



Participants in the Conference for Holocaust Education Centers sponsored by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

Confronting Antisemitism and Racism

**It is never too late to give up our prejudices.* Henry David Thoreau

Date	Guiding Question	Event / Resource
<p>Monday May 11, 2020</p>	<p>Why is it imperative that we recognize that antisemitism both exists and is on the rise?</p>	<p>LIVE WEBINAR (via Zoom) 4:00-5:00 PM EST: Holocaust Education and Remembrance with the IWalk App: An Immersive Experience from Philadelphia</p> <p>The Philadelphia Holocaust Remembrance Foundation invites you to take a tour of the Horwitz-Wasserman Holocaust Memorial Plaza from the comfort of your own home using our free-of-charge IWalk mobile app. Developed in partnership with the USC Shoah Foundation, IWalk provides virtual guided tours of the Memorial Plaza, connecting each feature of the Memorial Plaza with testimony from Holocaust survivors and witnesses. Suitable for adults and children ages 10 and up, discussion questions in IWalk aim to jumpstart conversations about the importance of remembrance and the necessity of acting against bigotry and antisemitism. This webinar, led by ADL Philadelphia, explores the app’s Contemporary Antisemitism tour, and is dedicated to the memory of Anneliese Nossbaum, a Holocaust survivor and educator whose testimony is featured prominently in this tour pathway.</p> <p>Registration is required through the following link: https://info.echoesandreflections.org/iwalk-app-immersive-virtual-experience-from-pa</p> <p>ARTICLE: “Antisemitism Uncovered: A Guide to Old Myths in a New Era” published by the ADL. Click - ARTICLE</p> <p>VIDEO: “A Call to Action” produced by the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights, the seven-minute video examines “civic responsibility” while touring the Idaho Anne Frank Human Rights Memorial. Click - VIDEO</p>
<p>Tuesday May 12, 2020</p>	<p>How does antisemitism and racism erode the fabric of the community?</p>	<p>VIDEO: “How Extremists Are Using Coronavirus to Advance Racist, Conspiratorial Agendas” (48-minutes) produced by the ADL. Click - VIDEO</p> <p>VIDEO: “When Words are Weapons” from the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights “History of Human Rights in Idaho”</p>

		<p>series, the three-minute video showcases Chinese in Idaho. Click - VIDEO</p> <p>PODCAST: “The Voices of Idaho” produced by the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights, this episode is a conversation with Philip Thompson, director of the Idaho Black History Museum, on the stage of “avoidance” in the Spiral of Injustice. Click – PODCAST</p>
<p>Wednesday May 13, 2020</p>	<p>Why is education a powerful tool in countering extremism?</p>	<p>LIVE EVENT (via Facebook) 7:00-7:30 PM CDT: Breaking Hate: Confronting the New Culture of Extremism with peace advocate and former violent extremist, Christian Picciolini.</p> <p>Christian Picciolini is an award-winning television producer, a public speaker, author, peace advocate, and a former violent extremist. After leaving the hate movement he helped create during his youth in the 1980s and 90s, he began the painstaking process of making amends and rebuilding his life. He now leads the Free Radicals Project, a global extremism prevention and disengagement network, dedicated to helping others overcome their own hate. Click - EVENT</p> <p>VIDEO: “From Ignorance & Fear to Knowledge & Understanding: Jews, Judaism, & the Holocaust” (FIF)</p> <p>This virtual field trip features a visit to Congregation Shalom in Milwaukee with Rabbi Jenn Mangold, an exploration of the history of antisemitism with Dr. Dan Haumschild, and the testimony of a Wisconsin Holocaust survivor. Click - VIDEO</p> <p>VIDEO: “First in the United States” from the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights “History of Human Rights in Idaho” series, the three-minute video showcases Jews in Idaho. Click - VIDEO</p>
<p>Thursday May 14, 2020</p>	<p>How does antisemitism take root within a community?</p>	<p>LIVE WEBINAR (via Zoom) 1:00-2:00 PM EST: Antisemitism Today: Two Generations Discuss Deborah Lipstadt’s Perspectives on Antisemitism</p> <p>Sometimes called the oldest hatred, the roots of contemporary antisemitism stretch back millennia. Using excerpts from Dr. Deborah Lipstadt’s April 29th recorded conversation with the US Holocaust Memorial Museum to structure their conversation. Dr. Miriam Klein Kassenoff and Eszter Kutas will share their thoughts, life experiences, and knowledge around antisemitism in the United States and in Europe. Dr. Miriam Klein Kassenoff is a Child Holocaust Survivor and Director of The University of Miami Holocaust Institute/Curriculum Specialist Miami Dade County Schools, and Eszter Kutas is the Executive Director of the Philadelphia Holocaust Remembrance Foundation.</p> <p>Click - WEBINAR</p>

		<p>Webinar ID: 832-8054-7624 Passcode for Webinar:726908</p> <p>ARTICLE: “Looking at Anti-Semitism on the Left and the Right: An Interview with Deborah E. Lipstadt” <i>New Yorker</i>, 1/24/2019. Click – ARTICLE</p>
<p>Friday May 15, 2020</p>	<p>What can be done on a personal level to make antisemitism and racism visible when it occurs in our families, neighborhoods, schools and communities?</p>	<p>LIVE EVENT (via Facebook) 11:00 AM CDT: The Holocaust & Primary Sources: Using Rywka’s Diary</p> <p>Join Dr. Dan Haumschild and Ellie Gettinger, Director of Education at the Jewish Museum Milwaukee (JMM), for an exploration of the Holocaust through primary sources from the era, including the diary of Rywka Lipszyc, on loan at JMM currently. This presentation is geared toward educators and open to all. Click - EVENT</p> <p>ARTICLE: “Standing Up to Hate,” published by <i>Idaho Magazine</i>, discusses the lessons learned after the 2017 vandalism of the Idaho Anne Frank Human Rights Memorial. Click - ARTICLE</p> <p>PODCAST: “How Genocide Happens” Produced by Holocaust Education Resource Center, the educational podcast explores the complexities of mass violence in ways that make this challenging topic more accessible for teachers, students and a general public. Learn about genocide by exploring its stages through introductory examinations of the Rwandan Genocide Against the Tutsi and the Holocaust. Listen on Spotify or visit HERC’s podcast page for more information.</p>

*Quote featured in the Idaho Anne Frank Human Rights Memorial

References

ADL (Anti-Defamation League): a leading anti-hate organization founded in 1913 in response to an escalating climate of anti-Semitism and bigotry, dedicated to protect the Jewish people and to secure justice and fair treatment for all (<https://www.adl.org/>)

Echoes and Reflections: dedicated to reshaping the way that teachers and students understand, process, and navigate the world through the events of the Holocaust (<https://echoesandreflections.org/>)

Nathan and Esther Pelz Holocaust Education Resource Center (HERC) - Milwaukee, Wisconsin: dedicated to the building of society founded on the values of tolerance, diversity, dignity and respect toward all human beings; to the memory of the victims of the Holocaust; and to teaching both students and adults lessons that can be learned from this history and these stories (<http://HolocaustCenterMilwaukee.org>)

Philadelphia Holocaust Remembrance Foundation - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: preserving the lessons of the past to create a future of tolerance maintaining and developing programming for the Horwitz-Wasserman Holocaust

Memorial Plaza, an outdoor educational space on the site of Nathan Rapoport's *Monument to Six Million Jewish Martyrs* (<https://www.philaholocaustmemorial.org/>)

Spiral of Injustice: a model created by the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights to illustrate the devolution of humanity whether discussing the Holocaust, other genocides, or contemporary acts of injustice. The model suggests that the "stages" of injustice (language, avoidance, discrimination, violence and elimination) are in motion and employed as weapons for targeting "the other."

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum - Washington, D.C.: inspires citizens and leaders worldwide to confront hatred, prevent genocide, and promote human dignity (<https://www.ushmm.org/>)

Wassmuth Center for Human Rights - Boise, Idaho: builder and home of the Idaho Anne Frank Human Rights Memorial to promote respect for human dignity and diversity through education and foster individual responsibility to work for peace and justice (<https://wassmuthcenter.org/>)