



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 to rebuild their lives, the Holocaust & Humanity Center (HHC) 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 about the stories of survivors and witnesses of the Holocaust, discover the Greater Cincinnati region's direct connection to the Holocaust and World War II, and to ensure the lessons of the Holocaust inspire action today.



The Museum

Visit the Museum

The museum is open on Thursdays through Mondays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Timed tickets help manage the number of people in each museum, ensuring proper social distancing of six feet or more. Groups of (no more than) 10 persons can be accommodated every 15 minutes. We recommend purchasing [YOUR TICKETS ONLINE](#). However, tickets can also be purchased at the Cincinnati Museum Center Box Office or in the HHC lobby. More information can be found [here](#).

Virtual Tours

HHC has developed a variety of virtual experiences for students to connect with the Museum. Book a virtual or live stream tour, create your own experience, or inquire about in-person field trips. [Click here](#) to view a 360-degree tour online. Contact Sarah Schneider at sschneider@cincyhhc.org for more information about tour offerings.

Extra Credit

Looking for ways to engage students in the history of the Holocaust and have them earn extra credit? HHC has free activities they can use on a virtual or in-person tour of the museum. Contact Jodi Elowitz at Jelowitz@cincyhhc.org for more information.

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 the latest [NEWS & NOTES](#) by visiting HHC's Blog. New posts will be available periodically and feature a variety of articles on different topics.



Speakers & Testimony

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.*

Coppel Speakers Bureau

HHC's Coppel Speakers Bureau provides Holocaust survivors, descendants of survivors, and other experts a forum to share their stories. We are now booking speakers virtually. Contact Trinity Johnson at Tjohnson@cincyhhc.org to [book a speaker](#).

Survivor Testimony

There are full length (segmented) local Holocaust survivor testimonies available online at the [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.



Special Programs & Workshops

Carrying the Stories Forward Essay & Poetry Contest

HHC is inviting students in grades 7-12 to participate in this special 20th anniversary writing contest. Students will research a survivor and answer questions about what we can learn from Holocaust survivor testimony and how they will carry the stories forward, responding by essay or poem. For more information on the contest please click [here](#), or contact Sarah Schneider at sschneider@cincyhhc.org.

Jacob G. Schmidlapp Bystander to Upstander Youth Leadership Day

HHC invites students in grades seven and eight to participate in a daylong workshop to gain leadership skills to help them become Upstanders and create change in their communities. For more information please click [here](#), or contact Sarah Schneider at sschneider@cincyhhc.org.

Educator Workshops

HHC conducts workshops throughout the year to help educators gain a deeper knowledge about various aspects of Holocaust and Humanity-based education. We also offer the [Roma & Sam Kaltman Holocaust Studies for Educators](#) every summer. Contact hours available. For more information click [here](#), or contact Jodi Elowitz at jelowitz@cincyhhc.org.



Resources & Lessons

Overview of the Holocaust

Students can view a brief overview of the Holocaust with these videos: [Echoing Voices Introductory Video](#) (Holocaust & Humanity Center) and [The Path to Nazi Genocide](#) (US Holocaust Memorial Museum)

Biography Activity

Assign students the 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 to have students create a timeline with the local biographies or the ones from the US Holocaust Memorial Museum's [Timeline Activity](#).

Digital Echoing Voices: History Unpacked

With Echoing Voices: History Unpacked, 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. For more information, contact Cori Silbernagel at Csilbernagel@cincyhhc.org.

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 & Character Strengths

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](#).

Upstander Activities and Workshops

What does it mean to be an upstander, and who can be one? How can we use our 24 character strengths to help us become an upstander to make change in our world today? Contact Sarah Schneider at sschneider@cincyhhc.org to learn more.

Leadership Through Strength Mapping

This activity, created by Mayerson Academy & HHC, encourages students to activate their character strengths to enhance their leadership skills. The activity and Zoom session prompt students to think about what they can do to strengthen their leadership by delving into their top five strengths and then applying them to relational and situational roles. Contact Sarah Schneider at sschneider@cincyhhc.org to learn more.

Reading Activities

Read inspiring books with youth in your life and explore themes of inclusion, diversity, and community with these reading activities. The activities encourage us to be the best of humanity today and activate our character strengths to make a difference. Click [here](#) for the latest books and activities.

Information

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

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