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CANADIANS REMEMBER THE HOLOCAUST DURING MONTREAL HOLOCAUST MUSEUM'S VIRTUAL YOM HASHOAH COMMEMORATION

Montreal, Thursday, April 1, 2021 – Despite the challenges of the current health crisis, the Montreal Holocaust Museum will host its second virtual Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) commemoration **on its [Facebook page](#) on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 6:00 pm**. Montrealers, Quebecers, and Canadians of all ages and backgrounds are invited to remember the victims of the Holocaust, honour the survivors, and learn the difficult lessons of the past.



As the world witnesses a rise of antisemitism and racism, as well as Holocaust distortion and denial, this important annual commemoration allows Canadians to stand in solidarity and remember the dangers of unchecked hatred. Last year's Yom Hashoah event was attended by thousands of participants from across the country.

This year's virtual ceremony will include special survivor testimonies from **Gilbert Uzan, Mugette Myers, Lily Toth, Leo Kliot, Pinchas Blitt, and the late Ursula Feist**, as well as reflections from their children and grandchildren. The commemoration will also feature messages of hope and solidarity from **Quebec Premier François Legault, David Levy**, Consul General of Israel for Quebec and the Atlantic Provinces, and many other diplomatic and political figures. Participants will hear moving musical performances from **Alexandre Da Costa**, Artistic Director and Conductor of the Symphonic Orchestra of Longueuil.



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This commemoration is organised in partnership with the Azrieli Foundation, Federation CJA, Sarah and Chaim Neuberger Holocaust Education Centre, Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre, Jewish Heritage Centre of Western Canada, Raoul Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights, Cummings Centre, Atlantic Jewish Council, Canadian Sephardi Federation, and Communauté Sépharade Unifiée du Québec.

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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