



Musée Holocauste Montréal
Montreal Holocaust Museum

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THE MONTREAL HOLOCAUST MUSEUM REOPENS ITS PERMANENT EXHIBITION

Montreal, Friday, July 3, 2020 - Following announcements from public health officials and the Ministère de la Culture et des Communications regarding the reopening of museum institutions, the Montreal Holocaust Museum is pleased to **reopen its doors to visitor starting July 6, 2020** at 11:00 am. With [new health and safety measures](#) in place, the Museum's permanent exhibition will be open with a few important changes for visitors.

The Museum's permanent exhibition tells the story of Jewish communities before, during, and after the Holocaust. Through the life stories of Montreal survivors, the Museum invites visitors to reflect on the destruction caused by prejudice, racism, and antisemitism.

New health measures for a safe visit to the Museum

The Museum has implemented new measures to ensure that visitors have a meaningful and safe experience in the permanent exhibition. "We are eager to open the Museum while ensuring the health and safety of our visitors and staff," stated Daniel Amar, Executive Director. "We have made it a priority to go above and beyond the required health measures." Visitors can expect to wear masks and will be asked to book their tickets in advance online. The list of new safety measures is available on the Museum [website](#).

Although in-person survivor testimonies are cancelled until further notice, visitors can hear numerous recorded testimonies on the [Museum's app](#). To discover multimedia content while visiting the permanent exhibit, the public is invited to download the free app and bring their smartphones or tablets to the Museum. Interactive maps and timelines will be available via QR codes in the exhibit.

Virtual exhibits and events

Those unable to visit the Museum are encouraged to learn more about the history of the Holocaust by visiting virtual exhibitions online at museeholocauste.ca.

The latest virtual exhibit, [Ports of Exile, Home Harbours](#) demonstrates how Montreal, Marseille and Elbeuf were significant port cities for Jewish people during the Shoah. [Holocaust Life Stories](#) allows visitors to meet 14 survivors and learn more about their remarkable stories. [Building New Lives](#) explores how survivors rebuilt their lives across Canada after the Holocaust. [United Against Genocide: Understand, Question, Prevent](#) examines the stages of genocide in order for visitors to learn more about its prevention. The walking audio-tour [Refugee Boulevard](#) guides listeners



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through the Plateau neighbourhood of Montreal as survivor voices recall their early days in the city.

About the 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.

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