



Musée Holocauste Montréal
Montreal Holocaust Museum

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Montreal Holocaust Museum Organizes Day of Inclusive Events

Montreal, Wednesday, January 30, 2019 - In honour of Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance and Inclusion Month (JDAIM), the Montreal Holocaust Museum is organizing a unique day of events open to Montrealers of all religions, abilities and origins on Sunday, February 3, 2019:

- First, the Museum is offering 45-minute sensory-friendly tours of its permanent exhibition in French at 9:00 am and in English at 9:15 am. Places are limited and reservations can be made by contacting info@museeholocauste.ca.
- Second, Holocaust survivor testimony will be translated live into sign language. **Daisy Gross** will share her testimony in English at **1:00 pm with ASL translation**, and **Leon Celemencki** will share his testimony in French at **2:30 pm with LSQ translation**. Reservations are not required.
- Museum admission will be free all day.

This event will mark the Museum's first time participating in JDAIM. In celebration of this occasion, sensory-friendly maps and tours were developed, and will be made accessible to the public. "Everyone is welcome at the Montreal Holocaust Museum, and we are pleased to be making our permanent exhibit, as well as testimony from Holocaust survivors more accessible to all Montrealers," stated Daniel Amar, Executive Director of the Montreal Holocaust Museum.

Inclusive Holocaust education means that people of all abilities are able to learn about the history and consequences of this genocide, and the experiences of individuals who lived through it. On February 3, the Museum is doing its small part to ensure that this objective is realized.

This day of inclusive events was organized with the invaluable guidance of Carly Goodman, Coordinator of Community Inclusion at Federation CJA and Marla Cable, Resource and Training Centre Coordinator at Giant Steps School.

About the Montreal Holocaust Museum: The Montreal Holocaust Museum educates people of all ages and backgrounds about the Holocaust, while sensitising the public to the universal perils of antisemitism, racism, hate and indifference. Through its Museum, its commemorative programs and educational initiatives, the Montreal Holocaust Museum promotes respect for diversity and the sanctity of human life.

About Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance, and Inclusion Month: JDAIM is celebrated across communities in North America annually in February, to celebrate the meaningful inclusion of persons of all abilities, their families, and their loved ones in every aspect of Jewish life. It is an opportunity to celebrate our commitment to removing barriers, celebrating diversity, and connecting with our Jewish values.

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