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***Anne Frank: A History for Today* | March 6 — May 18, 2016**



[Seattle, WA]: On March 6, the Henry and Sandra Friedman Holocaust Center for Humanity opens its first traveling exhibit, *Anne Frank: A History for Today*.

The life story of Anne Frank is the centerpiece of this exhibition, reflecting world events prior to, during, and after Nazi control. The exhibit juxtaposes photographs of the Frank family with images of historical events at the time to show how persecuted people such as the Franks were affected by political decisions and the actions of individuals.

Today, children and their families continue to be victims of violence, war, and conflict. This exhibit allows visitors to consider the effects of prejudice, discrimination, hate, and violence. Through the story of Anne Frank, visitors are encouraged to examine their own attitudes towards others.

“For the first time in over a decade, Seattle will host a major Anne Frank exhibit,” said Ilana Cone Kennedy, Director of Education at the Holocaust Center for Humanity. “Never more relevant than today, this exceptional exhibit resonates with people of all ages and backgrounds. Anne’s life story challenges us to think critically, engage with current events, and to take an active role in our communities and government.”

Anne Frank: A History for Today was developed by the Anne Frank House and is sponsored in North America by the Anne Frank Center USA. This special exhibit opens to the public on March 6,

although school groups are encouraged to start scheduling field trips now by emailing Julia@HolocaustCenterSeattle.org.

ABOUT THE CENTER: The Holocaust Center for Humanity has been teaching students to become engaged citizens and to speak out against intolerance and hatred since 1989. The Center works directly with teachers, students, and community groups across the Northwest to provide educational materials, curriculum, and interaction with Holocaust survivors who tell their stories to 20,000 students of all ages each year.

The Center's mission is to inspire teaching and learning for humanity in the schools and communities of this region through study of the Holocaust. Find out more at HolocaustCenterSeattle.org.

RELATED PROGRAMMING

Lunch & Learn: Hidden Like Anne

March 23, 11:30AM - 1:15PM

Henry and Sandra Friedman Holocaust Center for Humanity

Come learn from Bertie, Pete, and Hester, all hidden children who, like Anne Frank, were born and lived in Amsterdam when the Nazis took power. Hear their stories of survival. Brown bag lunch. Coffee and cookies served. Reservations required online at www.HolocaustCenterSeattle.org

Holocaust Remembrance Day (Yom Hashoah): *Anne Frank Tree Planting and "Life with Anne"*

May 1, 2:00 - 4:00PM

Seattle Center, Nesholm Family Lecture Hall at McCaw Hall

Life with Anne: Holocaust survivor Laureen Nussbaum shares memories of her childhood with the Frank family, and her own Holocaust experiences. Music will be provided by local musician Sera Cahoone. **Anne Frank Tree Sapling Dedication:** In January, the Center planted a sapling from the historic chestnut tree Anne saw from her attic window in Amsterdam. Join us to dedicate the tree to the city of Seattle in the Seattle Center Peace Garden and celebrate this symbol of hope, courage, diversity, and respect.

Yom Hashoah Observance

May 4, 6:30 - 8:00PM

Stroum Jewish Community Center, Mercer Island

Holocaust Remembrance Day memorial service and candle lighting ceremony in honor of those who perished. Hear local Holocaust survivor Henry Friedman tell his story of survival against all odds, hidden for 18 months with his mother, brother, and teacher in the tiny attic of a barn in the Polish countryside.