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Building Resilience Through Holocaust & Genocide Education

INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE FOR
MUSEUM EDUCATORS

**CAPE TOWN HOLOCAUST &
GENOCIDE CENTRE,**
CAPE TOWN,
SOUTH AFRICA

AUGUST 4-9, 2024

To mark the 25th anniversary of the Cape Town Holocaust & Genocide Centre (CTHGC) which opened in August 1999 the Centre is organizing a conference for museum educators. The conference will be held against the backdrop of the 30th anniversaries of two pivotal events – the 30th anniversary of the end of apartheid and the birth of the democratic South Africa as well as the 30th anniversary of the genocide of the Tutsis in Rwanda.

The conference will examine the evolution of Holocaust and Genocide education, share expertise, and devise new

tools and solutions tailored to the challenges of the modern world. It is important that we recognize the changing reality of a future without Holocaust survivors and new generations carrying their own traumas, in an increasingly hostile, homophobic, antisemitic, and xenophobic world.

Holocaust and Genocide museums worldwide have a vital role in this context — deconstructing myths and processes that led to past acts of persecution and mass violence, while fostering resilience and instilling a sense of responsibility for the future.

ABOUT THE CAPE TOWN HOLOCAUST & GENOCIDE CENTRE

The Cape Town Holocaust & Genocide Centre is a Nongovernmental Organization dedicated to fostering a more compassionate and just society where human rights and diversity are esteemed. Through impactful exhibitions, events, and workshops, the Centre commemorates the victims and survivors the Nazi regime and various genocides preceding and following the Holocaust. The aim is to underscore the repercussions of prejudice and racism in all forms and draw attention to the perils of indifference, apathy, and silence.

Established in 1999, it was the first Holocaust Centre in Africa, driven by the steadfast commitment to provide free Holocaust and genocide education. The impact of the CTHGC in the education sector led to the inclusion of Holocaust studies in the curriculum of all South African schools, making the study of the Holocaust mandatory for the students in grade 9 (14-15 years old) from 2007.

The Cape Town Holocaust & Genocide Centre enjoys a close association part of the South African Holocaust & Genocide Centers in Johannesburg and Durban.

THE CONFERENCE

When: August 4-9, 2024

Where: Holocaust & Genocide Centre, 88 Hatfield St, Cape Town, South Africa

For whom: Museum educators, educators (limited number or seats)

What will be provided: Accommodation in double rooms, kosher/vegetarian meals, tickets, and admissions on the ground.

What will not be provided: travel costs and costs associated with necessary visas.

Conference will be organized in cooperation with:
Johannesburg Holocaust & Genocide Centre,
Durban Holocaust & Genocide Centre, Kaplan
Centre for Jewish Studies, Yahad-In Unum.

ABOUT CAPE TOWN

Cape Town, situated at the southern tip of Africa, seamlessly weaves together natural beauty and rich history. The city, framed by the iconic Table Mountain and pristine beaches, offers breathtaking landscapes. Amidst this backdrop, historical landmarks like Robben Island and the colorful Bo-Kaap neighborhood tell the story of South Africa's journey. Notably, Cape Town is also a home to Sub-Saharan Africa's first Jewish community, established in 1841. Today, it proudly stands as a diverse and resilient community, second largest in the country.

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