

HARROW HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY 2022

One Day



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*'Don't be content in your life, just to do no wrong,
be prepared every day to try and do some good.'*

Sir Nicholas Winton, who rescued 669 children from Nazi-occupied Europe

THE BREVITY of this year's HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY'S theme encourages us to concentrate on an often overlooked aspect of the years of Holocaust horrors managed by the perpetrators. One day by One day, in a bid to create a 'Perfect Race' according to the twisted mind of Adolf Hitler.

Survivors continue to relate their memories of Auschwitz and as we mourn so also do we wonder and accept the challenge to make sure that neither in our lifetimes nor in future generations, should anybody be subject to such ghastly times. Not for years, months, weeks or even One Day. There may be educational set-ups locally and/or world-wide and long-term schemes to encourage better understanding but every day is 'One Day' and that means this day and every day that follows. Thus, 'One Day', our theme this year, easily and rightly may be 'Every Day' and you and I, together with friends and family, must make a resolution TODAY for every day to come.

Try to learn more about 'the stranger in my midst' and fight prejudice wherever it shows its ugly head. 'One Day' is today. And every tomorrow is another 'One Day' .

Jack Lynes. Chair. Harrow's 2020 HMD Event.

*If you have any comments on this evening's event please email them to:
secretary@harrowinterfaith.org*

I would like to thank each of the following for giving their time energy and imagination in arranging this evening's event

Sue Anderson, Peymana Assad, Gopal Bhachu, John Hinkley, Abraham Mathews, Jean Lammiman Rabbi Kathleen Middleton ,Bobbi Riesel, Matthew Wright, Jack Lynes, Chair Harrow's 2022 HMD Event

The music of the Cello played by Ruth Colin accompanied by Archie Sarna-Howard: The introductory music is provided by Nelly Ben-Or MBE who was born in 1933 in Lwow, Poland. Surviving the Holocaust, the story of which she tells in her autobiography 'Ashes to Light', she became an International Concert Pianist and renowned teacher. She this week received a MBE for her contribution to Holocaust Education. She is joined for the songs by her daughter, Jazz Singer Daniela Clynes. As well as performing, Daniela teaches at London College of Creative Media.





Message from the Worshipful The Mayor of Harrow Cllr Ghazanfar Ali

It is a special pleasure and privilege to welcome you here this evening as we recall and commemorate the Holocaust and the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau some 77 years ago and the dreadful Genocides in many parts of the world. This year we are focussing on the persecution of Ughur Muslims in the north west of China and the very difficult situation in Afghanistan, following the recent change in Government. Here in Harrow people of many Faiths and no faith, live together and do so peacefully, accepting their differences and discovering some many things they have in common.

I am sure we are anticipating a memorable evening.

Cllr Ghazanfar Ali

Message from Bob Blackman, MP Harrow East



The Holocaust Memorial Day is an important opportunity to remember the victims of the Holocaust and subsequent genocides. As the Chairman of the All- Party parliamentary Group for the Holocaust Memorial and Education Centre, Secretary of the APPG for British Jew and Chairman of the APPG for British-Israel relations, it is important that we remember that antisemitism is not new. It has existed in society for centuries and is still prevalent in some corners of society today which must be stamped out as soon as it shows its ugly head.

On this important day we must stand together in remembering the horrors of the Holocaust and must say with one voice, 'never again'. It is also vital that we capture the testimonies of survivors and teach successive generations what happened during the Holocaust. Educating our younger generations is vital as it is hard to understand how human beings could commit such atrocities.

Bob Blackman, MP



Message from David Simmonds, MP Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner

It is poignant to think that one day, perhaps experienced as entirely ordinary for one person, could also be a defining day for somebody else, somewhere else. This Holocaust Remembrance Day, it is important for us to show compassion, understanding and to come together to remember the many 'one days' where somebody's life might have changed, or where all that mattered was simply to cope and to live to see the next sunrise, both throughout the period of Nazi persecution, and the genocides that followed. Crucially, we must look forward to that one day in the future, built on collective hope, where suffering will no longer exist in our world.

David Simmonds CBE MP



Message from Gareth Thomas, MP Harrow West



I am honoured to support the Harrow Holocaust Memorial Day 2022. The theme of “One Day” holds particular significance. Holocaust Memorial Day is the one day for our community to come together and commemorate the ethnic cleansing of six million Jews and other victims of Nazi persecution as well as other genocides for example in Rwanda, East Timor, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Darfur.

Holocaust Memorial Day is the one day we together echo the words said by the survivors on the liberation of Buchenwald concentration camp in April 1945 “Never Again”. In this spirit we should focus our gaze on what is happening today against the Rohingya people in Myanmar and the Uyghur people in China. As Elie Wiesel said “There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest.”

Gareth Thomas MP

Message from Krupesh Hirani, GLA Assembly Member for Brent and Harrow



“The murder of six million Jews and the Nazi persecution of Roma, Sinti and Black people, political opponents, LGBT and disabled people - along with subsequent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur - serve as terrible warnings of the evils of racism and fascism.

“On Holocaust Memorial Day, we reflect on the atrocities of our recent past and acknowledge the crimes against humanity that continue to happen worldwide. “We must keep the hope of a better future in our hearts, but genocide must continue to be resisted – we simply cannot be complacent. The responsibility to prevent it falls upon every one of us. “On this important and profound day, we must all pledge to be the light in the darkness”.

Krupesh Hirani AM



Welcoming music
by Nelly Ben-Or MBE accompanied by Daniella Clynes

Time for Reflection
Cello - Ruth Colin accompanied by Archie Sama-Howard

Mayor's Welcome
The Worshipful The Mayor, Councillor Ghazanfar Ali.

Candle Lighting
Rabbi Kathleen De Magtige-Middleton with 8 faith groups
Hebrew Memorial Prayer followed by
ONE MINUTE SILENCE

Guest Speaker
Lord Daniel Finkelstein of Pinner.

Duet Performance *
David Phelops and Judith Silver with guitar.

Rahima Mahmud
Stop Uyghur Genocide, a UK cross community organisation.

Duet Performance *
Oseh Shalom, David Phelops and Judith Silver with guitar.

Sonoo Malkani
Chairman of Harrow Interfaith [HIF].

Fahima Zaheen
Paiwand [Afghan refugee support organisation]

Concluding Prayer
Rabbi Ben Kurzer

Jack Lynes - HMD Chairman
Closing remarks and vote of thanks.

** Words: Appendix 1*



Lord Finkelstein OBE



Daniel Finkelstein is Associate Editor of The Times and a weekly columnist for the newspaper. He has previously been its Executive Editor and Chief Leader Writer.

His writing is mainly on political and social affairs, although he is also well known for his football column, the Fink Tank, which ran for 17 years. He has won multiple awards, including being named political commentator of the year four times. He is well known to viewers of programmes like Newsnight and Politics Live and to listeners of Radio 4's News Quiz

During his career he has provided political advice to prime ministers John Major, David Cameron and Theresa May and, as director of policy, to William Hague as opposition leader. He has been on the inside of many budgets and prime ministers questions, attended meetings of Cabinet and has been secretary to the Shadow Cabinet. In August 2020 he published Everything in Moderation, a collection of his writing. He was awarded the OBE for services to the prime minister in 1997 and made a member of the House of Lords in 2013.

Lord Finkelstein is the son of Mirjam Wiener, a survivor of Bergen-Belsen and a grandson of the holocaust archivist Alfred Wiener. His father Ludwik survived Soviet exile to Siberia.

Rahima Mahmut



Stop Uyghur Genocide is a UK-based cross-party, cross-community human rights organisation, campaigning against the genocide of Uyghur people and other Turkic groups in the Uyghur Region.

We work to increase awareness of the crimes being committed against Uyghurs and other Muslim minorities by the Chinese Regime. We work with political leaders to secure action to protect Uyghurs and hold those responsible for genocide to account. We work with communities, congregations and consumers to help people to come together to take action to protect Uyghurs and prevent genocide.

It is vital that Uyghur people – their culture, religion, and fundamental human rights – are protected. Stop Uyghur Genocide exists to fight for that protection, to make Uyghur voices heard, and to demand that Uyghur people are allowed to live with dignity and freedom.





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More Than Just A Choir

Bringing Harmony to Mental Health



ADULTS AFFECTED BY MENTAL ILLNESS BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER IN SONG

You did not have to be a Jew to be burnt away in Nazi gas chambers. Alongside the Jews were others who did not meet the criteria of Hitler's idea of perfection.

One category of people who would undoubtedly have met their death alongside Jews, were people suffering from any physical disability or those affected by mental illness. "More than Just a Choir", says David Phelops, their director, has as its purpose to gather people who have "not just suffered mental illness" but also, for those "affected by it, either carers, friends or family." We are privileged to welcome them on stage this evening.

Judith Silver is the founder of Companion Voices Companion Voices UK

Singing for the end of Life. Companion Voices are singers based in the UK who gather to learn songs and prepare themselves to sing for people at the end of life. We share our voices, compassion and loving presence, whether in person or virtually when called upon to do so.

<https://companionvoices.org/>





HARROW INTERFAITH NEEDS YOU!

Harrow Interfaith is a collection of Harrow's many Faiths whose members have come together to explore each other's customs and beliefs. In so doing they have discovered more commonalities than differences. Hatred is the product of suspicion which in turn is the result of ignorance. Members of Harrow Interfaith enjoy finding out about each other and often there is a bonus that we find out more about ourselves. Harrow's diversity makes it a richer place and we can best share in that richness by enjoying membership of Harrow Interfaith. Whatever your place of worship might be, church, temple, synagogue, mosque or any other, when we meet, we are at one with one another eager to engage in conversation and to be better informed. Do please check us out on our website www.harrowinterfaith.org and get involved. Our Honorary Officers are waiting to meet you, to make you welcome. Harrow Interfaith, whatever your Faith, or if you are a Humanist and share our ideals, come on in. We might even have a job for you!

*One Day
Became our everyday
Long, unforgiving
Time became unknown
Men, women, children slaughtered
Today our hearts beat as one
We come together
As we remember Them all
So that
One day
Free of fear
We will be free*

Lynda Seymour



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"No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin or his background or his religion. People learn to hate and if they can learn to hate they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite."

Nelson Mandela





Steve Levinson has been one of Britain's leading economics journalists for many years. He is highly respected both within and outside his profession for the quality and originality of his journalism, which has won him a number of awards. His insights into the media have made him a sought after interviewer and conference presenter.

In the course of his career he has interviewed many leading political and financial figures, including many Prime Ministers. Internationally his interviewees have included Shimon Peres and Nelson Mandela.



Rabbi Middleton is the minister of Mosaic Reform Synagogue (previously known as Middlesex New Synagogue). She was part-time lecturer in Pentateuch and Bible Studies at the Leo Baeck College and occasional lecturer in Judaism at The Muslim College.

Rabbi Kurzer became Rabbi of Pinner Synagogue in August 2019, having served as the Assistant Rabbi at Edgware United for five years. Previously Rabbi Kurzer lived in Manhattan for seven years, earning a BA in Jewish History as well as working for New Jersey NCSY and on the rabbinic staff at the Young Israel of Jamaica Estates.



Fahima Zaheen was born and brought up in Kabul, Afghanistan. She was a war child, and for the first 20 years of her life; the daily sounds of missiles, the shrieks and cries of wounded people, famine and hunger was nothing but 'normal'. It was only when she came to the UK that she experienced quiet streets with no dramatic events.

War and loss of life, however justified, will never be accepted by her and today she is here to talk about what she has in common with those who suffered during the Holocaust in WW2.



**The following Interfaith Prayer has been specially
composed by Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis,
Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby
and Senior Imam Qari Asim**

Loving G-d, we come to you with heavy hearts, remembering the six million Jewish souls murdered during the Holocaust.

In the horrors of that history, when so many groups were targeted because of their identity, and in genocides which followed, we recognise destructive prejudices that drive people apart.

Forgive us when we give space to fear, negativity and hatred of others, simply because they are different from us.

In the light of G-d, we see everyone as equally precious manifestations of the Divine and can know the courage to face the darkness.

Through our prayers and actions, help us to stand together with those who are suffering so that light may banish all darkness, love will prevail over hate and good will triumph over evil.

AMEN

Harrow Arts Centre (HAC)

is the only professional multi-artform venue in the London Borough of Harrow and is committed to providing a journey of a lifetime enjoying the arts for people from every background. We believe that cultural experiences change peoples' lives, and that having a place to come together and enjoy these experiences changes whole communities. We are pleased to support Holocaust Memorial Day and its important message from history each year – by coming together to remember, we can build a more united future for our community.



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Harrow HMD Event 2022

Thank you for joining this event at Harrow Arts Centre to mark Holocaust Memorial Day 2022.

Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) is the international day on 27 January to commemorate the millions of people who were murdered in the Holocaust, under Nazi persecution and in the genocides that followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur. It is an occasion for communities to come together to learn, remember and reflect.

The theme chosen by the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust for HMD 2022 is One Day. Survivors of the Holocaust and of genocide often talk about the One Day when everything changed, sometimes for the worse and sometimes for better.

On Holocaust Memorial Day we learn from genocide for a purpose – to build a better future. When we look ahead to ‘one day with no genocide’, what do we need to do today to achieve this? We can come together in our communities, to learn from the Holocaust and genocides for a better future. The theme of One Day can be used to motivate us all to speak out when we see injustices, prejudices and identity-based violence. We thank you for your support.

Olivia Marks-Woldman OBE
Chief Executive of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust
About the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust

Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT) encourages remembrance in a world scarred by genocide. We promote and support Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) – the international day on 27 January to remember the six million Jews murdered during the Holocaust, the millions of people killed under Nazi Persecution and in subsequent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur.



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Appendix 1

A Walk to Caesarea (Eli, Eli)

הליכה לקיסריה (אלי, אלי)

Halicha L'Kisariya (Eli, Eli)

By Hannah Szenes,

a Hungarian Jewish Poet , executed by a Nazi firing squad at the age of 23, as a member of the Jewish Paratroop regiment in the British Army, in WWII

Eli, Eli shelo yigamer l'olam,

My God, My God, may these never end

Hachol v'hayam,

The sand and the sea,

Rishrush shel hamayim

the rush of the waters.

B'rak hashamayim,

The thundering heavens,

T'filat haadam.

the prayers of our heart.

Hachol v'hayam,

The sand and the sea,

Rishrush shel hamayim

the rush of the waters.

B'rak hashamayim,

The thundering heavens,

T'filat haadam.

the prayers of our heart.

Singable Interpretation

Eli, Eli

I pray that it never will end.

The sand and the sea

and the waves breaking and sighing

and high over the water

the wind blowing free.

The lightning and rain and the darkness
descending

and ever and ever the prayers of our heart.

אלי, אלי
שלא יגמר לעולם
החול והים,
רשרוש של המים,
ברק השמים
תפלת האדם.



Words continued

Undzer Nigndl

אודזער ניגונדל

Our Little Tune

By Nokhem Sternheim (1879 - killed during WWII), a folk poet from Galicia

Hobn mir a nigndl in naches un in freydn, in naches un in freydn

We have a little tune, in pride and in joy, in pride and in joy

Zingen mir es, zingen mir es, klinkt es azoy sheyn

We sing it, we sing it, it sounds so beautiful

Dos hot nokh gezungen di bobbe mitn zeydn

Grandmother and Grandfather used to sing it

Ven zey zaynen kinder nokh geven

When they were still children

האָבן מיר אַ ניגונדל אין נחת און אין פריידן, אין נחת און אין פריידן

זינגען מיר עס, זינגען מיר עס, קלינגט עס אזוי שיין

דאָס האָט נאָך געזונגען די באַבע מיטן זיידן

ווען זיי זיינען קינדער נאָך געווען

Chorus

Oy, oy, oy ot azoy zhe vi der nign klingt atsinder

Oy, oy, oy this is how it sounds now

Aza freylekhs, aza freylekhs zingt zhe, kinder

Sing so happily, so happily, children

Ot azoy zhe vi der nign klingt atsinder

This is how it sounds now

Aza freylekhs lomir ale geyn.

Let's all go so happily.

אוי-אוי-אוי, אָט אזוי זשע ווי דער ניגון קלינגט אַצינדער

אַזא פריילעכס, אַזא פריילעכס זינגט זשע קינדער

אָט אזוי זשע ווי דער ניגון קלינגט אַצינדער

אַזא פריילעכס לאָמיר אלע גיין

Hobn mir a nigndl, zingen mir tsuzamen, zingen mir tsuzamen,

We have a little tune, we sing it together, we sing it together

Zingen mir es, zingen mir es, klinkt es azoy sheyn

We sing it, we sing it, it sounds so beautiful

Dos hot nokh gezungen der tate mit der mamen

Mother and Father used to sing it

Ven zey zaynen kinder nokh geven

When they were still children

האָבן מיר אַ ניגונדל זינגען מיר צוזאַמען, זינגען מיר צוזאַמען

זינגען מיר עס, זינגען מיר עס, קלינגט עס אזוי שיין

דאָס האָט נאָך געזונגען דער טאַטע מיט דער מאַמען

ווען זיי זיינען קינדער נאָך געווען

OSEH SHALOM

Oseh shalom bimromav

Hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu

Ve'al kol Yisrael,

Ve'al kulam

Imru: amen.

May he who makes
peace on high

Make peace over us

Over all Israel

And the whole world

Let us say: Amen

Oseh shalom bimromav

Hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu

Ve'al kol Yisrael,

Ve'al kulam

Imru: amen.

ya'aseh shalom, ya'aseh shalom
shalom aleinu
Ve'al kol Yisrael

ya'aseh shalom, ya'aseh shalom
shalom aleinu
Ve'al kulam

Repeat above

Oseh shalom bimromav

Hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu

Ve'al kol Yisrael,

Ve'al kulam

Imru: amen.

Oseh shalom bimromav
Hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu
Ve'al kol Yisrael,
Ve'al kulam
Imru: amen



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