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Three art exhibitions expressing impact of war now open at Holocaust Museum Houston

Houston (July 2, 2024) . . . Holocaust Museum Houston is hosting three timely exhibitions in the Lester and Sue Smith Human Rights Gallery now through August 25: *Art in War*, *Art in the Holocaust* and *#BringThemHomeNow*.

Art in War reveals the untold stories of tragedy and resilience through an offering of poignant reflections on the shocking events that took place on October 7, 2023, in Southern Israel. That day, thousands of armed Hamas terrorists invaded Israel and brought destruction, pain and loss to families – the heinous act led photographers, illustrators and various types of artists to join together and share these truths. Unified in their grief, they expressed their sorrow, horror and rage through emotionally informed artwork.

Art in the Holocaust aims to provide a glimpse into Holocaust art through a selection of artworks from the Yad Vashem Collection. The artworks were created by 20 artists during the period of the Holocaust, (1939-1945), almost half of whom did not survive.

#BringThemHomeNow is a photography exhibit focusing on the humanitarian issues in Israel created by the October 7 attack by Hamas. The cruelty of the events played out in real time over horrifying video footage. This exhibition of photographs gives a glimpse into this painful point in history with poignant accuracy and expression, captured by Ziv Koren when he arrived at the horrifying scenes of terror.

"We are honored to host these important works reflecting the impact of war during the Holocaust with the recent Hamas attack on Israel," said Linda Burger, Interim CEO of Holocaust Museum Houston. "The artists perfectly captured the pain, emotion and devastation to families, countries and culture. These exhibits are keen reminders why Holocaust education remains so critical to this day."

Art in War, *Art in the Holocaust* and *#BringThemHomeNow* are on view through August 25, 2024. Tickets are available at hmh.org/tickets.

HMH's Lester and Sue Smith Campus is located at 5401 Caroline Street in Houston's historic museum district. The Museum is closed Mondays except Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Memorial Day and Labor Day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Admission is \$22 for adults; \$16 for seniors (ages 65+) and AARP members; free for active duty military and their families through Labor Day, September 2, 2024; always free for children and students through age 18 and college students with valid student ID; and free to all visitors Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. The Bagel Shop @ The Museum is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Parking is available in the Museum's adjacent lot for \$8 for a four-hour period. Tickets are available exclusively online. For more information, visit hmh.org/visit.

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