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## HMH to Host Free Virtual Lecture Series on Dismantling Bias -Lectures address antisemitism, white supremacy, and inequality-

HOUSTON, TX (October 8, 2020) – Holocaust Museum Houston (HMH) will host the Dismantling Bias: Antisemitism, White Supremacy, and Inequality Virtual Lecture Series presented by H-E-B online starting on October 21, 2020 and culminating on December 2, 2020. Led by renowned historians, authors, and activists, the free programs will explore the origins of racist ideologies and the construction of bias, examine the evolution and repercussions of antisemitism and white supremacy throughout history and deconstruct the ways in which stereotypes, misconceptions and prejudices shape contemporary society and culture.

"I would consider this lecture series necessary viewing for our community, because it will allow audiences to confront their own personal biases through critical conversations and an open dialogue," said HMH CEO Dr. Kelly Zúñiga.

Kicking off the series on Wednesday, October 21 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., professor and writer Dr. Allyson Hobbs will discuss the Black Lives Matter movement and the power of protest. On Wednesday, October 28 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., historian Dr. Robert Williams will talk about today's antisemitism and its relationship to Holocaust denial. Author Cole Brown will discuss his collection of essays, *Greyboy: Finding Blackness in a White World*, on Wednesday, November 11 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Finally, on December 2 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., journalist and author of *Coming Out as Dalit* Yashica Dutt will share about the intersection of caste, class and gender in India. Click here for photos of lecture guests.

Thanks to the generosity of H-E-B and the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission, these events are available at no cost to attendees, but registration is required. To learn more and RSVP, visit <a href="https://hmh.org/events">https://hmh.org/events</a>.

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## **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.

