

## 2021 Candy Brown Holocaust & Human Rights Educator Conference Keynote Speakers



**Monday, July 26, 2021**

**Andrew Maraniss, Author of *Games of Deception***

<http://andrewmaraniss.com/about-the-books/>

Andrew Maraniss is a New York Times-bestselling author of narrative nonfiction. His first book, *Strong Inside*, was the recipient of the 2015 Lillian Smith Book Award and the Lone Special Recognition honor at the 2015 RFK Book Awards.

His second book, *Games of Deception*, is the story of the first U.S. Olympic basketball team, which competed at the 1936 Summer Games in Nazi Germany. It received the 2020 Sydney Taylor Honor Award and was named one of Amazon's Best Books of 2019. Both the National Council for the Social Studies and the American Library Association honored it as a Notable Book of 2019.

**Tuesday, July 27, 2021**

**Centre for Sports and Human Rights**

<https://www.sporhumanrights.org/enb>

The Centre for Sport and Human Rights is a human rights organization for the world of sport. The Centre's role is to work towards a world of sport that fully respects human rights through collective action and through the promotion of the Sporting Chance Principles.

The Centre's aims are threefold:

- Support the prevention of human rights harms from occurring through sport
- Support access to effective remedy where harms have occurred
- Promote a positive human rights legacy from sport and sporting events



**Wednesday, July 28, 2021**

**Keynote Speaker Panel - Surviving Genocide: What Lessons Can We Learn from Survivors?**

Join us for a moderated panel to learn from 3 genocide survivors on how they survived. They will share important lessons that students must know and understand today.



**Max Glaben, Holocaust Survivor**

Max survived the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, Majdanek Death Camp and multiple other concentration camps to eventually be liberated on a death march from Flossenburg Concentration Camp. A survivor speaker for many years, he has inspired many students. Recently, he became one of the survivors in Dimensions in

Testimony, was named Texan of the Year, and published his book, *The Upstander: How Surviving the Holocaust Sparked Max Glauken's Mission to Dismantle Hate*.



**Thear Suzuki, Cambodia Genocide Survivor**

Along with her parents and four older siblings, Thear escaped the Cambodian Genocide and was welcomed to the United States as a refugee, sponsored by the United States Catholic Conference Migration & Refugee Services. Before arriving in Dallas, her family had spent four years in a Khmer Rouge labor camp. Today, Thear leads a team of 19,000 professionals across North and South America as the Advisory Talent Leader for EY.



**Yvonne Mukamudenge Umugwaneza, Rwanda Genocide against the Tutsis Survivor**

Yvonne was injured by a bomb blast and more than a dozen of her relatives were murdered. She has worked extensively in the field of genocide awareness and commemoration. From 2008 to 2014, she was the Communication Officer at the Aegis Trust Rwanda and the Kigali Memorial Center. In this role, she oversaw all aspects of the general library and genocide archive. After attending the 20th anniversary of the Rwanda Genocide against the Tutsis in Washington, D.C., she started speaking about her experience during the TCU commemoration on campus.

**Thursday, July 29, 2021**

**Dr. Robert Williams: Today's Antisemitism and Its Relationship to Holocaust Denial and Distortion**

Dr. Robert Williams is Deputy Director for International Affairs at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and a U.S. delegate to the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance, where he chairs the Committee on Antisemitism and Holocaust Denial.

He advises several international bodies on issues related to Holocaust remembrance and antisemitism, and he is currently overseeing a major international initiative that assesses those laws and regulations that seek to curb denial of genocide and the Holocaust. Outside of work, he is co-editing a volume for Routledge on the history of antisemitism.



**Friday, July 30, 2021**

**Dr. Christina Cliff: Preventing the Path to Extremism and Hate Crimes**

Dr. Cliff is an associate professor of political science and security studies at Franklin Pierce University in New Hampshire. She also works as a consultant to Polarization and Extremism Research Innovation Lab (PERIL) at American University on matters of pedagogy and teaching.

She was the co-author of the *Boogaloo Ballad of Henry Graves Education Guide*. While her primary research interests are in various forms of extremism – hate crimes, terrorism, and genocide, she has also written for *Time*, *Newsweek*, and *Fortune* on issues relating to North Korea's weapons of mass destruction programs.