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**Together with**

**The Miami-Dade County Public Schools,  
Division of Academics, Department of Social Sciences**

**Present the**

**20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Holocaust Teacher Institute  
June 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Online – via Zoom**

**In Memory of The Klein Family  
Rabbi Maurice Klein, Sara Klein and Federal Judge, The Honorable Ted Klein  
and Honoring 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Son, Mr. Hank Klein and Ms. Lisa Sloat**

*The Teaching Institute is in Memory and in Honor of Dr. Eckhard Podack*



*..... To Heal the World  
With Gratitude*

*At this time of healing from the pandemic national crisis, we want to thank you for your ongoing support of our Institute, which enables us to continue the important work of educating teachers, students, and community about the sacred history of the Holocaust. We honor and value your willingness to join hands with us to build a better future of love, kindness and respect for others. Therefore, Miriam and our team thank each and every one of YOU.*

*We ask you to please continue your support as we celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup> year of educating teachers, students and our world-wide community.*

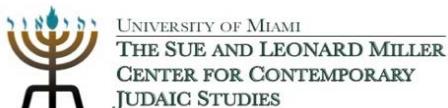
*My Heartfelt Thanks to You All,*

*Dr. Miriam Klein Kassenoff, Director  
The University of Miami Holocaust Teacher Institute Team*



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***Holocaust Studies Summer Institute 2021  
Teaching the Holocaust, Human Rights, & Social Responsibility***



**Sunday, June 13, 2021  
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

***OPENING INSTITUTE RECEPTION***

***Reception Honoring Dean Laura Kohn-Wood,  
School of Education and Human Development, University of Miami and  
Mr. Alberto Carvalho, Superintendent of Schools, Miami-Dade County Public Schools***

*(Please note that all times listed are approximate)*

**4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Registration and Opening Institute Remarks**

**Dr. Miriam Klein Kassenoff, Curriculum Support Specialist,  
Department of Social Sciences, Miami-Dade County Public Schools;  
Director of the Holocaust Teacher Institute, School of Education and  
Human Development, University of Miami**

*The following opening Mr. Elisha Wiesel presentation is in honor of  
Superintendent Alberto Carvalho*

**4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Guest Keynote Presenter/Mr. Elisha Wiesel,**

*In Conversation with Ms. Ellen Bachner Greenberg, Founder  
Descendants of Holocaust Survivors/2G Greater New York*

**Topic: “Answering the Call of My Father, Elie Wiesel”**

**5:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Topic: Concert / Musical Interlude  
“A World of Jewish Song”  
Sung in Hebrew, Yiddish, Ladino (Judeo-Spanish) and English.**

**Presenter: Ms. Laura Wetzler,  
World-Renowned Award-Winning Singer/Guitarist**

*This presentation is in honor of Dr. & Mrs. Alfred and Susan  
Feingold, Institute Supporters and Mr. Howard Herring,  
CEO, New World Symphony*

**6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. “Shabbat with Survivors”, Film/Documentary Preview**

*This presentation is in Honor of Mr. Victor San Martin, Student Film  
Producer and Mr. Eduardo Barreto, Teacher/Mentor, TERRA  
Environmental Research Institute*

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**Monday, June 14, 2021**  
**8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

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| <b>8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.</b>   | <b>Registration / Opening Remarks</b>   |
| <i>In Honor of Mr. David Lawrence, Jr.</i>   |   |
| <b>8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.</b>   | <b>Topic: “Teaching the Holocaust Through Memoir and Diaries”<br/>“<u>Night</u>” by Elie Wiesel</b> |
| Presenter: Ms. Christina Chavarria, Program Coordinator,<br>Levine Institute for Holocaust Education, United States Holocaust<br>Memorial Museum, Washington, D.C. |   |
| <b>9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Break</b>  |
| <i>This presentation Honors the Memory of Eckhard R. Podack, M.D., Ph.D.<br/>and is in Honor of Ms. Kristin Podack</i>   |   |
| <b>10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.</b>   | <b>Topic: <u>Why? Explaining the Holocaust</u></b>  |
| Presenter: Dr. Peter Hayes, Author and Historian<br>Professor Emeritus of History, Weinberg College of Arts and<br>Sciences, Northwestern University               |   |
| <b>11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.</b>   | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.</b>   | <b><i>In Honor of Mrs. Joan Kasner and Mrs. Bobbie Siegal</i></b>                                   |
| <b>Topic: <u>Jews of Florida: Centuries of Stories</u></b>   |   |
| Presenter: Mrs. Marcia Jo Zerivitz, Author and Founding Executive<br>Director, Jewish Museum of Florida-FIU  |   |
| <b>12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.</b>   | <b>Lunch Break</b>  |

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**AFTERNOON SESSIONS**

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*In Honor of Mr. John Labonia and Dr. Haim Shaked*

**12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.**      **Topic: “The Twisted Road to Auschwitz”**

**Presenter: Dr. Michael Berenbaum**  
**Eminent Scholar, Historian, Writer, Lecturer**

**1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**      **Break**

*In Honor of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby and Susan Rosenthal,  
Mr. David Schaecter and Ms. Sydney Carpel*

**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**      **Topic: “The Future of Memory and Education”**

**Presenter: Dr. Kori Street, Senior Director, Programs and  
Operations, University of Southern California, Shoah Foundation**

*In Honor of and Dr. & Mrs. Roy and Fay Weiss and  
Mr. Marc A. Levin*

**3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**      **Topic: “An Amazing Virtual Journey to the Holocaust Memorial  
on Miami Beach”**

**Presenters: Mrs. Sharon Horowitz, Executive Director,  
Holocaust Memorial, Greater Miami Jewish Federation**

**Mr. Daniel Reed, Education Coordinator,  
Holocaust Memorial, Greater Miami Jewish Federation**

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**Tuesday, June 15, 2021**

**8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

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**8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.      Overview of Previous Day**

*In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Barton and Lyanne Wassermann and  
Mr. Rick Lieberman*

**8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.      Topic: “The Pyramid of Hate” - Combating Antisemitism**

Presenter: Mrs. Yael Hershfield, Interim Regional Director,  
Anti-Defamation League, Florida

*In Honor of Mr. Robert Brazofsky*

**9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.      Topic: “Resistance and Rescue” using the film, The Pigeon**

Presenters: Mr. Jeremy Nesoff, Director of District Partnerships,  
Facing History and Ourselves, Boston, MA

Mr. Juan Castellano, Associate Program Director,  
Facing History and Ourselves, New York, NY

**10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.      BREAK**

*In gratitude to Dr. Kathy Pham for her volunteer services in assistance with the Institute*

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**THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY WILL BE DEVOTED TO  
SURVIVOR VOICES**

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*In Honor of Mrs. Lorena Gonda, Mrs. Judy Rodan and Mrs. Liz Schonfeld*

**11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.      *Introduction and Honoring Ms. Jessica Katz, 3G***

**Topic: “Teaching Students the Holocaust through Literature:  
Educating Without Overwhelming”**

**Presenter: Mrs. Kathy Kacer, Daughter of Survivor  
Author of Books About the Holocaust for Students**

**12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.      LUNCH BREAK**

**Optional Session:**

**Topic: “Running and Hiding From The Nazis-My Miraculous  
Escape On The Eve of The Holocaust”**

**Presenter: Testimony – Dr. Miriam Klein Kassenoff**

**12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.      *Honoring Mrs. Stephanie Rosen, 3G Miami and Mrs. Mindelle Pierce, 2G***

**Topic: “Why Didn’t They Just Leave?”- *The Jewish Refugee Dilemma***

**Presenter: Mrs. Sally N. Levine, Executive Director, Georgia  
Commission on the Holocaust**

**1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.      Break**

**2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.      *Honoring Mrs. Julie Paresky, 3G Miami and Dr. Tsipy Gur, 2G***

***This presentation is in honor of all daughters and granddaughters of  
Holocaust Survivors.***

**Topic: “Other Voices: Daughters of the Holocaust”**

**Presenters: Dr. Eva Fogelman- 2G, Author, Psychologist,  
Mrs. Ellen Bachner Greenberg – Founder of 2G Greater New York  
Mrs. Liz Schonfeld, 2G, Film Producer  
Mrs. Marilyn Sinclair – 2G, Founder of Liberation 75**

**3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.      *Closing/Final Comments***