



*Centre for Holocaust Education and Scholarship*  
(CHES)

## A Special Holocaust Education Month Preview

### October 2021

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#### **A Message from the Chair**

We are delighted to announce that CHES continues to spread its wings. We welcome three new partners: the Embassy of Israel, Liberation 75, and Equity, Diversity, and Training at the Ottawa Carleton District School Board. We look forward to working together with our partners on new and exciting projects in 2022. One such project is the Shoah Foundation's Last Chance Visual History, an important initiative that aims to reach survivors who wish to share their stories and have not yet done so.

CHES joins other organizations in commending the Government of Canada for the pledges made on October 13th at the Malmö International Forum on Holocaust Remembrance and Combating Antisemitism, as part of its commitment to fight antisemitism and promote Holocaust awareness. "We need to attack directly the problem of antisemitism with increased urgency and focus all together, because antisemitism isn't a problem for the Jewish community to solve alone," prime minister Justin Trudeau told the forum.

The prime minister announced at the Forum that Canada will develop a national plan to combat hate with the help of its special envoy Honorable Irwin Cotler. He added that Canada will make

permanent the special envoy for preserving Holocaust remembrance and fighting antisemitism and will bolster the position with [more resources](#).

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## Holocaust Education Month 2021

As November nears, we embrace the fall season, and with it, the final stages of preparation of exciting and exceptional programs for Holocaust Education Month (HEM). See details and registration information below or click on the following links:

<https://bit.ly/CHESnov9> ||| <https://bit.ly/CHESnov14> ||| <https://bit.ly/CHESnov24>

[Read more...](#)

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## Financial Support Appreciated

We are grateful to all our supporters and HEM sponsors for their generous donations which have exceeded our most optimistic expectations. These donations will go a long way towards advancing our mission and will help us to produce new and advanced educational programming. Antisemitism is rarely an isolated form of hatred; it often paves the way for the escalation of bigotry and prejudice against other groups. We urge our readers to make a difference and support our fight against antisemitism and to keep Holocaust memory alive. To donate, please click on the donation button at the end of the Bulletin.

**Another option:** Consider donating through the Giving Tuesday campaign on November 30th. This will help us to reach our goal and kick-start an exciting new project. Details will be shared soon.

**A gentle reminder:** All our events are virtual. To participate, you will need to register. See links for registration below. Please invite a friend to join you for HEM programs.

*Mina Cohn, CHES Chair*

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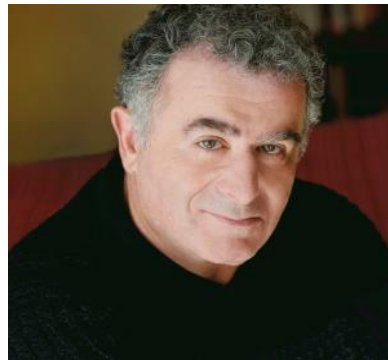
## HOLOCAUST EDUCATION MONTH NOVEMBER 2021

Virtual Events | Nov 9, 14, & 24



### Acclaimed Actor Saul Rubinek headlines CHES Kristallnacht Commemoration: Heroes, Victims, Perpetrators, and the Ties that Transform

By Toby Herscovitch



Be among the first to hear acclaimed Canadian actor Saul Rubinek perform excerpts from his play, “All in the Telling”. Here’s why you won’t want to miss it.

When his daughter Hannah was 13 years old, Saul Rubinek — actor-writer-director — showed her class the documentary about his parents’ survival during the Holocaust, based on his 1987 book, published by Penguin, *So Many Miracles*. “I wanted to inspire the children to investigate their own family stories.” [Read more...](#)

For information and registration, visit: <https://bit.ly/CHESnov9>

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## Helen Epstein's Literary Pilgrimage: "Enriching our quest for memory and understanding"

By Benita Siemiatycki



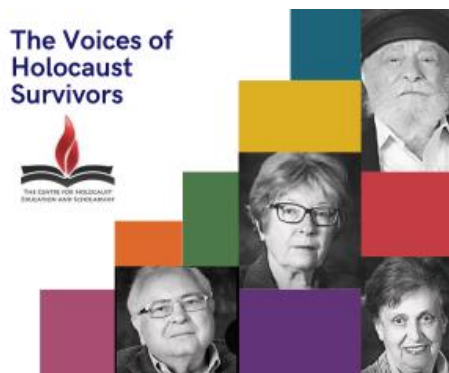
Building upon previous programs offered for descendants of survivors, this year CHES is proud to welcome writer Helen Epstein who will deliver a presentation entitled "*The Shadow of the Holocaust on the Lives of Children of Survivors ... Is it Possible to Move Beyond its Grip?*" as part of Holocaust Education Month. [Read more...](#)

For information and registration, visit: <https://bit.ly/CHESnov14>

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## 2021 Teacher Workshop Aims to Promote Equity, Diversity and Inclusion(EDI) Through Holocaust Education

By Kenra Mroz



From left top: Cantor Kraus, Kati Morrison, Vera Gara, Raould Korngold

Entitled "Testimonies of the Holocaust, Inspiring Change Through Legacy: In-Depth Exploration of the Voices of Holocaust Survivors," the 2021 workshop shall be based upon the [testimonies of Ottawa-area Holocaust survivors](#) recorded by CHES in June 2016. [Read more...](#)

For information and registration, visit: <https://bit.ly/CHESnov24>

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**A Unique Opportunity Coming Next Spring:** Meet Saul Rubinek in person at a *Meet and Greet Reception* hosted by CHES. A generous donation of \$180.00 (or more) to grow CHES's vital education programs promises attendees a riveting evening and prime time with this award-winning actor, director, producer, and "born storyteller."

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