Nancy & David Wolf Holocaust & Humanity Center Digital Engagement Guide

Ensuring the lessons of the Holocaust inspire action today.

Located at Cincinnati’s historic Union Terminal, the site where numerous Holocaust survivors arrived in Cincinnati to rebuild their lives, the Holocaust & Humanity Center uses local connections to highlight the strength and courage of the human spirit in the face of one of the darkest chapters in human history.

This guide was created to help you navigate HHC’s digital offerings to learn the stories of survivors and witnesses of the Holocaust, discover the direct connection the Holocaust and World War II have to the Greater Cincinnati region, ensuring the lessons of the Holocaust inspire action today.

Virtual Tour
Click here to take a 360 virtual tour of the Holocaust & Humanity Center.

Holocaust Speaker Series
On Wednesdays at 11:00 AM, the Holocaust Speaker Series will be online, featuring speakers presenting stories of life before, during, and after the Holocaust. Visit the HHC Event page for upcoming speakers.

The Holocaust Speaker Series is sponsored by Margaret and Michael Valentine.

Virtual Book Club
Every month HHC invites individuals to read and discuss a significant work of literature together. Share your reflections and view resources on the DISCUSSION FACEBOOK GROUP page and participate in a Zoom Discussion with HHC staff.

Engage through Social Media
HHC will be posting testimony, discussions, activities and other information on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Blog Content
Keep up to date on HHC’s latest NEWS & NOTES, Blog. New posts will be available periodically and feature a variety of articles on different topics.
Overview of the Holocaust
Links to video for students to get a brief overview of the Holocaust: Echoing Voices Introductory Video (Holocaust & Humanity Center) and The Path to Nazi Genocide (US Holocaust Memorial Museum)

Biography Activity
Assign students a biography of a local survivor and have them use the activity sheet to explore various aspects of the history they experienced. Have students look for that person in the exhibit or explore the historical components of that person’s experience. Activity and Biographies. Extend the activity have students create a timeline with the local biographies or the ones from the Timeline Activity from the US Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Echoing Voices (Digital)
Students unpack the story of a local eyewitness, creating a human connection with the past. Digital files include video testimony, photos and links to the historic events and places the survivor experienced. Suggested activities are also included to assist educators in integrating Echoing Voices into their existing curriculum.

Survivor Testimony
There are full length (segmented) local Holocaust survivor testimonies available online at US Holocaust Memorial Museum. The videos were created for 1991’s Project Eternity, a full list with links to the videos can also be found here. The following testimonies; Werner Coppel, Alfred Gottschalk, Henry Meyer, Alfred Wolf and Edith Carter are available in their entirety or clips by registering (for free) on IWitness USC Shoah Foundation. The site also has activities and lessons for students using video testimony.

Other Online Resources
HHC partners with several Holocaust institutions and organizations. These organizations provide a wealth of information, lessons and other resources. United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Yad Vashem, Jewish Foundation for the Righteous, USC Shoah Foundation, Facing History and Ourselves, and Echoes & Reflections.
Humanity
In the museum the Humanity gallery helps us explore how we can be the best of humanity today. HHC does this through the lens of character-strengths, featuring individuals who used their inherent strengths to rise to challenges we face now.

Character Strengths
Character Strengths are the positive parts of your personality that impact how you think, feel and behave. Scientists have identified 24 character strengths that you have the capacity to express.

Have students complete the VIA character survey.

Thriving Learning Communities (TLC) At Home
Our partners at Mayerson Academy have created social-emotional learning ideas that families can do at home. These character strengths-based activities were designed for K-8th grade students, but people of all ages can participate. Click here for the activities.

Information
Please contact Jodi Elowitz, Director of Education & Engagement with questions or requests for other resources at Jelowitz@cincyhhc.org.

Visit our website at holocaustandhumanity.org