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Schindler's List at 30 Making a Museum of Survivors

Sunday 25th June, 2023

Brnenec, Czech Republic

(with a pre and post day, 24-26th June in Brno)

We would like to invite you to the Arks, the ruined concentration camp, where Oskar and Emilie Schindler saved 1200 Jews. You are **invited to watch the film Schindler's List in the place where the events occurred to mark its 30 years anniversary.**

Is the story still relevant? Can an individual stand up to discrimination and to killing systems? How do survivors shape our world? You will hear the **testimonies of survivors and contribute to the co-design of Making a Museum of Survivors from the ruins.**



The **event will launch a two-year process to « Make a Museum » with schools from five countries.** There are 50,000 hours of testimonies collected by the Shoah Foundation. You will **follow an iWalk of the stories that occurred here, the testimonies and film clips, and experience the poems, music and art of survivors who shaped our world.** Their descendants will be present. The grandson of the previous Jewish owners of the factories will guide you around the site sharing the stories.

There will be a **pre and post half day in Brno** with a Reconciliation March of Czechs, Germans, Austrians and Jews, learning activities on textiles and genetics, and a workshop in a Brno school.

The **teachers and students from five countries will contribute to « Making a Museum »** co-design activities in Schindler's Ark. They will become student Arks diplomats and can participate in learning activities over the next two years with the other schools. **They will be invited back to the launch of the museum in 2025 to see their ideas and names installed permanently.** We recommend 5-15 students per teacher, and the teacher will be paid a modest stipend for participation.

We very much look forward to seeing you in Brnenec, Czech Republic to participate in the 30th anniversary showing of Schindler's List and at the start of making a museum of survivors.

Warm regards

Daniel Low-Beer



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AGENDA

<p>Saturday, 24th June, Brno, 4.30-6.30pm</p> <p>Refreshments</p>	<p>Reconciliation March – Brno – of Czechs, Germans, Austrians and Jews, following the path of people expelled at the end of the war</p> <p>Mendel Museum, Mendel Square – breaking the ice, meeting each other, introduction of different schools and objectives. Learning activity on where we are, Brno, Central Europe, textiles and genetics. Genetics was discovered in this glass house 200 years ago, textiles 20,000 years ago. Introduction to the schools. Do we belong together? Two songs.</p>
<p>Sunday 25th June, 10am- 8.30pm, Brnenec</p>	<p>“Making a Museum of Survivors”, Brnenec – Introduction to Schindler’s Ark, testimony education and Making a Museum co-design activity. Music and Film. (<i>Bus leaves hotel in Brno to Brnenec at 9am</i>). Exhibition of Joseph Bau art. Lunch and evening snack provided.</p>
<p>10.30am-1pm</p>	<p>Introduction to Schindler’s Ark and Testimony Education – Working with the 110,000 hours of testimonies of survivors and discovering the story of Schindler’s Ark as told by people who survived.</p> <p>Making a Museum - Tour of Schindler’s Ark led by the descendants of Joseph Bau (a Schindler Jew) and Daniel Low-Beer whose Jewish family owned the factory until it was stolen in 1938. Lunch in rotating groups.</p>
<p>1-3pm</p>	<p>« Making a Museum » Co-design Group Activity. Introduction to Museum Plans. Participants from five countries contribute and develop an idea of what should be in a Museum of Survivors. The aim is to discuss how to communicate to the next generation, thirty years after Schindler’s List, in different countries.</p>
<p>3-4pm</p>	<p>Discussion with survivors’ families on Schindler’s List at 30 and “Making a Museum of Survivors” - discussion with survivors’ families, including Bau sisters, Eva Lustigova, and representatives from five countries on co-design ideas and commitments.</p>
<p>4-5pm</p>	<p>Music Concert based on poems of survivors written during the war. Refreshments</p>
<p>5-9pm</p>	<p>Schindler’s List Film in the ruined warehouse where the events occurred. A theatre will be built in the ruins which will stay there to show the film regularly for a year. Followed by buses back to Brno accommodation</p>
<p>Monday, 26th June, 9-12</p>	<p>Workshop – Do we belong together? In Brno Gymnasium. Introduction to Jewish history of the region and how it is intertwined with Europe.</p>