingbird & Armadillo*, and the performing arts podcast and radio show *Unwrap Your Candies Now* with Catherine Lu.

A Conversation with Author Joseph Kanon, Moderated by Ernie Manouse, takes place Thursday, February 6 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Holocaust Museum Houston, Lester and Sue Smith Campus, 5401 Caroline Street. Underwritten by Carol and David Neuberger, the event is free and open to the public with advance registration required. For more information or to register, please visit hmh.org/JosephKanon.

ABOUT HOLOCAUST MUSEUM HOUSTON

Holocaust Museum Houston, Lester and Sue Smith Campus, 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 130,000 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.