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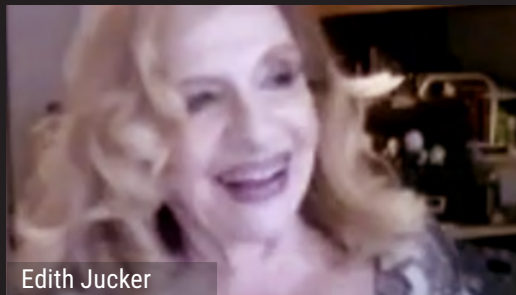
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CARL JOSEHART

# LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Dear HMH Family and Friends,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as the Board Chair for Holocaust Museum Houston. This year, in spite of the immense challenges we have faced as a museum, and as a community, our Museum continues to fulfill our mission to use the lessons of the Holocaust and other genocides to teach the dangers of hatred, prejudice and apathy. We have overcome great challenges and continue to grow into new awareness of the lessons that the Holocaust continues to teach us about the importance of being **Upstanders**. We are actively examining and taking action to expand our commitment to diversity, equity, accessibility, inclusion and racial justice. More importantly, we are putting our words into actions. This Museum has never felt more relevant, connected and vital to the world's well-being.

The ongoing pandemic hasn't changed the heartbeat of Holocaust Museum Houston. We will always honor the lives and legacies of our Survivors; our exhibitions will always tell the truth about the Holocaust and what 6 million Jews and 1.5 million children endured during the worst genocide in human history. Our Human Rights Gallery will always celebrate the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and continue to condemn genocide around the world.

What has radically changed for Holocaust Museum Houston in the past year is the tremendous creativity our staff has brought to overcoming the challenge of reaching out beyond the walls of our Museum so our vital message continues to reach an ever larger audience even during times when physical access to our campus may be limited. As a result, we are benefiting from the creation of new and meaningful relationships we have established with schools throughout Houston and beyond, with other Holocaust Museums, with program participants from around the country and with families in our community. Our Museum has embraced the opportunity to use digital communication and our educators have created inspiring and engaging new content including Holocaust and Human Rights lesson plans, family activities, and narrated video tours of our Holocaust, Human Rights and Samuel Bak galleries. Their work has inspired other educators to expand their teaching repertoire to include Holocaust and Human Rights education.

Even when this pandemic ends, and our lives return to some semblance of normalcy, Holocaust Museum Houston will continue to embrace new technologies, to reflect inward and reach outward, and to speak out about what is honorable and what is deplorable. Through these difficult past few months, we have found our voice and we will use our words and actions to perpetuate our mission.

Please stand with me in recognizing the good work of our Museum through these trying times. Our work will carry on.

Sincerely,

Carl Josehart  
Board Chair

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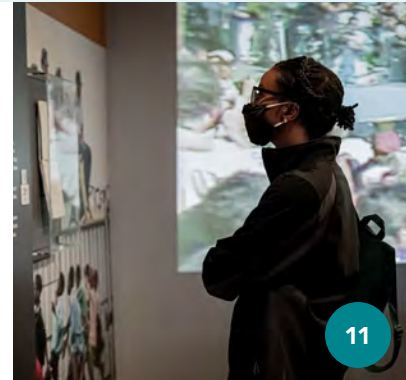
The team at the Boniuk Center for the Future of Holocaust, Human Rights and Genocide Education has found new methods to teach students the dangers of hatred, prejudice, and apathy, including video lessons, virtual field trips, and family activities.

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While the majority of the Museum's public programs were adjusted to an online format, we were still able to host the legendary Dolores Huerta in December 2019. More than 400 guests came to hear from the civil rights icon about her experience as an activist and co-founder of the United Farm Workers Union.

## PAGES 11-14 EXHIBITIONS

In September 2020, the Museum opened the U.S. premiere of *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom*, which tells the extraordinary tale of the fight for justice and human dignity in South Africa – and its relevance to issues of today. In January 2021, *Stories of Survival: Object. Image. Memory.* will open in the Minberg Gallery. A new juried exhibition, *Withstand: Latinx Art in Times of Conflict* comes to the Museum in April 2021.



# On the Cover

When the Museum first closed to the public on March 16, 2020 to help slow the spread of the coronavirus, we weren't sure how long our doors would be closed. As weeks turned into months, we knew we had to find a way to keep in contact with our local Holocaust Survivors. Thus, the Schmooze with Zoom was born. Every two weeks, the Houston Holocaust Survivors and Descendants affinity group gathers over Zoom to catch up with one another and hear from different voices in the community.





# 2020 Lyndon Baines Johnson Moral Courage Award Virtual Event

Holocaust Museum Houston’s annual dinner is our largest fundraising event of the year, providing critical funds to support the institution. Due to the continually evolving COVID-19 pandemic, the Museum made the decision to turn our 2020 LBJ Moral Courage Award Dinner into a virtual event. The online program launched the evening of May 7, 2020, in conjunction with the 75th Anniversary of V-E Day (May 8).

This year’s event celebrated moral courage from WWII to the current day, presented the 2020 Lyndon Baines Johnson Moral Courage Award to the family of the late Brigadier General Felix L. Sparks, and culminated with a virtual conversation with WWII Historian and *New York Times* bestselling author Alex Kershaw and Holocaust Survivor Pinchas Gutter.

We thank all of our dinner sponsors and tribute donors who extended their support to the Museum’s ongoing operations. Funds raised from the event enabled HMH’s dedicated staff to create new digital content about the Holocaust and Human Rights for educators, parents, and students.

WATCH THE EVENT RECORDING

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| 1. Glenn and Nicole Lowenstein | 6. Laura and Rick Jaramillo |
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| 3. Sandy and Van Lessig        | 8. Liz and Jorge Altschuler |
| 4. Gail Klein                  | 9. Benjamin and Joy Warren  |
| 5. Debra and Steven Cohen      | 10. Lisa Sheinbaum          |



# 2020 Guardian of the Human Spirit Virtual Event

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Holocaust Museum Houston held its annual Guardian of the Human Spirit Luncheon as a virtual event that streamed on Monday, November 9, 2020, raising \$593,000 for general operating funds with a focus on virtual education programming and learning resources to the Houston community and beyond.

The 2020 Guardian of the Human Spirit Virtual Event honored Dr. Milton Boniuk. A longtime humanitarian, philanthropist and author, Dr. Boniuk bases much of his good works on a simple belief: Differences among individuals should be celebrated, not feared. His dedication to an inclusive community includes the creation of Holocaust Museum Houston’s Boniuk Library and Boniuk Center for the Future of Holocaust, Human Rights, and Genocide Studies, and Rice University’s Boniuk Institute for the Study and Advancement of Religious Tolerance.

The streamed event included a keynote speech from Holocaust Survivor, psychologist and *New York Times* bestselling author Dr. Edith Eger. A native of Hungary, Dr. Eger was just a teenager in 1944 when she and her family were sent to Auschwitz. Her parents were sent to the gas chambers but Edith’s bravery kept her and her sister alive. Her memoir entitled *The Choice - Embrace the Possible* became an international bestseller.

Honorary Chairs for this historic event included Houston Methodist President and CEO Dr. Marc L. Boom and Rice University President David W. Leebron. Event chairs were Debra and Steven Cohen, Leisa Holland-Nelson and Bob Bowman, Elyse and Lewis Kalmans and Drs. Ann and Timothy Stout. Abby Daniels and Debbie Tummins served as host committee chairs. HMH CEO Dr. Kelly J. Zúñiga and Board Chair Carl Josehart hosted a small watch party and socially-distanced luncheon for the honoree, his guests and the event chairs.



Laurie and Dr. Milton Boniuk



Leisa Holland-Nelson and Bob Bowman



Elyse and Lewis Kalmans



Debra and Steven Cohen



Drs. Timothy and Ann Stout



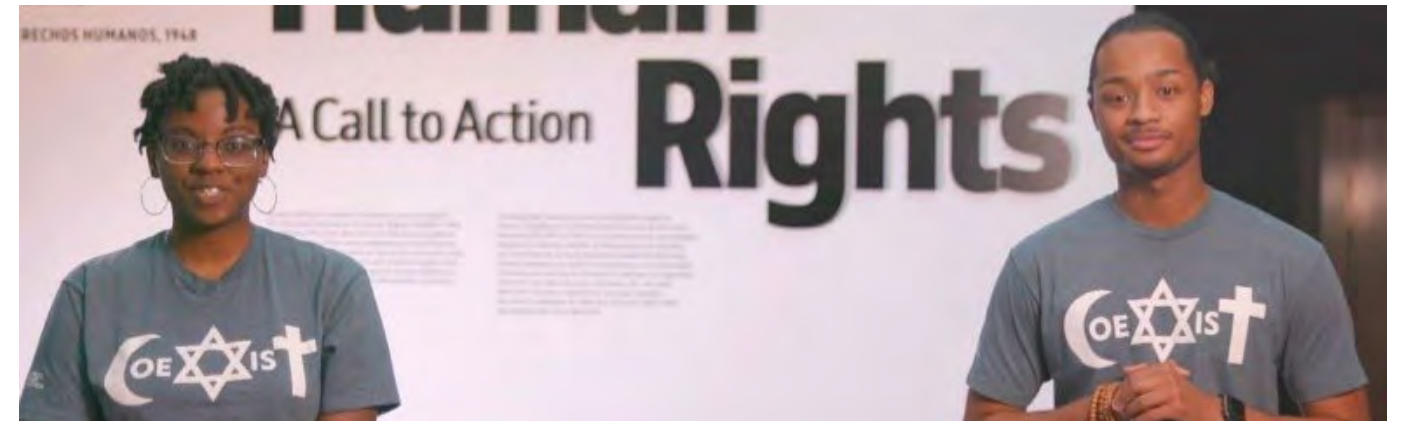
The Engines of Change Student Ambassadors toured the Museum in January 2020.

## Engines of Change Teacher Training

To support the continued growth of the Engines of Change (EoC) program, the Education Department hosted two teacher trainings for educators interested in our EoC Campus Based program. Educators from across the Houston area joined us at the Museum to learn more about the EoC program and participated in interactive activities using curriculum developed for the EoC program. Upon returning to their respective campuses, the educators will establish the EoC program at their school and will work directly with student leaders on issues ranging from the Holocaust and human rights to social justice and activism within their community. Throughout the 2020-2021 school year, we will continue to provide support to EoC Campus cohorts and are looking forward to seeing the wonderful work of our EoC student leaders!

## Engines of Change Student Ambassador Program

The Engines of Change (EoC) Student Ambassador Program has begun its fifth year by welcoming 45 new Ambassadors and 20 returning Ambassadors into the program. New Student Ambassadors participated in a virtual orientation that included the virtual Holocaust Gallery tour and participated in a discussion about the lessons of the Holocaust that are vital to the world we live in today. The EoC students represent 18 public schools, 5 private schools and 2 homeschool programs from across the greater Houston area. Due to COVID-19, all meetings will be held via Zoom through the first semester. Meetings will resume in person as soon as it is safe to do so.



Madison Petaway and Amari Venzor introduce the virtual tour of the Lester and Sue Smith Human Rights Gallery.



## Virtual Tours

In response to the need for distance learning options, Holocaust Museum Houston has created three virtual tours for classrooms and community groups. Participants can tour the Museum's galleries virtually and interact live with a trained HMH Docent. Tour options include the Holocaust Gallery, the Lester and Sue Smith Human Rights Gallery, the Samuel Bak Gallery and Learning Center, or a combination of the three.

Virtual tours must be scheduled a minimum of two weeks in advance. Tours are available in English and Spanish.

Schedule your virtual tour at [hnh.org/VirtualTour](https://hnh.org/VirtualTour).

### Questions?

Email [tours@hnh.org](mailto:tours@hnh.org) or call 713-527-1646.

## FEATURED EDUCATION STAFF MEMBER

### Heleva Bacchus Education Administrative Assistant

Heleva joined the Education Team weeks before HMH reopened the new building in 2019. She is a native Houstonian and grew up near the Museum in the Greater Third Ward area. Heleva has been a fantastic addition to our team and is

at the forefront of keeping the team organized and on task. We admire her dedication to the community and the Black Lives Matter Movement. We are so thankful to call her a colleague and a friend!



## HMH Online Resources

The Education Team has developed a wide array of online resources to support students, educators, and families as they engage in distance learning. HMH's Online Resources page includes lesson plans and curriculum for the classroom, family activities, education videos, comprehensive book lists and research guides, as well as additional resources to encourage Holocaust, Human Rights, and Social Justice education in K-12 classrooms.

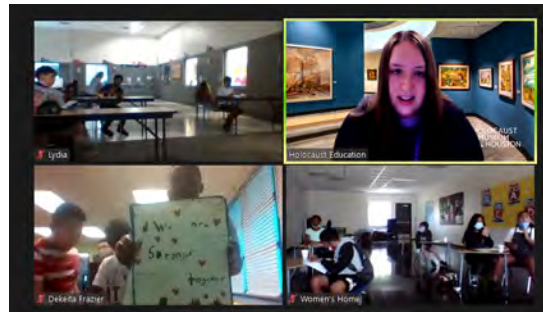


Click the play button to explore HMH online resources.



### SUMMER LEARNING

Summer Learning Experiences were delivered virtually across eight weeks during summer 2020. A total of 55 students participated and many students participated in more than one program, leading to a total of 97 registrants. The programs offered were Model United Nations, Photography and Social Justice, Website for a Cause, and Creative Concepts (poetry). Museum members received discounted tuition as an additional membership benefit.



### BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF GREATER HOUSTON

During the summer, HMH partnered with Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Houston to deliver virtual programming to members at 10 clubs across the greater Houston area. The students participated in a memoir workshop, learned about the Universe of Obligation, and heard from local artist Donkeeboy about the power of art.

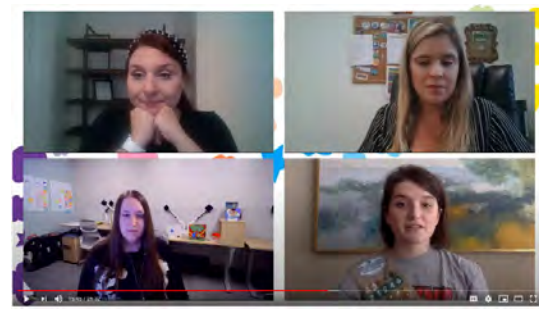


### EDUCATOR IN MOTION

Despite the significant impact of COVID-19 on the spring semester, Educator in Motion finished the school year strong by conducting virtual sessions. Overall, the program reached more than 29,000 students across 29 school districts in the greater Houston area and beyond during the 2019-2020 school year. The Museum's educators are now working to support educators with virtual program opportunities.

### THE WARREN AND SPECTOR/WARREN FELLOWSHIP

This year, in response to COVID-19 social distancing measures, the Education Department hosted the annual Warren and Spector/Warren Fellowship virtually from August 10 – August 13, 2020. Thirty-eight educators from across the United States joined us throughout the week for virtual lectures, programs, and workshops led by renowned scholars, community activists, educators, and Museum staff. Warren and Spector/Warren Fellows explored the Museum through virtual tours, engaged in interactive discussions and activities on the Holocaust and Human Rights, and became equipped with tools and resources to support students and families in their classrooms. Our Fellows also had the opportunity to be a part of special evening lectures such as Dr. James Waller's talk on the implications of COVID-19 for atrocity



### GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scout programs were adapted and delivered virtually. Programs offered in the fall of 2020 include Inside Government for Juniors, Science of Happiness for Cadettes, and Social Innovator for Seniors. These programs focus on civic engagement, solving problems, and finding your voice.



prevention and a Holocaust Survivor talk with Chaja Verveer. Spector/Warren and Warren Fellows learned more about HMH's virtual student programs and free online resources for educators that are available on our website.

## Yom HaShoah Virtual Observance

This year's Yom HaShoah Observance, marked by the 75th anniversary of liberation, was held virtually on Sunday, April 19, 2020 on the Museum's Youtube channel.

During this annual commemoration, a day of remembrance for the 6 million Jewish people who lost their lives during the Holocaust, we mourned the loss of all who perished, honored those who survived and came together as a community to remember and reflect.

The event was coordinated by the Yom HaShoah Steering Committee and Holocaust Museum Houston.

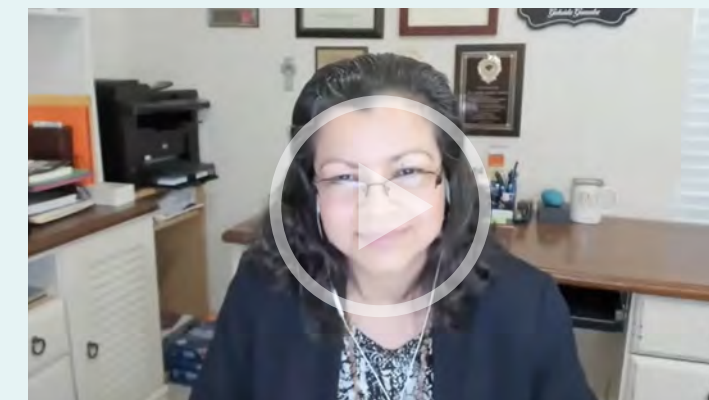
Funding for this service was generously provided by: The Morgan Family Endowment Fund, and the Morgan Family Foundation



Click the play button to watch the virtual observance.



Click the play button to watch Dr. Paul Ortiz's lecture.



Click the play button to watch Dr. Gabriella González's lecture.

## Latinx Heritage Month

This year, virtual public programming was created for Latinx Heritage Month. HMH hosted authors and scholars who have contributed to highlighting Latinx history, identity, culture, and cross-cultural collaborations. During this month we featured Dr. Paul Ortiz, author of *An African and Latinx History of the United States*; Dr. Laura Limonic, author of *Kugels and Frijoles: Latino Jews in the United States*; Dr. Ruth Behar, author and filmmaker of *Adio Kerida*; Jasmine Mendez, author and poet spoke on the Parsley Massacre of 1937; and Dr. Gabriela González author of *Redeeming La Raza: Transborder Modernity, Race, Respectability, and Rights*.

Thanks to the translation services of GlobalSpeak Translations, we were able to simultaneously interpret in Spanish, inviting a new audience to our public programming.



# Dolores Huerta Visits Holocaust Museum Houston

In December 2019, Holocaust Museum Houston Latino Initiatives hosted Dolores Huerta, in correlation with the Smithsonian's bilingual traveling exhibition, *Dolores Huerta: Revolution in the Fields / Revolución en los Campos*. This exhibit shared the compelling story of legendary activist and leader Dolores Huerta (b.1930) and the farm workers movement of the 1960s and 70s. It is a quintessentially American tale of struggle and sacrifice, of courage and victory.

The exhibition explored Huerta's public life as an activist and co-founder of the United Farm Workers Union (UFW), and what led her to become a Latina civil rights icon. In her life as a communicator, organizer, lobbyist, contract negotiator, teacher, and mother, her unparalleled leadership skills helped dramatically improve the lives of farm workers. The evening event was well attended by the community and brought in new visitors to the Museum. The conversation with Huerta was moderated by Marjorie Joseph, Director of the Houston Coalition Against Hate. Opening acts for the evening were Danza Azteca Taxcayolotl and the Latino theater group TeatrX.



Moderator Marjorie Joseph, Executive Director of Houston Coalition Against Hate and Dolores Huerta, December 2019.



TeatrX performs a short play.



Danza Azteca Taxcayolotl performs.



Dolores Huerta with students from Pearland High School and the HMH Education Team, December 2019.



Dolores Huerta with students from Pearland High School and the HMH Education Team, December 2019.



## Mandela: Struggle for Freedom

On view through January 3, 2021

The U.S. premiere of *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom*, a rich sensory experience of imagery, soundscape, digital media and objects, explores the earthshaking fight for justice and human dignity in South Africa – and its relevance to issues of today. Visitors can experience the tiny cell where Nelson Mandela spent 18 of his 27 years in prison, take a stand in front of a giant 22-foot long by 9-foot tall armored vehicle, make a virtual protest poster on a digital light table, or enter a secret apartment for freedom fighters forced underground.

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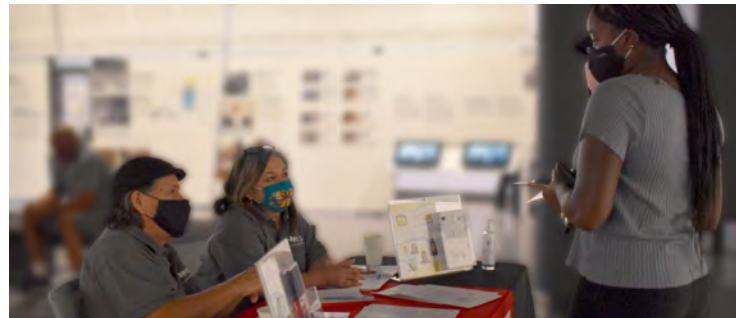
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HMH CEO Dr. Kelly Zúñiga gives Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner a tour of *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom*.

# Human Rights Expo

More than 450 community members visited HMH on September 26, 2020 to participate in the first annual Human Rights Expo. The Expo was held in conjunction with the exhibit, *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom*. HMH partnered with eight local human rights organizations to highlight their work in the community and encourage the public to take action. Prior to the event, the Education Team recorded interviews with representatives of the organizations, and shared them through social media, reaching one thousand viewers. *Presented by: Perry Homes Foundation*



## Mandela: Struggle for Freedom Special Events



### Private Preview of *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom*

On August 31, over 130 guests joined the Museum for a virtual preview of *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom*. Hosted by event sponsors Robin and Donald Wayne, this special event featured Isabelle Masson, Curator at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, who shared behind-the-scenes insights on creating the *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom* exhibition and its relevance in today's world.

## Let Freedom Ring

The Museum's Let Freedom Ring Event was held on September 21, 2020. Co-Chaired by Trish Morille and Lisa Sheinbaum, this special event featured Earlie Hudnall, Jr., who was selected to photograph Nelson Mandela during his 1991 visit to Houston. Over 60 guests tuned in as Emmy-award winning broadcast journalist Linda Lorelle moderated this captivating event.

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## Pondering: Artworks by Samuel Bak

Holocaust survivor and artist Samuel Bak creates an astoundingly complex, beautiful and richly colorful journey for viewers in his newest exhibit which opened November 9, 2020 in Holocaust Museum Houston's Samuel Bak Gallery and Learning Center. In 2019, when HMH opened its stunning new building and exhibitions, it did so with a permanent space dedicated to the artist's work. The exhibition includes a selection of 41 works by the artist, created between 1946, when Bak was 13 years old, and 2015.

Bak is recognized internationally as one of the most important artists of his generation. Born in 1933 in Vilna, which is now Vilnius, Lithuania, Bak was recognized from an early age as possessing extraordinary artistic talent. For centuries, Vilna had been known as the "Jerusalem of Lithuania" because it was a major center of Jewish cultural, religious and educational life. Immediately following the German invasion of Poland in September 1939, Vilna and the whole East of Poland was attacked by the USSR. After one month, the Soviets retreated, giving the city to the Republic of Lithuania. An estimated 30,000 Polish Jews found refuge in the city. As Vilna came

under German occupation in 1941, Bak and his family were forced to move into the Vilna Ghetto.

At the age of nine, he had his first exhibition inside the ghetto, even as massive executions and murders perpetrated by the Nazis and their Lithuanian collaborators took place almost every day. At one point, Bak's father secured freedom for his son by smuggling him out of the ghetto in a cloth sack. Bak and his mother escaped the destruction by hiding in a Benedictine convent, and spent most of their time there in an attic. By the end of the war, Bak and his mother were the only members of his extensive family to survive. Bak's four grandparents and father were murdered in the Ponary Forest outside of Vilna.

The artist continues to deal with the artistic expression of the destruction and dehumanization which make up his childhood memories. In his prolific works he questions as he "speaks" about what are deemed to be the unspeakable atrocities of the Holocaust.



*Moving*  
Samuel Bak, 1989  
Oil on Canvas



*Bayith for Home*  
Samuel Bak, 2004  
Oil on Canvas



*The Petitioner*  
Samuel Bak, 2015  
Oil on Canvas

## Stories of Survival: Object. Image. Memory.

On view January 29 – April 18, 2021

**Stories of Survival: Object. Image. Memory.** is an epic exhibition showcasing more than 60 personal artifacts brought to America by Survivors of the Holocaust and other genocides. Exploring the relationship between objects, their meaning to the original owner and subsequent significance, each artifact is dramatically paired with oversized photographs by renowned documentarian **Jim Lommasson** with handwritten responses by Survivors or their family members.

The objects featured in **Stories of Survival** are as everyday as a baby doll and a black suitcase and as symbolic as a young mother's cookbook and a wedding announcement, as saved by Survivors from genocides around the world, including Armenia, Bosnia, Cambodia, Iraq, Rwanda, South Sudan, and Syria. HMH Chief Curator of Collections and Exhibitions Carol Manley is working with local Holocaust Survivors to feature their personal artifacts and photographs during this exciting exhibition's run at the Museum.

*Stories of Survival: Object. Image. Memory.* is a project of the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center and photographer Jim Lommasson.



Photo credit: Ursula Meyer's Teddy Bear  
Bremen, Germany, ca. 1925  
Courtesy of the Illinois Holocaust Museum, Photograph by Jim Lommasson

# WITHSTAND

## Latinx Art in Times of Conflict

On view April 30 - October 17, 2021  
in conjunction with the inaugural Silverman Latin American Institute.

The Boniuk Center's Spanish Outreach and Latin American Initiatives is pleased to invite Latinx artists from the Houston area to participate in a juried art exhibition, *Withstand: Latinx Art in Times of Conflict*.

This exhibition investigates the idea of resistance and its multiple ramifications in the visual arts, as well as the impact of political and/or social conflict on the creative process. *Withstand* is meant to be a platform that examines issues that impact the community, fosters dialogue on

difficult questions, and ultimately empowers social change through art.

Latinx artists from the Greater Houston area are invited to submit their work by November 30, 2020. This is a juried exhibition curated by Guest Curators Rosa Ana Orlando and Gabriela Magana. We are honored to announce Susana Monteverde as juror for the show. Susana is currently a development officer at the University of Houston in the Katherine G. McGovern College of the Arts.



## AAM Reaccreditation Process Begins

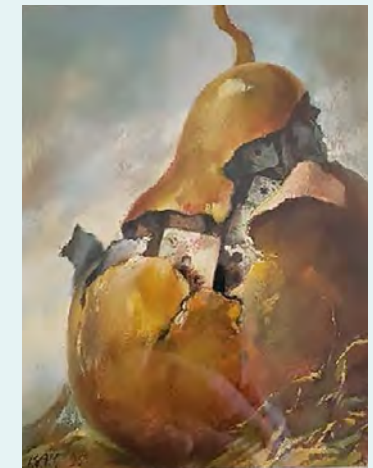
Holocaust Museum Houston achieved accreditation from the American Alliance of Museums (AAM) in 2012 under the leadership of Tali Blumrosen. It's hard to believe that 10 years have passed so quickly and we are preparing to start the reaccreditation process. During this time, HMH has accomplished much - a beautiful new building and four major galleries - highlighting our core values. AAM-accreditation is the highest national recognition for a museum, signifying excellence in the museum community, to governments, funders, outside agencies and to the public. Accreditation is a rigorous process that examines all aspects of a museum's operations. HMH is one of only four accredited museums in Houston. During the accreditation process, we examined every facet of our organization, from the effectiveness of our educational outreach and quality of our exhibitions, to compliance with our mission, Collections Stewardship and fiscal responsibility. We will begin our AAM-reaccreditation process before this year's end.

## Collection Enhancement

Over the last year Holocaust Museum Houston's permanent collection has continued to expand with the addition of compelling artifacts and artwork.

## Letta Tayler Gift

HMH is pleased to accept a wonderful collection of artwork by Survivor Samuel Bak into our permanent collection. Donated by Letta Tayler and her family, the collection consists of nine pieces that touch on Sam Bak's various themes. These pieces will be added to our robust Samuel Bak collection.



Samuel Bak, Pear, 1995  
Mixed media, 6.25 x 5"  
Donated by the Tayler Family

## New Alice Cahana Painting

HMH has received a wonderful donation of artwork by the late Houston Survivor, Alice Cahana. Donated by Barbara Samuels, the piece is a mixed media painting. Alice and most of her family were sent to Auschwitz shortly after the Germans seized Hungary in March 1944. Her mother and younger brothers were immediately sent to the gas chambers. Alice and her sister were sent to a munitions factory to become slave laborers, and later placed on a death march to Bergen-Belsen. But Alice was fortunate enough to be sent to Sweden upon liberation where she recovered. She later emigrated to Palestine, where she met and married Rabbi Moshe Cahana, and then to the United States. They raised a daughter, Rena, and two sons, both of whom became rabbis. Alice's artwork memorializes and pays tribute to the victims of the Holocaust.



Alice Cahana, 1942 - 1945 Series  
Donated by Barbara Samuels

# HMH Bilingual Digital Assets

Holocaust Museum Houston's Bilingual Digital Assets are helping pave the way to educate native Spanish speakers or Spanish speakers about the history of the Holocaust, as well as human rights and social justice. In order to fulfill our mission, the Museum is dedicating efforts to provide digital information in Spanish, to broaden our impact.

Initially our bilingual digital content was crafted to people who could not access the Museum. During the pandemic, that audience expanded. Virtual resources became vital for educators across the nation. In response to this HMH added more digital resources, especially for our bilingual audience.

The Museum is aware of the influence that we have as the fourth largest Holocaust Museum in the nation and understand that it comes with a social responsibility. That is why we are providing the stories of our Holocaust Survivors, the history behind every artifact, and our education assets in Spanish. HMH galleries and audio guided tours are available in Spanish and now we're bringing these resources to the web.



## Meet the Security Team

Led by Director of Security Mike Silva, Security Officers Damon Grant, Derrick Wolford, and Cameron Ford have undergone and are regularly undergoing extensive tactical and first aid training. Some of their training includes Active Shooter Awareness, Advanced Stop the Bleed, Live Fire training, Facility Search, Bomb Prevention and Awareness, IED Recognition, and Missing Search. HMH's professional Security Team ensures that our Museum is secured at all times. They are the first to greet anyone that comes through the Museum's doors making our visitors and staff feel safe and welcomed.



Damon Grant, Mike Silva, Derrick Wolford, Cameron Ford



## We Love Our HMH Members!

Because of you and your membership support, the Museum staff was able to create in-person and digital educational and public programs that were attended by 81,400 students. Additionally, we trained 814 teachers, engaged 7,634 community members, conducted 7 changing exhibitions, and 31 public programs. Together, we will continue to educate the public about the dangers of hatred, prejudice and apathy.

## Take Your Commitment Further with Leadership Circle

The highest level of membership and one of the most important sources of annual operating income for Holocaust Museum Houston, members of the Leadership Circle enjoy deeper engagement with the Museum and its mission through distinctive events and enhanced privileges. Leadership Circle members receive complimentary parking at the Museum, one gift of membership for a friend, special pricing on HMH event space rentals, and invitations to exclusive behind-the-scenes events and programs. Visit [hmh.org/membership](http://hmh.org/membership) to upgrade your membership today!



## Gift of Membership this Holiday Season

Give a gift of membership to a friend or a family member. Membership to Holocaust Museum Houston makes a meaningful gift for any occasion, one that can be enjoyed all year round. As a Museum member, your gift recipient will be invited to participate in special programs for members and receive full membership benefits. To give a Gift Membership visit [hmh.org/membership](http://hmh.org/membership) or call the Membership Office at 713-527-1616.



1. A Night for Human Rights with Leadership Circle Members in January 2020
2. Private Member Tour with Carol Manley, Chief Curator of Collections and Exhibitions, of *Danny Lyon: Memories of the Southern Civil Rights Movement* in December 2019
3. Members-Only Hour for *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom* in September 2020



Art Circle, Holocaust Museum Houston's art affinity group, was created to connect HMH members and the Houston community with artists and collectors engaged in social, political and human rights issues.

Art Circle hosts exhibition and collection-centric events filled with art insights, cocktails, nibbles and more! The revenue from this membership supports the art exhibition program at the Museum.



1. Art Circle Connoisseur Members visit the private home of Fady Armanious & Bill Baldwin in February 2020.
2. Joel & Jamie Grossman
3. Geoffrey Koslov, Jerry Wische, Benjamin Warren
4. Heidi Gerger, Barbara Hines
5. Fred & Elena Pelsinger



## 2020 / 2021 Season

**THIS ART CIRCLE SEASON IS GENEROUSLY SPONSORED BY PAULA GOLDSTEIN.**

A current HMH membership is required to join Art Circle. To become a member of this special affinity group, please visit [hmh.org/artcircle](http://hmh.org/artcircle).



**"IT IS MY HOPE THAT YOU WILL JOIN ME FOR AN ART-FILLED YEAR OF EXCLUSIVE BEHIND-THE SCENES EXPERIENCES."**

*Lea Weingarten*

Lea Weingarten  
HMH Art Circle Chair



The Guild of Holocaust Museum Houston serves the Museum's mission by building community and uniting members, docents and volunteers through social and educational programs, service, and fundraising projects.



HMH Guild Board 2019 - 2020

When I was retiring from 31 years as a kindergarten teacher, I had received an email from HMH asking for volunteers for a new docent class. I had never visited the Museum before I went to that interview. Majorly impressed by all that I saw, I was delighted to be offered a place in that class. And, serendipitously, Sandi Hedrick was made my mentor. With her expertise, she helped me learn the ropes and I jumped in! Because I am a Jew, I felt the need to give my time and efforts to HMH in the hopes that "never again" would become a worldwide mantra. Because I am a human being, I felt the need to teach others that hate is not acceptable. Because I am a woman, I felt the need to be up front to show girls that they are as important as boys. As I gave tours, I became friendly with other docents who were at the Museum on Tuesdays. It became clear that working with like minded volunteers and docents was an extra boon to this opportunity. Becoming a member of the Guild and then a member of the Guild Board gave me more time at the Museum and more great friends!

- Betty Babendure



NEXTGen, the Museum's young professionals' group, aims to inspire young professionals to be Upstanders, people who stand up for social change, human rights and community progress. NEXTGen's diverse programming includes signature events such as Tacos and Tours and Conversation with a Survivor, educational events in partnership with community organizations, film screenings, social events and more!

If you'd like to become a NEXTGen Member, join online at [hmh.org/NEXTGen](http://hmh.org/NEXTGen)

Like us on Facebook!  
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### NEXTGen's Leadership Committee

Alyssa Weinstein-Sears, Chair  
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Haley Hewitt  
Alicia Hooper  
Charlotte Johnson  
Rocio Rubio  
Lexie Silverman  
Alan Steinberg  
Joe Weinstein-Sears  
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### Upcoming Fall NEXTGen Events Register online at [hmh.org/events](http://hmh.org/events)

**December 3, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.**  
Outdoor Drive-In Film Screening of "Invictus" at Holocaust Museum Houston

**December 13, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.**  
Tacos & Tours for *Mandela: Struggle for Freedom*



NEXTGen's Tacos & Tours for the Dolores Huerta exhibition featured HMH Educator, Alyssa Weinstein-Sears and Dr. Jesse Esparza from Texas Southern University who gave a brief talk about the United Farm Workers labor movement.



NEXTGen and DA CAMERA Young Artists hosted the Their Music Endures concert, which featured the works of Karel Berman, Erwin Schulhoff, and Ilse Weber, three Czech composers whose creative spirits could not be extinguished despite the horrors of the Holocaust.

If you'd like to become a NEXTGen Member, join online at [hmh.org/NEXTGen](http://hmh.org/NEXTGen)



In honor of Black History Month, NEXTGen partnered with The Ensemble Theatre Houston, who performed a scene from "The Green Book."

For more information, please contact Rocio Rubio, Corporate Relations Officer, at [rrubio@hmh.org](mailto:rrubio@hmh.org) or 713-527-1638.

# EVENT SPACE RENTALS



Treat your guests to an experience they will never forget — choose Holocaust Museum Houston for your next event. HMH offers versatile spaces both architecturally stunning and educationally rich. In addition to world-class exhibits and cutting-edge galleries, the 57,000-square-foot facility features state-of-the-art classrooms, beautiful reception areas, a 187-seat theater, and an amphitheater for events and meetings. Holocaust Museum Houston is an ideal location for:

- Corporate breakfast and luncheons
- Cocktail receptions
- Elegant seated dinners
- Offsite work days
- Lectures
- Live performances

**To ensure the safety of our visitors, staff and volunteers, all Holocaust Museum Houston Venue Rentals will comply with Center of Disease Control and Prevention Interim Guidance for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).**



## HMH FACILITY BENEFITS:

- Event spaces fully equipped with state-of-the-art A/V capabilities, and Wi-Fi for any event or meeting including event livestreaming and recording.
- Admission to exhibition galleries, fully bilingual in English and Spanish
- Easily accessible onsite parking
- Central location in the heart of the Houston Museum District

**To schedule a tour of the facility or for more information, please contact Emily Brunson, Venue Sales and Events Coordinator, at [ebrunson@hnh.org](mailto:ebrunson@hnh.org) or 713-527-1650.**



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KELLY J. ZÚÑIGA, ED.D.

## LETTER FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear HMH Family and Friends,

The cover of our Gratitude Report pretty much conveys it all—HOPE. That most important word gives us strength to endure challenging times, to labor on, and to see the light ahead. Some of the Museum’s darkest days took place in March and April of 2020 with the closing of the Museum on March 16 due to the pandemic. But HOPE did come in the form of our emergency funders who are listed within the letters of HOPE on the cover. Without these champions and their support at our most vulnerable time, necessity would have required additional permanent cuts within our team and a delayed reopening.

Through the immense generosity of our HMH family, we were able to stabilize our finances and look forward to a future which has required us to address and innovate new approaches to Holocaust education outreach and program development. Reopening on May 26, we were able to welcome the Houston community back with messages of acceptance, peace, and tolerance.

Our educators have pivoted to produce virtual programming so that all students have access to Holocaust, Genocide, and Human Rights curricula. By providing filmed

tours of our Holocaust, Human Rights, and Samuel Bak Galleries, we succeeded in providing an interactive experience with our docents utilizing Zoom. Now, we can reach students all over the world.

The pandemic has shown us many frightening and negative things, but it has also made us stronger in our resolve, and reaffirmed the importance of supporting one another. A warm hello over the phone to a Survivor or a welcoming elbow-bump to a docent seems so important right now. I feel confident that, when the pandemic is over, our virtual offerings will remain a very important option to our expanded family.

To all of our donors, thank you for enabling HMH to move forward with our exciting dreams and educational programming that will take place within our new facility. You have reinforced my belief in humanity and our collective ability to move *from darkness, to light*.

With gratitude,

Kelly J. Zúñiga, Ed.D.  
Chief Executive Officer

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 2019 AND JUNE 30, 2020

Established in 1996, Holocaust Museum Houston is exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Internal Revenue Service has classified the Museum as a Section 509(a)(1) publicly supported charity. Holocaust Museum Houston strives to adhere to the highest standards of financial management, and the result is a healthy balance sheet that allows the Museum to consistently provide for programs and initiatives important to our community.

Holocaust Museum Houston is one of only four Houston-area museums to be accredited by the American Alliance of Museums.

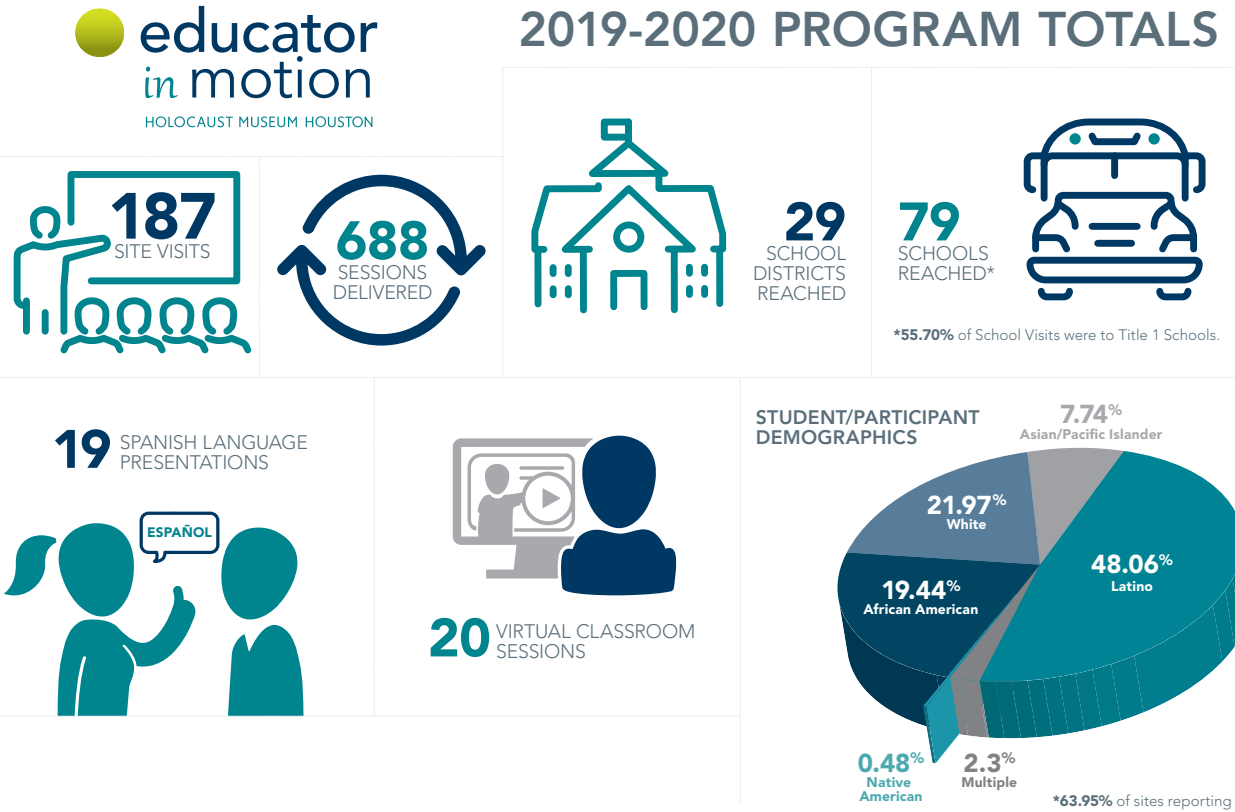
The financial information on this page was summarized from the Museum’s comparative audited financial statements for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2020, which are available upon request and online at hmh.org.

	July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020 Revenue*	July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 Revenue*
Contributions and Donations	\$4,850,431	\$4,280,083
Contributions & Donations, Capital Campaign	\$426,146	\$4,941,751
Membership	\$448,090	\$412,408
Admissions, Tours & Program	\$406,885	\$140,424
Gift Store Sales	\$108,105	\$53,463
Rental and Other Income	\$150,361	\$11,166
Investment Return, Net	(\$254,719)	\$524,826
Total Revenues	\$5,926,899	\$10,364,121

	July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020 Expenditures*	July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 Expenditures*
Program Services	\$5,030,883	\$3,095,725
Management and General	\$2,516,073	\$1,588,617
Fundraising	\$1,776,425	\$2,610,101
Total Expenditures	\$9,326,381	\$7,294,443
Increase in Net Assets	(\$3,191,082 )	\$3,069,678
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$51,608,743	\$48,539,065
Net Assets, End of Year	\$48,417,661	\$51,608,743

\*Audit fieldwork completed, but final audit report not issued at the time of printing.

# OUTREACH



Judith and Harvey Rosenstock have been involved with Holocaust Museum Houston since its founding in 1996. Recently, one of their friends encouraged Harvey to join the Advisory Board, which is bringing them even closer to the Museum's mission of teaching lessons from the Holocaust and promoting Human Rights.

Harvey's family originated from Germany, Romania and Vilna, formerly part of Poland and now a city in Lithuania. He was raised in a modern orthodox home in the United States and each generation of his family found a way to assist someone emigrating from Europe. "We knew we had to do something to make the world a better place—community service is how our family worked. We were very involved with our Judaism." Harvey was raised to be a lifelong Human Rights activist.

Judith Rosenstock's Lithuanian grandparents immigrated to America before WWI but sadly, none of her Lithuanian relatives survived the Holocaust except for a cousin who had emigrated to Israel before the war. It was this surviving cousin who taught Judith about the Holocaust and she continues to carry her family's stories in her heart believing that they must be kept alive for future generations.

Both Harvey and Judith went on to become distinguished medical professionals serving the Houston community. Harvey attended Arizona State University for his undergraduate work and the University of Oregon Medical School where he received his M.D. in 1966. He pursued his psychiatric residency training at Baylor College of Medicine. Harvey became Board Certified in Psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, and practiced psychiatry - both clinical and forensic - for over 45 years. Judith received a B.S. from New York University, an M.S. in Special Education from Virginia Commonwealth University and a Ph.D. in Special Education Administration from Syracuse University. She attended lectures given by Anna Freud. During her career, Judith has been a classroom teacher, a school superintendent, a Consultant in school districts including The Bureau of Indian Affairs, an Assistant Professor at



Judith and Harvey Rosenstock

## Preserving Stories for Future Generations

University of Houston Clear Lake, and she has advocated for the implementation of inclusion laws for children with disabilities in Washington D.C. She is a certified Counselor and still maintains her practice.

Over the years Harvey and Judith have collaborated in the treatment of patients and on major projects. Together they wrote a book about an adolescent which was optioned by Disney, Showtime, and Hallmark and became a movie, "Locked in Silence" starring Bonnie Bedelia. It earned four Emmy Nominations and was the Hallmark's Mother's Day Special. The Rosenstocks also co-authored the book *Journey Through Divorce*.

Through the years, the Rosenstock family has been deeply committed to Congregation Brith Shalom in Bellaire where Judith and Harvey became dear friends with the late Rabbi Moshe Cahana and his wife, Alice, a Holocaust Survivor and world-renowned Holocaust artist. Harvey and Judith helped edit the Cahanas' script for "The Last Days," which later became one of the five Survivor stories featured in the Steven Spielberg movie. Harvey and Judith were also instrumental in having a piece of Alice's artwork entitled, "No Names," placed in the Vatican. It took over a year, but Pope Benedict XVI gave the Cahanas and the Rosenstocks an audience on the patio of St. Peter's Square. The painting initially was hung at the entrance to the Sistine Chapel; ultimately "No Names" was permanently housed in the Museum of

Vatican among the greatest painters of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

In memory of their close friend, the late Alice Cahana, and in deep appreciation for her art, Judith and Harvey are creating an endowment to support the conservation and preservation of Alice's lifelong work and changing exhibitions at Holocaust Museum Houston. "Judith and I believe that we must reach the next generation and teach them that if one person is hurting then we all are hurting. I want every observer of Alice's art to feel the absolute value of human life across all boundaries."

Holocaust Museum Houston is grateful to the Rosenstocks for sharing their families' poignant stories, for devoting their lives to being *Upstanders* and for celebrating Alice Cahana's transcending artwork to benefit future generations including their children Amara, Aaron, Ben, Marc and Debbie, and their spouses Jon, Amy and Sarah. This gift is also being made in honor of Harvey and Judith's precious grandchildren Harrison, Madeline, Alex, Jacob, Hannah, Lily and Charlotte. The Rosenstocks look forward to becoming even more engaged with HMH through volunteer opportunities in the future to carry forth the Museum's mission in our community.

Discover how you, like the Rosenstocks, can ensure future generations hear Survivors' stories and learn the dangers of hatred, prejudice and apathy. Contact Stephanie Dugan, CAP® at [sdugan@hmh.org](mailto:sdugan@hmh.org) or 713-527-1629 to learn more.

### WHY WAS THE *GENERATION TO GENERATION* LEGACY SOCIETY CREATED?

The *Generation to Generation* Legacy Society was created to celebrate our friends who affirm their commitment to Holocaust Museum Houston through a planned gift. Their generosity demonstrates an investment in the future of our Museum and its mission. Gifts from *Generation to Generation* Legacy Society members, when realized, will offer operating or endowment support to provide exhibits, educational programs, artifact conservation, museum admission for students, or capital improvement projects.

### WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

Holocaust Museum Houston is a living testimonial to those who perished in the Holocaust, a place of honor for those who survived, and a source of education for present and future generations. The Museum teaches the events of the Holocaust to demonstrate the destructive power of prejudice and the importance of moral courage and individual responsibility. From generation to generation, HMH will continue to teach these vital lessons of the Holocaust to the diverse students, teachers, and members of the community who visit.

### WHAT ARE COMMON WAYS TO MAKE A LEGACY GIFT?

The most common way to make a legacy gift is to remember Holocaust Museum Houston in your will through a bequest. You can leave a specific sum of money or a percentage of the remainder of your estate. Other common options include naming the Museum as a partial or full beneficiary of a retirement plan or life insurance policy.



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### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF JOINING?

- Recognition in publications, if you desire
- Invitations to annual *Generation to Generation* Legacy Society events
- Potential tax advantages for yourself and your family
- Satisfaction of helping to ensure the Museum's future for generations to come

### HOW DO I GET STARTED?

Contact the Office of Endowment and Gift Planning to learn more about joining the *Generation to Generation* Legacy Society or let us know that you have already made a gift to HMH in your estate plans.

### HOW DO I JOIN?

Becoming a member of the *Generation to Generation* Legacy Society is simple. In fact, you have already qualified from membership if you have named Holocaust Museum Houston in your will or included us in your estate plans. When you inform us of your gift, we will respect your wish to be recognized or remain anonymous. All details of your gift are held in strictest confidence.

**For more information, please contact Stephanie Dugan, CAP® at 713-527-1629 or [sdugan@hmh.org](mailto:sdugan@hmh.org).**

## Members

Holocaust Museum Houston is proud to announce that the following members have either made a commitment as participants in the Create-A-Legacy campaign, or have previously committed to leaving a legacy gift to the Museum in their wills or

estate plans. Having made such a generous commitment to the Museum, we welcome them into our *Generation to Generation* Legacy Society. We extend our deepest appreciation to those who have helped to insure the future of Holocaust Museum Houston by leaving a legacy, which will continue beyond their lifetimes. We invite the rest of the Museum community to join them as the campaign continues.

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Bailey Dalton-Binion and Greg Binion	Blanca N. Eckhart	Chris and Walter* Kase	Dr. Nadine Michèle Payn	Ellen and Dan Trachtenberg
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ENDOWMENTS AT  
HOLOCAUST MUSEUM HOUSTON  
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**Hope Fund**  
Provide unrestricted funding for the benefit of HMH

General operations support helps provide necessary support for programs such as teaching students about their responsibility to society, providing world-class public programs and exhibitions, training teachers to better reach students with a message of respect, maintain our web resources and collections for future generations, and raise public awareness of genocides in our world today.

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COLLECTIONS AND EXHIBITIONS

**The Harriet Lore Seymour Memorial Fund**  
Purpose: Preserve Harriet Lore Seymour's artifact donations; any income that exceeds the amount needed to accomplish this may be used for other Museum needs at its discretion.

The care of archives, testimonies and artifacts is vital to HMH, as it preserves documentation about the Holocaust, other genocides and the Museum's own history for generations to come.

**Lynn and Marcel Mason Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for new acquisitions for the permanent collection or changing exhibitions.

**Ellen and Dan Trachtenberg Permanent Exhibit Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for the permanent exhibit, "Bearing Witness: A Community Remembers," at Holocaust Museum Houston.

**Wermuth-Meicler Endowment Fund, in memory of Tola and Sol Rosenberg**  
Purpose: Provide support for art exhibitions.

**George Wozasek Endowment Fund in Memory of Miriam Gerger**  
Purpose: Provide support for art exhibitions at Holocaust Museum Houston.

**Nina and Michael Zilkha Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for changing exhibitions.

**Drs. Harvey and Judith Rosenstock Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for the conservation and preservation of Alice Lok Cahana paintings or changing exhibitions.

EDUCATION

**Child Survivors of the Holocaust, Houston, Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for research and education about the effects of the Holocaust and genocidal wars on children and develop age-appropriate curricula for teaching young people about children and genocide.

**Helen Colin Speak Out for Tolerance Scholarship Fund**  
Purpose: Provide scholarship funding for the benefit of a student selected by one member of the HMH Education Department and representatives of the Colin/Meicler family.

**Gerald S. Kaplan Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for the distinguished public lecture in conjunction with the Max M. Kaplan Summer Institute for Educators.

**Max M. Kaplan Teacher Education Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide funding for the establishment and operation of the Max M. Kaplan Summer Institute for Educators.

The Summer Institute is a week-long conference for educators to deepen their understanding of the Holocaust, hear from renowned scholars, network with peers and learn to better communicate this difficult history in the classroom.

**Henia Leibman Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Support teacher scholarships for HMH-sponsored educational travel to Israel.

The Fellowship provides invaluable experiences to educators each year as they more deeply learn the history of the Holocaust and visit sites that are important for imparting its lessons.

**Nicole and Glenn Lowenstein Educator in Motion Education Endowment**  
Purpose: Provide support for the Educator in Motion program.

**Polly and David Roth Education Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for educational program/s for children in grades K-12 sponsored by Holocaust Museum Houston.

**Rothschild-Pozmantier Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for education services/programming for underserved and/or high risk youth, evaluation of HMH education programs/services for youth, and advocacy related to education policy and legislation.

**Lt. David L. Silverman Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide funding for the establishment and operation of the Lt. David L. Silverman Latin American Institute.

The Institute focuses on providing Holocaust centered curriculum and training to educators throughout Latin America.

**Anna and Emil Steinberger Scholarship for Teacher Education Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for current classroom teachers to attend educational programs sponsored by Holocaust Museum Houston and others.

**Warren Fellowship Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for the Warren Fellowship for Future Teachers.

The Warren Fellowship is a week-long training for pre-service educators to deepen their understanding of the Holocaust and equip them to teach it in the classroom.

**Frances and Louis Gordon Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide funding for the benefit of HMH's Educator in Motion program.

**VISITORS AND VOLUNTEERS**  
**Endowed Fund for Educators, in Honor of Stefi Altman**  
Purpose: Provide support for an annual day of free admission in honor of Stefi Altman on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Ann and Morris Blum Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide transportation stipend and admission for student field trips.

**Walter Kase Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for an Annual Free Day of Admission in honor of Mr. Walter Kase on his liberation day, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Anna and Emil Steinberger Docent Training Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for docent training.

**Marian and Samuel W. Spain Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide days of admission to the Museum for educational tours of junior high and high school tour groups during the school year.

**OPERATIONS**  
**Eric Alexander Garden of Hope Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for ongoing maintenance of the Eric Alexander Garden of Hope.

The Garden is a place of solace and reflection at the Museum, and is also home to the Children's Memorial.

**Rivka and Mordechai Roussos Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Acquire library materials.

**Steinfeld-Krell Endowment Fund, in honor of Ruth and Larry Steinfeld**  
Purpose: Provide operational support at Holocaust Museum Houston.

**PROGRAMS**  
**Ruth Vinn Hendler Lack Lectureship Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for a lecture at least once during a two year time frame sponsored by HMH.

**Morgan Family Endowment Fund**  
Purpose: Provide support for the Yom HaShoah Program.

The Yom HaShoah Program is an annual city-wide commemorative service in memory of Holocaust victims that also pays tribute to those who survived.





*A Friend to  
Holocaust Museum Houston  
Dorothy Lee Levinson*

Dorothy Lee Levinson was born and raised in Houston, Texas. Her father, Phillip Wiesenthal, was born in Galveston and her mother, Rena Wiesenthal, was born in Colorado and came to Houston by way of marriage. Dorothy's parents owned Southern Specialty Corporation, which sold wholesale sundries. Her mother was recognized as one of the first pharmacists in the country. Houston was the Levinson Family homestead.

Although she eventually left Houston and married the late cardiologist Dr. David Levinson in 1961, Dorothy's heart was never far from the Bayou City. The Levinsons lived in Los Angeles where David had his practice at Cedars Sinai and Cedars Lebanon for 48 years until his passing in 2010. Dorothy still maintains a home on the West Coast but mostly lives in Houston now.

Dorothy didn't come from a particularly religious family but always felt it was important for Judaism to survive and

for the Jewish people to thrive. This was instilled in her from her parents, who were determined to never see another Holocaust and supported the State of Israel even as it was being established. Her maternal grandfather, Lee Alcon, donated land for the State and her mother wrote letters to senators and congressmen rallying interest before the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) was created in 1963. Dorothy still has some of her mother's cherished letters.

After returning to Houston to live part-time, Dorothy became involved with Holocaust Museum Houston because she believes that it is important for all children to learn about the Holocaust so that we never forget the atrocity and it never happens again. The Museum's mission is to teach lessons of the Holocaust to students at no cost, which means free admission and educational programming to ensure that

children have equal access to Holocaust education. Dorothy's vision and the Museum's mission align beautifully.

Dorothy continues to be active with Holocaust Museum Houston and with AIPAC, a family tradition. She recognizes the outstanding gifts the Jewish people have contributed to our society and wishes that all Jewish people respect and have pride in being Jewish.

Holocaust Museum Houston is grateful to Dorothy Lee for her belief in the work that we do to educate the Houston community and beyond about the Holocaust. Her generous philanthropic support brings the Museum closer to fulfilling its mission and to fulfilling Dorothy's vision for Holocaust education. "It is selfless individuals like Dorothy who enable us to look to the future and to teach the lessons of the Holocaust across all generations. Her energy and enthusiasm are infectious to all who know her," said Dr. Kelly J. Zúñiga.

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