

AHO July 14-15, 2014
Conference at the Ghetto Fighters' House
Holocaust and Democratic Values: Educational Challenges
Open to both AHO and other participants

The goal of the seminar is to expand and deepen the discussion of Holocaust Education in relation to Education for Democratic values. We will address this issue through a variety of speakers but also by observing changes and developments within the Ghetto Fighters' House, a museum created four generations ago.

Monday, July 14 Reviewing Goals of Holocaust History and Studies

9:00 – 9:30 Welcome and introductions

9:30 – 10:30 Session I

“Can we still learn from the past and what should we learn from the history of the Holocaust?”

Professor Hannah Yablonka, The Ghetto Fighters' House Museum Historian

Chair: Dr. Anat Livne, CEO, Ghetto Fighters' House

10:30 – 11:00 Break

11:00 – 12:15 Session II

Panel Presentation: Goals of Holocaust Education: A Democratic or Civic Education

Panelists:

Marc Skvirsky, Chief Program Officer, Facing History and Ourselves, Boston, MA

Norbert Hinterleitner, Head of Educational Department, Anne Frank House

Werner Dreier, Executive Director of Erinnern, Austria

Chair: Susan Meyers, Vice President, Association of Holocaust Organizations

12:15 – 13:00 Session III

Round Table Following the Panel Presentation:

What do we want to achieve in Holocaust Education? What works and how do our diverse perspectives provide a guide for the future?

Led by the panelists of Session II

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break (Option to visit Yad Lazeled Children's Museum)





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14:00 – 15:30 Session IV

Practicum (Participants will be assigned practicum groups for Day I and II in their registration packets.)

Practicum I: Led by GFH Staff

An internal look at the GFH Pillar of Memory and how it spans the generations and answers the needs of today

Practicum II: led by GFH Staff

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15:30 – 16:00 Break

16:00 – 18:00 Session V

70 Years Later – Making it Relevant: Fighters, survivors, future generations

Lecture with Dr. Moshe Shner, second generation of founding members of Kibbutz Lohamei Haghetaot. Including a visit to the Kibbutz cemetery with Dr. Shner to understand the preservation of legend and personal history.

19:00 Travel to Akko with Conference bus for Tour and Dinner

Tuesday, July 15 Holocaust and Education for Democracy

9:00 – 10:00 Session VI

Challenges to the Democratic Idea in the Post-Holocaust World

Panelists from the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA):

Katherin Meyer- International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance

Floriane Hohenberg – OSCE Organization for Security and Co-Operation in Europe

Kimberly Mann – Manager of the Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme

Chair: Mark Weitzman, Director of Government Affairs, Simon Wiesenthal Center

10:00 – 10:30 Break





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10:30 – 11:30 Session VII

Part I

Democratic Challenges: Descriptions of Societies Struggling with Diversity

Yariv Lapid, Director, Center for Humanistic Education at the GFH

Tali Nates, Director, Johannesburg Holocaust and Genocide Centre, South Africa

11:30 – 12:15

Part II

***Watchers of the Sky* Documentary Discussion**

Producer, Amelia Green-Dove

[WATCHERS OF THE SKY](#) is a feature-length documentary that examines the cycle of violence, and the world's response, from a variety of angles – historical, psychological, political, legal, and experiential. We will see modules of the film during our session. The film's educational outreach initiatives focus on developing a human rights educational platform to provide unique materials for teachers, students, government officials and others, with tools to become engaged, knowledgeable global human rights advocates – to be Watchers of the Sky! Facing History and Ourselves is an educational partner for this film.

Chair: Raya Kalisman, Founding Director of the Center for Humanistic Education (GFH)

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Lunch Break (Option to visit Yad Leyeled Children's Museum)

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15:00 – 15:45 Session IX

Issues of Memory and Memorializing other Victims

Stephen Smith, Executive Director, USC Shoah Foundation Institute, Los Angeles

Chair: Dr. Boaz Cohen, Chair, Holocaust Studies Program, Western Galilee College, Akko

15:45 – 16:30 Session X

Can Holocaust Education/Memory be maintained in Civic Studies?

Michael Berenbaum, Professor of Jewish Studies at the American Jewish University in Los Angeles and Executive Director of the Sigi Ziering Institute

Chair: Dr. David Netzer, The Center for Humanistic Education

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