

SURVIVOR SPEAKERS BUREAU

DALLAS **HOLOCAUST** AND **HUMAN RIGHTS** MUSEUM

The Museum's Survivor and Generation Speakers share their or their parents' survival and life stories with audiences at the Museum or your preferred location (grades 6+ to adults). You can view the flyer for speaker bios and click the link to request a speaker.

Speakers are subject to availability.



Andras Lacko
Holocaust Survivor

Andras Lacko was born in Budapest, Hungary in 1936. In a twist of fate, Lacko contracted scarlet fever in 1944 and was saved from ghettoization and subsequent deportation to Poland. He survived the Holocaust in a military hospital and was later reunited with his mother and father after the Soviet liberation of Budapest.



Bert Romberg
Holocaust Survivor

Bert Romberg was born in Astheim, Germany in 1930. In 1938, his mother planned for the family to escape to England by obtaining a visa for herself and securing spots for Romberg and his sister on the Kindertransport, a rescue mission that allowed thousands of Jewish children to live with English citizens.



Dale Long
16th Street Church Bombing Survivor

Dale Long was born in Tuskegee, Alabama and grew up in segregated Birmingham, Alabama. There, he regularly attended the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church. He was at the church on September 15, 1963, when it was bombed by white supremacists. The bombing killed four of his friends and injured 27 others. He and his brother, Kenneth, escaped unscathed.

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Hanna Schrob

Holocaust Survivor

Hanna Schrob was born in 1936 in Maastricht, Holland. The Nazis invaded Holland in 1940. Two years later, Hanna and her family were arrested by the Gestapo and deported to Westerbork Transit Camp. The family was held in Westerbork for over six months fearing deportation to the East. After transfer to other camps in Western Europe, Schrob and her family were liberated by the U.S. Army in France in late 1944. The family then emigrated to the U.S.



Magie Furst

Holocaust Survivor

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Patricia Perez

American Civil Rights Speaker

Patricia Perez moved to Dallas in 1965 with her family and began working with Mrs. Juanita Craft and the South Dallas NAACP Youth Council. Patricia graduated from high school in 1971 and attended North Texas State University, now the University of North Texas. She is a co-founder of the Friends of Juanita Craft Civil Rights House steering committee that renovated and reopened the Juanita Craft Civil Rights House and Museum in 2023.



Paul Kessler

Holocaust Survivor

Paul Kessler was born in Vranov Nad Toplou, Slovakia in 1939. After his father was captured by the Nazis in 1944, he and his family escaped the village and sheltered until they were again forced to flee. Kessler and his mother hid in a neighbor's field covered with dirt, grass, leaves, and manure for approximately 8 months. He was the only Jewish child in his village who survived the war.

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Rosian Zerner

Holocaust Survivor

Rosian Zerner was born in Kaunas (Kovno), Lithuania. When Germany invaded in 1941, Zerner and her family were confined to the Kovno Ghetto. When she was six, her parents helped her escape through a hole they dug under the ghetto fence. She was met by her father's secretary and hidden by several rescuers before being liberated by Soviet troops in 1944.



Julie Meetal Berman

Generations

Julie Berman is the daughter of Survivors Magda and Les Mittelman, Z"l. Magda and Les were born in Hungary in 1923 and 1919, respectively. During the war, Les was conscripted into forced labor for the Hungarian army but escaped and joined a resistance group. Magda and her family were ghettoized before being sent to Auschwitz. She was liberated in Germany.



Lisa Kanarek

Generations

Lisa Kanarek is the daughter of Holocaust survivor Joseph Kanarek, M.D. Joseph was born in Plonsk, Poland in 1926. He and his family were confined to the Plonsk Ghetto after the Nazis invaded Poland. They were deported in 1942 to Auschwitz-Birkenau where he was conscripted into forced labor at Buna Concentration Camp. In January 1945, Joseph was forced on a death march to Dora-Mittelbau Concentration Camp. From there, he was liberated by the 101st American Army.



Mark Jacobs

Generations

Mark Jacobs is the son of Holocaust survivor Mike Jacobs, Z"l. Mike was born in Poland in 1925. In 1939, he and his family were confined in the Ostrowiec Ghetto. His parents, two brothers and two sisters, were murdered at Treblinka Death Camp. Mike survived several camps, including Auschwitz and was liberated from Mauthausen-Gusen II by the U.S. Army in 1945.

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Phillip (Phil) Glauben

Generations

Phil Glauben is the son of Holocaust survivor Max Glauben, Z”L. In 1939, Max was 11 when the Nazis invaded Poland. Max and his family were confined to the Warsaw Ghetto in 1940. Max smuggled food and supplies into the ghetto. He was deported to Majdanek Death Camp and then to other concentration camps. He was liberated by the U.S. Army.



Ron Schwarz

Generations

Ron Schwarz is the son of Holocaust survivor Charles Schwarz, Z”L. As a child during the war, Charles was hidden by the Oeuvre de Secours aux Enfants (OSE), a Jewish aid organization based in Paris. Through a very risky border crossing, Charles escaped to Switzerland. After the war, he was reunited with his parents in England.

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