

Midwest Center for Holocaust Education Annotated Videography List

MCHE strongly encourages each teacher to preview videos prior to classroom viewing to ensure age appropriateness and extent of graphic materials. The recommendations provided should be weighed against the needs and readiness of your students.

Abraham and His Children: An Interfaith Dialogue

25 min Adult

This program investigates the similarities and differences of the content and symbol of the covenant Abraham made with God in relation to Judaism, Christianity, and Muslim faiths.

Subject(s): Judaism, Religion

Adolf Eichmann: Hitler's Master of Death

50 min HS+

This video details Eichmann's early life and his rise to SS lieutenant colonel and architect of the "Final Solution." A mix of historical photos, film clips, and exclusive interviews are employed. Extensive footage of Eichmann's trial in 1961 is included.

Subject(s): Eichmann

Ambulance

10 min/B&W (Silent) HS+

This short film gives viewers a microcosm of the Holocaust. German music and the rantings of Hitler are interspersed with coughs of exhaust from an ambulance.

Subject(s): Children, Genocide, Hitler

America and the Holocaust: Deceit and Indifference

60 min/Color & B/W MS+

The video explores the painful and difficult story of America's response to the murder of 6,000,000 Jews by the Nazis and their collaborators. Using interviews, archival photos and documents, and home movies and film from the time, the program traces the tragic story of America's inaction.

Subject(s): United States

American Gypsy: A Stranger in Everybody's Land

80 min Adult

There are about one million Gypsies living in America today, and most people do not know anything about them. It is one man's obsessive pursuit of justice and dignity that leads filmmaker Jasmine Dellal into their hidden thousand-year-old culture.

Subject(s): Gypsies, Other Victims

American Story

Twelve-23 minute video/Guides MS+

This is the American experience as seen through the eyes of twelve families with diverse ethnic and religious backgrounds.

Subject(s): Immigration

America's Civil Rights Movement

38 min/Color/Text HS+

This documentary of historic footage and the voices of the movement participants give a view of the Civil Rights movement from the perspective of the ordinary people who lived through them.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Angel of Bergen-Belsen

50 min HS+

This is the incredible true story of a woman whose compassion saved more than 50 children from the horrors of the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Auschwitz, Rescue

Angst

56 min/Color

Adult

This is an analysis of the lives and careers of three Jewish comedians whose parents were Holocaust survivors. It includes excerpts of their stage performances as well as personal interviews

Subject(s): Second Generation, Survivors

Anne Frank: A Legacy for Our Time

38 min/Teacher's manual & worksheets

MS

This is a two-part program that uses Anne Frank's story to help students examine their own attitudes about human rights, prejudice, morality, justice, and the responsibility of the individual in society. Part 1 quotes liberally from Anne Frank's Diary. Part 2 explores both historical and current fascist movements.

Subject(s): Anne Frank

Anne Frank Remembered

117 min/Color

MS

Combining eyewitness testimony with rare photos, family letters, and archival footage, this film documents the story of the Frank family.

Subject(s): Anne Frank

Armenian Genocide: Annihilation of the Armenian Population of the Ottoman Empire 1915-1923

25 min/Guide/Color & B/W

HS Warning: some graphic footage

Linking contemporary human rights violations with the first genocide of modern times, this thought provoking documentary raises questions about ethnic and racial discrimination and 1991 program outlines the 3000-year Armenian heritage. Contains archival footage and photographs, interviews with survivors and descendants, maps, press clippings, and location footage.

Subject(s): Armenia, Genocide, Persecution

Assignment: Rescue

26 min/Book and guides

HS+

Meryl Streep narrates a story about Varian Fry, an American journalist and rescuer of Jewish refugees in Vichy, France. His work is not recognized for many years until 1967 by the French government, shortly before his death. In 1991, Fry was honored by United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. In 1996, he was the first American to be honored at Yad Vashem.

Subject(s): France, Rescue, Resistance

The Attic: The Hiding of Anne Frank

95 min/Color

MS+

This documentary of Anne Frank's life in the secret annex is the historically accurate drama based on the book, *Anne Frank Remembered*, by Miep Gies.

Subject(s): Anne Frank, Holland, Righteous Gentiles

Au Revoir Les Enfants (Goodbye, Children)

103 min/Color

HS+

This is the story of a friendship between Julien, a Catholic boy, and his schoolmate Jean, one of several Jewish children being sheltered at a boarding school during the Nazi occupation of France. Dubbed in English.

Subject(s): Children, France

Auschwitz: If You Cried You Died

28 min/Guide

MS+

The journey of two Holocaust survivors, David Mandel and Mike Vogel as they revisit Auschwitz is chronicled in this documentary. The video's excellent introduction provides an overview of the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Auschwitz, Survivors

Avenue of the Just

55 min

MS+

The title refers to the tree-lined walk at Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust memorial honoring righteous Gentiles who saved Jewish lives. There are interviews with men and women who sacrificed for others, and with some of the people they saved.

Subject(s): Rescue, Righteous Gentiles

Band of Brothers

700 min/Color/B & W

Adult

Based on Stephen E. Ambrose's bestselling study, this 8 part, 6 cassette series follows the experiences of the paratroopers of Easy Company in the European Theater during WWII. The sixth video has interviews with surviving members, as well as archival photo graphs and rare film footage of the Company during the War.

Subject(s): World War II

Bearing Witness: American Soldiers and the Holocaust

HS+

22 min

Focused on American soldiers, this award-winning film uses archival photographs, film, and moving interviews to explore the liberation of the death camps.

Subject(s): Concentration Camps, Liberation, United States

Beate Klarsfeld: Bringing Nazi War Criminals to Justice

30 min

HS+

The woman, who brought Klaus Barbie, among others, to justice, describes her work in documenting, tracking down, and punishing those who planned and ordered the murder of Jews during the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Nazi War Crimes

Because of That War

90 min/Color/English Subtitles

MS+

The collaboration of two of Israel's top rock musicians, Yehuda Poliker and Ya'akov Gilad, takes an unexpected turn when they learn that they are both children of Holocaust survivors.

Subject(s): Second Generation

Berga: Soldiers of Another War

90 min

Adult

Charles Guggenheim dedicated the last six months of his life finishing this film. This is a story about his fellow American infantrymen, who were captured during the Battle of the Bulge, then sent to a Nazi slave labor camp where many of them died.

Subject(s) Concentration Camps, United States, Prisoners of War

Blood Money, Switzerland's Nazi Gold - Investigative Reports

100 min/Color

HS+

Before and during World War II, thousands of victims of Nazi persecution mostly Jews stashed their money in numbered accounts in neutral Switzerland, to be reclaimed by family members after the war. More than 50 years after the end of the war, much of this wealth remains unclaimed, and the Swiss claim that the documentation and the funds have been lost.

Subject(s): Switzerland

Bonhoeffer: Agent of Grace

90 min

Adult

This video is based on the life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German Lutheran clergyman of great distinction. Bonhoeffer actively opposed Hitler and the Nazi party, and this cost him his life.

Subject(s): Bonhoeffer, Resistance

Breaking Through Stereotypes

15 min

HS+

Using Hollywood films and other media as a context, this video takes a hard look at racial and ethnic stereotypes and how they shape our interactions with others. Hispanics, Asians, Italians, African Americans and Jews are explored from the youth producers' perspective as a way of promoting greater understanding. This is an excellent discussion starter for a multicultural curriculum, conflict resolution and human dynamic training.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Camera of My Family: Four Generations in Germany

18 min/Guide/Color & B/W

MS+

Four generations of Catherine Noren's (German photographer) are brought to life from 1845-1945.

Subject(s): Antisemitism, Nazism

Camp of Hope and Despair: Witnesses of Westerbork

70 min/Color Voice Over

MS+

Westerbork (Eastern Holland) was the last stop for Dutch Jews before being deported to concentration camps. This video shows how Jewish daily life still continued.

Subject(s): Holland, Resistance

Caring with Dignity

15 min/Color

MS+

This documentary tells the story of Blue Card and its mission. Blue Card is a charitable organization founded in 1940 that aids Jewish Holocaust survivors and their descendants.

Subject(s): Aide, Recovery, Survivors

Century - America's Time: The Beginning through the 20s

6 videos - 700 min

HS+

This is the 12-part documentary on six videotapes that is a companion to the book of the same name.

Subject(s): United States

Century with Peter Jennings

6 videos

Adult

This six cassette, 12 segment set covers watershed events in the 20th century, including World War 1, its aftermath, Hitler's rise to power and the horrors of his regime.

Subject(s): United States

Child in Two Worlds: Jewish War Orphans

60 min/Color/In Dutch w/English subtitles

HS+

Jewish parents sent children into hiding in Christian foster homes in WWII. This video focuses on five Jewish war orphans, including Halinka who was thrown over the wall of the Warsaw Ghetto and caught and cared for by a Polish policeman.

Subject(s): Children, Survivors

Children of the Holocaust

51 min

HS+

These are the stories of four people who, as children, survived the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Children, Survivors

Children Remember the Holocaust

46 min/Guide

MS+

Keanu Reeves hosts this documentary based on diaries of children who survived the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Genocide

Choosing One's Way: Resistance in Auschwitz/Birkenau

30 min

HS+

This documentary is about the little-known story of resistance in Auschwitz. Accomplished through the smuggling of gunpowder from a nearby munitions factory, the inmates succeeded in the destruction of Crematorium #4.

Subject(s): Resistance

Conspiracy

96 min

Adults

This drama starring Kenneth Branagh and Stanley Tucci dramatizes (in real time) the Wannsee Conference that led to the greatest crime of the 20th century.

Subject(s): Final Solution, Wannsee Conference

Courage to Care

30 min/Color

HS+

This video depicts ordinary people who refuse to succumb to Nazi tyranny. They fed strangers, kept secrets, and provided hiding places. These were exceptional actions in an era of apathy and complicity.

Subject(s): Rescue, Righteous Gentiles

Daniel Libeskind: Welcome to the 21st Century

49 min/Color

Adult

Libeskind, structural engineer Cecil Balmond, architectural writer Charles Jencks, the Kensington Society's Sir Ronald Arculus, and other supporters and skeptics air their views on the Jewish Museum Berlin and other buildings.

Subject(s): Architecture, Germany

Daniel's Story

14 min/B&W

4th Grade +

Issued in conjunction with the USHMM exhibit, this story is based upon experiences of real children who lived at the time of the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Children, Germany

Daring to Resist: Three Women Face the Holocaust

58 min

HS+

Three Jewish women reflect on their lives as teenagers in Holland, Hungary and Poland during World War II when they refused to remain passive in the face of the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Resistance

Das Leben von Adolf Hitler- The Life of Adolf Hitler

101 min/B&W

MS+

This video contains archival footage of Europe including rise of Nazi party, years after WWI, hyperinflation of currency, still and motion pictures of Hitler, Beer Hall Putsch, Hitler's years in jail and rebuilding of Nazi party, etc.

Subject(s): Hitler, Nazism

Dear Kitty

25 min

4th Grade+

In this film the life of Anne Frank is told with quotations from her diary together with images of the place where she was hiding, photos from the family album, and historical film material. To make it understandable what happened to this well-known girl, some historical background is given.

Subject(s): Anne Frank

Debt to Honor

30 min

MS+

Alan Alda narrates this story about how eighty percent of the Italian Jewish community was saved from Nazi death camps during WW II. This is a story of how several Italians saved Jews during WWII.

Subject(s): Italy, Rescue, Righteous Gentiles

Degenerate Art

60 min/Color

MS+

This video examines the historical context of the infamous *Entartete Kunst* (degenerate art) exhibition mounted by the Nazis in Munich in 1937 and the far-reaching effects of the Nazis' vilification of the avant-garde of Germany.

Subject(s): Germany, Nazism

Diplomats for the Damned

50 min

Adult

Here are the unsung stories of men who risked their careers and lives to save Jews from the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Resistance, Righteous Gentiles

Displaced Persons

48 min/Color & B/W

MS+

The voyage of the *SS Fearless* from Italy to Palestine with several hundred "illegal" Jewish immigrants was filmed.

Subject(s): Displaced Persons, Illegal Immigration

Double Crossing- The Voyage of the St. Louis

29 min/Color & B/W

Adult

On May 13, 1939, *The St. Louis* sailed from Hamburg with over 900 Jewish refugees bound for Havana, Cuba. The Cuban government broke its promise of entry, the U.S. denied entry, and the ship was sent back to Europe. Archival footage and interviews of survivors are included.

Subject(s): Cuba, Emigration, St. Louis Voyage

Dov Frieberg: A Survivor of Sobibor Remembers

57 min

High School

A survivor of Sobibor tells how he sneaks out of the ghetto to a small town. The Germans surround the town and the people taken by train to Sobibor where the victims are tortured, killed, and the bodies burned.

Subject(s): Sobibor, Survivor

Echoes That Remain: The Story of the People of the Shtetl

60 min/Color

Adult

This video depicts Jewish Shtetl life before the Holocaust. Rare archival photos and footage from Czech, Hungary, Poland, and Romania can be viewed.

Subject(s): Eastern Europe, Shtetl

Elie Wiesel: First Person Singular

60 min

Adults

A personal narrative by Elie Wiesel, this video shows his post-Holocaust experiences as journalist, author, teacher, and human rights activist in different countries, including the United States.

Subject(s): Personal Narrative, Survivors, Wiesel

Elie Wiesel: Witness to the Holocaust

20 min/Color/Guide

MS+

Offering an intimate glimpse of the 1986 Peace Prize Winner, this program highlights Wiesel's devotion to the cause of peace. The program includes a student activity notebook with excerpts from Wiesel's work.

Subject(s): Survivors, Wiesel

Eternal Jew

70 min

Adults

Der ewige Jude (The Eternal Jew) is the most famous Nazi propaganda film. It depicts Polish Jews as corrupt, filthy, lazy, and ugly: they are an alien people who have taken over the world through their control of banking, yet they live like animals.

Subject(s): Nazism

Europa Europa

114 min/Color

Adults

This film depicts the desperate actions that young Solomon Perel took to survive the holocaust. Passing himself off as an orphan amongst Soviet resistors, he later poses as a Hitler Youth and finally ends up in the last wave of the German army.

Subject(s) Resistance, Survivors

Eyes From the Ashes: Archival Photos from Auschwitz-Birkenau

12 min/B&W

Adult

Over two thousand Jewish personal photographs were pasted into ledger books, and remained at Auschwitz until photojournalist Ann Weiss publicized them. Many unknown faces have been recognized.

Subject(s): Auschwitz, Pre-war

Field of Buttercups

30 min/B&W

MS+

This is a documentary about Dr. Janusz Korczak's orphanage for Jewish children in Warsaw Ghetto.

Subject(s): Children, Korczak, Warsaw Ghetto

Final Solution

208 min.

Adult

This British documentary, a four volume set (volume 1 missing), reveals how Hitler carried out the systematic extermination of millions of Jews in German death camps during World War II. Extensive use is made of period photos and film as well as shocking footage filmed by the Germans themselves. Also featured are moving, personal stories, told by death camp survivors and in-depth interviews with former German participants.

Subject(s) Auschwitz, Death Squads, Final Solution, Ghettos, Inter War, Nazism, Propaganda

For the Living

57 min/Color

MS+

The planning and building of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. are explored in this video.

Subject(s): Holocaust Museum

From Bitter Earth: Artists of the Holocaust

50 min

HS+

Throughout the Holocaust, Jewish artists created work that vividly documented the horror of Hitler's reign. This program pays tribute to these artists, to the politics of their art, and to the tenacity of their creative spirit.

Subject(s): Art

Generation Apart

60 min/Color

HS+

Interviews with second generation and their parents, siblings, and peers are interspersed with photographs of the Holocaust as parents tell their stories.

Subject(s): Second Generation

Genocide: Story of Man's Inhumanity for Man

90 min/Color

MS+

This introduction to the Final Solution uses documentary film, photographs, and a moving narration by Orson Welles and Elizabeth Taylor.

Subject(s): Final Solution, Genocide

Good Evening, Mr. Wallenberg

115 min/Color

HS

This is the story of Raoul Wallenberg, one of the greatest unsung heroes of World War II who was a Swedish diplomat that worked tirelessly to save Jews in Budapest, and the only man aside from Sir Winston Churchill to ever be made an honorary citizen of the U.S.

Subject(s): Resistance, Righteous Gentile

Good Man in Hell: General Romeo Dallaire and the Rwanda Genocide

13 min

HS

This interview by Ted Koppel of General Dallaire recounts his attempts to save lives, even as the United Nations removed nearly all its troops from the country. Also contains background information on the Rwandan Genocide.

Subject(s): Rwanda

Green Eggs and Ham and Other Stories

30 min/Color

Elementary +

This animated video contains three Dr. Seuss stories including one about the very prejudice Sneetches who live on the beaches.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Hangman

12 min

HS

Based on Maurice Ogden's award winning poem, and narrated by Herschel Bernardi, this animated film creates a chilling metaphoric journey of the forces of evil as they grow and flourish in the fertile soil of apathy and social irresponsibility.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Hanna's War

148 min/Color

HS+

This is the true story of Hannah Senesh and her fatal rescue mission back to Hungary. Captured and tortured by Nazis, she never reveals others involved in the mission.

Subject(s): Resistance

Hannaleh's Rescue

30 min/8 laminated posters

Elementary

Familiarizing children with the history of the period, this is the story of a little Jewish girl, Hannaleh, and her family, from the time of their arrival in the Ghetto until she was smuggled out to safety. Subject(s): Children

Heil Hitler! Confessions of a Hitler Youth

30 min/Color & B/W

MS+

This true story is based on the book by Alfons Heck and how he became a high ranking member of the Hitler Youth during WWII.

Subject(s): Hitler Youth

Hiding and Seeking: Faith and Tolerance After the Holocaust HS+

85 min

Parents and their adult children, Orthodox Jews, gain valuable perspectives on one another's points-of-view, especially after meeting the family of heroic Poles. In Yiddish and Polish with English subtitles.

Subject(s) Judaism, Survivors

Hitler: Anatomy of a Dictatorship

22 min/B&W

MS+

This video contains newsreel and archival footage of Hitler's career from his emergence on the political scene in 1923 through the conclusion of World War II.

Subject(s): Hitler, Nazism

Hitler: The Whole Story

3 volumes- 50 min each/B&W

Advanced HS+

This documentary traces the career of Adolf Hitler to its end.

Subject(s): Final Solution, Hitler, Nazism

Holocaust: A Teenager's Experience

30 min/Guide with blackline masters/Color & B/W

HS+ Warning: some graphic footage

Holocaust survivor, David Bergman was only 12 years old when Nazis took his family to Auschwitz. Archival footage and drawings tell his "road from hell to freedom."

Subject(s): Children, Survivors

Holocaust Curriculum: Life Unworthy of Life

60 min/Color & B/W

HS+

Compiled from film footage taken by the Germans in the Warsaw Ghetto between 1940 and 1943, Jews are shown attempting to maintain their religious practices, educate their young, and survive. Survivors tell of their experiences.

Subject(s): Resistance, Survivors, Warsaw Ghetto

Holocaust Hero: A Tree for Sugihara

32 min

Adults

A compelling story of a hero of the Holocaust, Japanese "Schindler," who stood up not only to Axis oppression, but also to a long tradition of obedience. This is the story of Sempo Sugihara who issued thousands of visas to Jews allowing them to escape.

Subject(s): Rescue

Holocaust: In Memory of Millions

60 min/Color

HS+ Warning: some graphic footage

Walter Cronkite hosts this video on the overall history of the Holocaust and introduction to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. Archival footage and intimate survivor testimony are included.

Subject(s): Resistance, Survivors, USHMM

Holocaust on Trial

60 min

Adults Warning: some graphic footage

With the help of dramatic re-creations and devastating and rare film footage, this film reconstructs the charged courtroom proceedings as British historian and author David Irving defends his claim that the Holocaust was a myth.
Note: Disturbing footage.

Subject(s): Denial

Holocaust Project: From Darkness into Light

29 min

Adult

The Holocaust project is a traveling exhibition that casts the Holocaust as a reference point for an exploration of contemporary questions that relate to the human condition.

Subject(s): Art

Holocaust Story: A Look in the Eyes of Resistance

32 min

MS+

This is the compelling stories of two Polish Jews, Moche Baran, who fought against the Nazis as a Partisan in Eastern Europe, and Malka, who as a young girl spiritually resisted the Nazi's attempts to destroy her.

Subject(s): Resistance, Survival

Holocaust: The Story of Man's Inhumanity to Man

7.5 Hours/Color

HS+

This film follows two families through 1935-1945 living in Nazi Germany. The Weiss family suffers the hardships of the time; the Dorf family enjoys benefits of S.S. association.

Subject(s): Final Solution, Nazi Germany

Holocaust: The Untold Story

50 min

HS+

This video exposes the shameful truth about wartime coverage of the Holocaust. Through extensive examination of newspaper articles and radio reports-many of which are presented here-we'll see how the press detailed every aspect of Hitler's conquest of Europe while burying stories about the fate of Europe's Jews in back pages.

Subject(s): Genocide, Hitler, Media

Image Before My Eyes

90 min/Color & B/W

MS+

This is a re-creation of Jewish life in Poland from late 19th century through the 1930's, a unique and now vanished era. The video contains rare films, photographs, memorabilia, music, and interviews with survivors of the lost culture.

Subject(s): Pre-war

In Dark Places: Remembering the Holocaust

59 min/Color/Suggested Activities

MS+

Survivors of ghettos and concentration camps and their children try to come to terms with their experience. This is not an attempt to reconstruct the actual history but concerned with how the Holocaust has become part of our cultural baggage.

Subject(s): Second Generation, Survivors

In Our Own Hands: The Hidden Story of the Jewish Brigade in World War II

85 min

MS+

The story of young Jewish soldiers who carried the weight of a people on their shoulders from the trenches of Northern Italy to the refugee camps of war-torn Europe is told in this video.

Subject(s): Resistance

Interrogation In Budapest

60 min/B&W

MS+

A dramatization of the story of Hannah Szenes, who in 1944 at age twenty-three parachuted into Nazi-occupied Europe to rescue Jewish children and was captured, interrogated, and executed.

Subject(s): Children, Hungary, Rescue, Szenes

Into the Arms of Strangers: Stories of the Kindertransport

119 min/B&W and color

HS+

This documentary narrated by Judi Dench looks at the Kindertransport, which ferried children to Great Britain, and what became of the children once they arrived in England.

Subject(s): Children, Kindertransport

Israel: A Nation is Born

HS+

5 videos – 138 min

This five part video series present by former Israeli Foreign Minister, Abba Eban, chronicles his recollections of, and his part in, the creation of the State of Israel.

Subject(s): Israel, Survivors

Jehovah's Witnesses Stand Firm Against Nazi Assault

78 min/Color & B/W

Adult

A documentary film featuring ten historians from Europe and North America and over twenty Jehovah's Witness survivors tell the story of the persecution of the Witnesses by the Nazi regime.

Subject(s): Jehovah's Witnesses, Other Victims

The Jewish Tradition: Religion in Human Culture

HS+

This video covers the historical development of Jewish religious belief and practices. Religious persecution, the Holocaust and the feelings of survivors today are discussed. Includes a list of discussion questions and follow-up activities.

Subject(s) Jewish History, Jewish Religion, Jewish Traditions

Jews of Poland: Five Cities: Bialystok, Lvov, Krakow, Vilna, and Warsaw

50 min/B&W

MS+

Between 1938 and 1939 filmmakers Yitzhak and Shaul Goskind visited six Jewish communities in Poland to record the vitality of Jewish life. The Lodz film has been lost and fortunately the remaining five films are available to the public.

Subject(s): Pre-War, Poland

Journey of Butterfly

62 min/Color & B/W

5th Grade +

Based on the testimony of nine survivors, this program presents the personal histories of children imprisoned at Terezin, Czechoslovakia, showing their creativity in music, art, and poetry that blossomed under the harshest conditions.

Subject(s): Art, Survivors

Judaism: The Religion of a People

HS+

24 min/Guide

Filmed on location in Israel, Egypt, and the United States, this film relates the history, development, and practice of Judaism from its ancient origins to its present day forms. Students are introduced to the Torah, early Judaism, the Holocaust, the State of Israel, and Judaic practices around the world today-including the changing role of women within the Jewish community.

Subject(s): Judaism

Judgment at Nuremberg

186 min/B&W

HS+

This is a dramatization of the proceedings of the second Nuremberg trials, raising timeless issues of morality, legality, and responsibility.

Subject(s): Nazi War Crimes

Kaddish

92 min

Adult

This film by Steve Brand is a stunning profile about the ways a child copes with an overpowering parental legacy.

Subject(s): Second Generation

Karoussel

Adult

Named for a cabaret at Thereisienstadt that Kurt Geron had created, this video shows life and fate intermeshed with the decadence of Weimar Germany, along with antisemitism of pre-war Europe leading up to the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Germany, Pre-War

Kitty: A Return to Auschwitz

82 min/Color HS+

Kitty Hart, a survivor who lived in the camp between the ages of sixteen and eighteen, returns to tell others and to try to understand what happened there.

Subject(s): Auschwitz, Survivors

Kovno Ghetto

100 min/Color HS+

This is a History Channel presentation of eighteen survivors of the ghetto in Kovno, Lithuania. It traces the story of the Jewish community experience prior to WWII when 35,000 Jews lived in Kovno to the annihilation of the ghetto days before the city's liberation.

Subject(s): Genocide, Ghetto Life

Land of the Demons

45 min/Color MS+

Fielding reports from correspondents in the smoky streets of Sarajevo and at Serbian artillery positions in the hills around the city, Peter Jennings provides an introduction to the long standing hatreds that haunt the region formerly known as Yugoslavia and analyzes European and American hesitancy to become militarily involved.

Subject(s): Genocide, Prejudice, Sarajevo, Serbia, Yugoslavia

The Last Chapter

85 min/B&W HS+

Containing actual records of Polish events on film, this video depicts five hundred years of Jewish life in Poland.

Subject(s): Jewish Life, Poland

The Last Days

87 min HS+

The winner of the 1998 Academy Award for Best Documentary, this powerful film traces the compelling experiences of five Hungarian Holocaust survivors who fell victim to Hitler's brutal war against the Jews during the final days of World War II.

Subject(s): Survivors

The Last Seven Months of Anne Frank

75 min/Color & B/W MS+

This television documentary shows what happened to Anne Frank after her arrest. It begins where Anne Frank's diary left off. Willy Lindwer found and interviewed eight women who were with Anne Frank and her family during the final months of her life at the Westerbork, Auschwitz-Birkenau, and Bergen-Belsen concentration camps.

Subjects(s): Anne Frank, Concentration Camps, Survivors

Le Chambon

118 min HS+

Under the courageous leadership of a Christian pastor, the villagers of Le Chambon risked their lives to provide safety and refuge for 5,000 Jewish children.

Subject(s): Resistance

Leo Beuerman

13 min MS+

This multi-award winning documentary is a story of a severely handicapped man who refused to succumb to self-pity or fear.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Lessons of the Holocaust

60 min/Guide/ Resource Kit MS+

The Understanding of the Holocaust film has been specially made by Rex Bloomstein and Robert Wistrich. The film is provided in two versions: the first has convenient breaks within it to allow flexible classroom use, the second is an uninterrupted.

Subject(s):

Let Memory Speak

27 min / Guide

HS

Child survivor and educator Batia Bettman's sensitive documentary focuses on the most tragic victims of the Holocaust, the children, whose only "crime" was to have been born Jewish.

Subject(s): Children

Liberation

100 min/B&W

HS

Using film footage, period music, and radio broadcasts, this video starts in 1942 with Hitler at the height of his power. Addresses two themes: two front war-Allied campaigns to liberate Europe and Hitler's genocidal war against the Jews. Climax shows the dramatic liberation of Paris, the Benelux countries and the death camps through V-E day.

Subject(s): Liberation, World War II

Liberation 1945: Testimony

73 min/Color& B/W

HS

This is a documentary from expanded eyewitness testimony from USHMM special exhibition *Liberation 1945*. Jewish survivors and Allied liberators recall feelings at liberation, conditions in the camps, including difficulties faced by medical relief teams within the camps. Survivors describe displaced persons camps and trying to rebuild their lives.

Subject(s): Displaced Persons Camp, Liberation, Survivors

Liberation of Auschwitz

55 min

HS

Warning: some graphic footage

The liberation of Auschwitz is filmed by Soviets, who linger on the faces of the inmates. Commentary describes the selection process, medical experiments, and daily life at Auschwitz. Soviet cameraman, Alexander Vorontsov, shares his impressions of the liberation.

Subject(s): Auschwitz, Concentration Camps

Liberation of Majdanek

60 min

Adult

Warning: some graphic footage

This rare and stark documentary portrays the tragedy of the two million innocent victims exterminated, and the frightful efficiency of the Nazi death factory. This documentary contains some explicit scenes that are of a violent and disturbing nature.

Subject(s): Concentration Camps

Liberator Interviews

45 min

Adult

Liberator testimony - primary source.

Subject(s) Liberators

Lodz Ghetto

118 min

Adult

With stunning intimacy and openness, Lodz Ghetto brings us the voices of ordinary people trapped in an unbelievable time. They confide precisely what they felt during the darkest days of Nazi persecution.

Subject(s): Survivors

Long Way Home

119 min/Color & B/W

MS+

The documentary recalls the struggles of Jewish displaced persons until the formation of the state of Israel. Rare archival footage and photographs, memoirs, letters, diaries, and oral histories combined with recent interviews.

Subject(s): Displaced Persons, Survivors

Longest Hatred: The History of Antisemitism

150 min/Color & B/W

Advanced HS

Part I: examines ancient roots of anti-Jewish prejudice through antisemitism apotheosis during the Third Reich and the modern resurgence of antisemitism in modern Austria, Poland, and Russia. Part II: looks at hatred of Jews by Semitic Arabs claiming to be due Jewish actions, not heritage.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Look in the Eyes of Resistance: The Stories of Malke and Mosha Baran

31 min MS+

A sophomore high school student in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania produced this video. It tells the story of two Holocaust survivors.

Subject(s): Resistance, Survivors

Lost Childhood: The Story of the Birkenau Boys

48 min/Closed Caption/Guide and supplemental materials MS+

In April 1942, the Gestapo shut down the last Jewish school in Berlin. In April of 1996, fifty of its former students travel for a surprise reunion to the recently reopened school. The film chronicles Jewish life in Berlin during the 1930's and 1940's and how many survived *Kristallnacht* and the implementation of Hitler's "Final Solution."

Subject(s): Genocide, Germany, Survivors

Lost Children of Berlin

50 min/Color MS+

The social and political events of the 1930s and 1940s dealing the Jewish life of pre-war Berlin are woven together in a documentary that tells about the reunion of those students of the Grosse Hamburgerstrasse School in Berlin who had survived the Nazi Holocaust.

Subject(s): Genocide, Germany, Survivors

Lost Wooden Synagogues of Eastern Europe

48 min MS+

This film tells the story of the wooden synagogues of Eastern Europe thought to be lost. It tells about the life that surrounded them before the war and what happened to them the last fifty years.

Subject(s): Pre-War

Lunch Date

11 min Adult

This Oscar-winning film is about a white suburban matron who, through a series of events, comes face to face with her own prejudices and stereotypes about black males as she navigates through a big-city railroad station.

Subject(s): Prejudice

The Magician

HS+

This symbolic film shows how the Nazis turned innocent children into hating adults.

Subject(s): Nazism

Maine Survivors Remember the Holocaust

43 min/Color & B/W MS+

This video offers a clear compelling introduction to the Holocaust for general audiences. Interviews with eight Maine survivors and an American liberator, are interwoven with dramatic archival films, photographs, maps and music, propel the viewer through this tragic history. The personal stories of eyewitnesses demonstrate convincingly how the Holocaust affected individual Jews.

Subject(s): Survivors, Liberation

March of the Living 1996: Jewish Youth Confront the Holocaust MS+

82 min

The March of the Living is an international, educational, two-week journey through history, which brings together Jewish youth from communities worldwide to Auschwitz-Birkenau to commemorate the death marches of the six million who were savagely murdered in the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Auschwitz, Death Marches

Marion's Triumph: Surviving History Nightmare

MS+

49 min

This video is the companion to Four Perfect Pebbles. It is Marion Blumenthal's life-affirming, inspirational narrative of survival, reconciliation and the limits of endurance, and it renews one's faith in humanity.

Subject(s): Survival

Memories of Kristallnacht: More Than Broken Glass

2 copies - 37 min (abridged)/57 min

HS

Using archival footage, photographs, and interviews with survivors, Jewish life in Germany prior to and during the Holocaust is described. This is excellent for examining the persecution of German Jews.

Subject(s): Genocide, Germany

Memory of the Camps

58 min/B&W

Adult Warning: some graphic footage

PBS Frontline shows Allied film crews record of scenes of the gas chambers, medical experimentation labs, crematoria, and the survivors of the Dachau, Auschwitz, and Buchenwald, as well other camps. Some of the footage was filmed literally moments after the troops liberated the camps.

Subject(s): Concentration Camps, Liberation

Mighty Times: The Legacy of Rosa Parks

40 min/Viewer Guide

MS+

In 1955, Montgomery, Alabama resident Rosa Parks did the unthinkable: she refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white passenger. This kit includes a documentary film and a viewer's guide that provides students classroom activities and historical documents on the Montgomery Bus Boycott which was the outcome of Rosa's civil disobedience.

Subject(s): Civil Rights

Mr. Death

92 min

Adult Warning: Teachers should preview before showing to students

1988 Leuchter was hired by German Holocaust denier Ernst Zundel to find "scientific" proof that there were no gas chambers at Auschwitz. Leuchter returned with what he believed to be "evidence" that indeed no one could have been gassed at Auschwitz.

Subject(s): Denial

My Brother's Keeper

25 min

5th Grade +

Israel Birnbaum, an artist, tells the story of the Holocaust and the Warsaw Ghetto, in a series of dramatic paintings. His purpose is not to shock but to make sure that the Holocaust never happens again. He wants each one of us to ask ourselves, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Subject(s): Ghetto Life, Prejudice

My Knees Were Jumping

75 min

MS+

This film presents the story behind the rescue of nearly 10,000 children by the Kindertransport movement just prior to World War II. In the nine months before the war started, these children were sent, without their parents, to Great Britain from Nazi Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland. Director Melissa Hacker used her own personal knowledge of this amazing and courageous story, as her Viennese-born mother was among those children sent to England in January 1939.

Subject(s): Children, Kindertransport, Rescue

Mystery of Josef Mengele

50 min/Color

HS +

This program shows how Josef Mengele, the infamous Auschwitz doctor, successfully eluded justice with the help of his family, an underground Nazi network, and the complicity of sympathetic governments.

Subject(s): Mengele, Nazi War Crimes, Auschwitz

Nazi Gold

60 min

HS+

For years, Holocaust victims and their families have tried to collect assets deposited in Swiss banks before the war--all to no avail. A PBS Frontline investigative report examines the role Switzerland played during World War II as well as its response fifty years later.

Subject(s): Nazi War Crimes, Switzerland

Nazi's Secret Killing Squads

50 min HS+
A former Nazi war crimes prosecutor sheds light on the little-known units that started work on the "Final Solution" before the death camps opened.
Subject(s): Einsatzgruppen, Genocide

Nazis: A Warning from History

6 videos - 300 min HS+
This epic series, three years in the making, is the definitive history of Nazi Germany on video, exposing countless myths about the Third Reich.
Subject(s): Nazism

New York Times: Live from the Past

3 videos- 17 min each/Kit with guide MS+
Rich in archival film and print materials from the *New York Times*, these kits recount key historical issues, provide insightful commentary, and encourage students to analyze news reports.
Subject(s): Nazism

Night and Fog

32 min/Color & B/W /Silent w/subtitles/Guide HS+
This brilliant and haunting documentary on the concentration camps effectively combines actual black and white footage of the concentration camps with color scenes of the same places ten years after the Holocaust. It includes explicit scenes of Nazi atrocities and carnage. It is in French with English subtitles.
Subject(s): Concentration Camps, Nazism

Not in Our Town: Heroes

27 min/Color/Guide MS+
In 1933, when vandalism and violence by white supremacists threatened local Jews, Native Americans, and blacks, the residents of Billings, Montana, refused to stand by idly. This is an excellent portrayal of how to fight prejudices at the local level.
Subject(s): Prejudice

Not in Our Town II: Citizens Respond to Hate

56 min/Color/Guide MS+
Continuing a story begun in Billings, this program shows how "divisions that tear at the nation's soul" can be mended in activist communities. When a Klan threatens violence in Kokomo, residents counter with a diversity celebration. People appalled at hatred of minorities and gays unite in Fayetteville and other cities to support crime victims and express disgust with perpetrators.
Subjects(s): Prejudice

Now....After All These Years

60 min/Color HS+
Until 1923, Rhina was a German village, predominantly Jewish. After the Nazis came to power, the entire Jewish population vanished, mostly into concentration camps. Now, after all these years, the Rhina inhabitants speak warmly of the old Jewish community. However the few remaining Rhina Jews who are living in New York present a sharply different picture. German with English sub-titles.
Subject(s): German Post-War Attitudes, Pre-War, Survivors

Number the Stars

15 min 4th Grade +
Lois Lowry's book centers on a Christian family who saves a Danish Jewish family from the Nazis in 1943. This video serves as an introduction to the book.
Subject(s): Rescue

Nuremberg

186 min HS+
Alec Baldwin stars in the dramatized account of the war crime trials following the defeat of Nazi Germany in World War II.

Subject(s): Nazi War Crimes, Nuremberg Trials

Nuremberg War Crimes Trial

138 min

Adult

World War II did not end on the battlefield, but in a courtroom in Germany. The Nuremberg Trials revealed the full scope of Nazi Germany's atrocities and ended in the execution of many of the top Nazi leaders.

Subject(s): Nazi War Crimes, Nuremberg Trials

Nuremberg: Tyranny on Trial

50 min/Color & B/W

HS +

Archival film footage, personal reminiscences, and expert commentary are used to detail the events, courtroom strategies, and legal innovations of the judicial proceedings against the top Nazi war criminals.

Subject(s): Nazi War Crimes, Nuremberg Trials

Obedience

45 min/B&W

HS

This documentary shows the experiment conducted at Yale University testing the willingness of people to follow orders which required inflicting pain on another. This film may be used to provoke discussion on morality and responsibility. It has been used effectively with films on the Nuremberg Trials or the trial of Adolf Eichmann, where the standard defense was that the criminals had only been following orders.

Subject(s): Nazism

One Against the Wind

96 min

MS+

Mary Lindell, well-to-do Britisher living with her teenage children in Paris during WW II, smuggles Allied soldiers out from under the noses of the Nazis. Stars Judy Davis.

Subject(s): Rescue, Resistance, Righteous Gentiles

One Out of Ten

42 min

Adult

German and local Nazis in Europe murdered one and a half million Jewish children between 1939 and 1945. Children were the first targets of the Nazis. Only one out of ten survived.

Subject(s): Survivors, Children

One Survivor Remembers

39 min/Color

MS+

Gerda Weissmann Klein relates her journey of survival through one of the most devastating events in the history of mankind. Interviews, photographs and footage shot in the actual location of her memories are included.

Subject(s): Survivor

Opening the Gates of Hell: American Liberators of the Nazi Concentration Camps

45 min/Color

Adult

An army doctor, a psychiatrist, an army chaplain, a War Department cameraman, and several U.S. Army combat veterans share their observations and memories of the time when they liberated the concentration camps at the end of World War II. Extended interviews, rare photographs, and graphic archival footage are included.

Subject(s): Liberation

Oskar Schindler: The Man Behind the List

50 min

HS+

The video chronicles the double life of this contradictory man. In extraordinary interviews, some of the people he saved recall their escape and offer a first person view of Schindler.

Subject(s): Rescue, Righteous Gentiles, Schindler

The Other Side of Faith

27 min/Color

6th Grade +

This film portrays in the words and feelings of its two principals a compelling story of heroism set against a time of inhuman brutality. This very simple, very moving documentary alternates between a Polish Gentile who saved thirteen Jews and one of the men she saved.

Subject(s): Rescue, Righteous Gentiles

Out of Hitler's Reach: The Scattergood Hostel for European Refugees, 1939-1943

13 min Adult

From 1939-1943, one hundred eighty-five refugees from Nazi-occupied Europe found a safe haven at Scattergood, a temporary hostel in what had been an abandoned Quaker boarding school on the Iowa prairie.

Subject(s): Rescue

Outcast

40 min MS+

The video documents how Jews were persecuted in Nazi Germany from 1933-1938 and the Nazis' principal actions against Jews.

Subject(s): Genocide, Germany, Persecution

Paragraph 175

81 min HS+

Documenting the repression of gays and lesbians under Hitler, this powerful film combines archival footage and still photos with starkly compelling interviews of the few who survived Nazi persecution.

Subject(s): Other Victims, Persecution

Partisans of Vilna

130 min - DVD HS+

This documentary, supplemented by interviews and archival footage, chronicles underground resistance in the *Vilna* ghetto against the Nazis during World War II.

Subject(s): Lithuania, Resistance

People Next Door: A Story of Holocaust Survival

38 min/ CD-ROM and Guide MS+

Oral histories of 23 South Bend area residents who lived in Europe during the Nazi period--survivors, liberators, witnesses & rescuers.

Subject(s): Survivors

Persecuted and Forgotten

54 min HS+

The video follows a group of German Gypsies as they return to Auschwitz after WWII. In personal accounts, Gypsies recall the imprisonment and murder of Gypsies during the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Gypsies, Other Victims

The Photographer

75 min Adult

This documentary (with English subtitles) re-creates the horrors of Lodz through cinematic techniques that intertwine stark black-and-white video clips of the modern Polish city with vintage photographs.

Subject(s): Genocide, Poland

The Pianist

150 min Adult

Based on the author's experiences during World War II. This film recounts the composer Szpilman Wladyslaw's escape from certain death with the help of a German officer.

Subject(s): Survivors

Place at the Table: Struggle for Equality in America Kit

40 min/Text and Guide HS

The battle against intolerance and discrimination has been an on-going theme of American history. *A Place at the Table* is a comprehensive video-and-text kit that explores these struggles.

Subject(s): Prejudice

The Port of Last Resort: Zuflucht in Shanghai

79 min - DVD HS

This DVD presents the little-known story *of* nearly 20,000 European Jewish refugees who fled to Shanghai in the years 1938-1941, through four survivors.

Subject(s): China, Refugees

Prejudice and Hate: Georgians and the Holocaust

25 min MS+

This documentary contains testimony about the Holocaust as given by Holocaust survivors living in the United States.

Subject(s): Survivors, Prejudice

Prejudice: Answering Children's Questions

75 min 4th Grade +

Featuring a team of experts who conduct several experiments designed to help children better understand prejudice, the special presentation scrutinizes some of the influences that shape children's ideas about the world as well as examines stereotypes.

Subject(s): Children, Prejudice

Preserving the Past to Ensure the Future

15 min/Color & B/W MS+

This video deals with the one and a half million children killed in the Holocaust, whose only "crime" was to have been born Jewish. Visitors, young, old, Jew, Gentile, white and black express their profound shock at the incomprehensible realities with which they are confronted on their visit to Yad Vashem. Current news footage of racist violence around the world is juxtaposed with poetry and artwork of children who perished in camps.

Subject(s): Children

Psychology of Neo-Nazism: Another Journey by Train to Auschwitz

52 min Adult

In this shocking documentary, four young neo-Nazis travel across Europe, talking about themselves, their love of Hitler, and their disbelief in the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Denial, Neo-Nazism

Purple Triangles

25 min/Color MS+

The video details the persecution of Jehovah's Witnesses by the Nazi regime.

Subject(s): Jehovah's Witnesses, Other Victims

The Quarrel

90 min/Color Adult

Two former Holocaust survivors, who lost their entire families, accidentally meet in a Montreal park in 1948, renew their friendship, and challenge each other's most deeply held beliefs. It portrays two committed men—a Hasidic rabbi and a skeptical journalist—who both justify the course of their postwar lives as authentic responses to the death camps.

Subject(s): Fiction, Survivors, Religious Conflict

The Remnant

30 min Adult

This film deals with the miracle and mystery of the continuation of European Jewry - its rise, decline, almost total destruction, and rebirth.

Subject(s): Judaism

Rescue in Scandinavia

55 min/Guide/Color & B/W HS

Liv Ullmann narrates this video focusing on the courageous acts Christian rescuers performed in order to guide thousands of Jews to safety in Sweden. It recounts the role of the Swedish government and its citizens in providing sanctuary for Jewish Refugees. It details the assignment of Raoul Wallenberg with the assistance of Par Anger, who was credited with saving the lives of 100,000 Hungarian Jews. This video also tells about Finland's Ambassador Max Jakobson and his role in the rescue program, and pays tribute to the citizens of Denmark and Norway who saved the lives of their Jewish countrymen.

Subject(s): Rescuers, Righteous Gentiles

Rescuers: Stories of Courage - Two Couples

109 min/Color

Adult

A recounting of the stories of two couples who provided hiding places and safe passage to Jewish refugees. One is a newlywed couple who hide refugees in their country home. The second couple, the Taquets, keep Jewish children hidden at their private school.

Subject(s): Rescuers

Rescuers: Stories of Courage - Two Women

107 min/Color

Adult

This video tells the story of two women who helped save Jewish refugees. This video tells the stories of Gertruda Babilinska, and Marie-Rose Gineste. Babilinska hid a friend's son and Jewish prisoners to the end of war. Gineste provided refugees with false documents.

Subject(s): Rescuers

The Restless Conscience

113 min/Color & B/W

HS+

This powerful and provocative feature documentary explores the motivating principles and activities of the anti-Nazi resistance inside Germany from 1933 to 1945. This film is a deeply moving portrayal of individual destinies, charting with dramatic power, passion and depth, the development of the underground resistance. It highlights the tension between an individual's responsibility to a personal ethical code and to a tyrannical political system.

Subject(s): Resistance

Return to Life

60 min/Guide/Color & B/W

HS+

Survivors' testimonies about liberation day, life in the DP camps, and immigration to and acculturation in Israel are depicted in this video.

Subject(s): Displaced Persons, Survivors

The Righteous Enemy

84 min/Color & B/W

MS+

This documentary reveals one of the most remarkable yet little known rescue operations of the Holocaust: the active protection given by Italian military and government officials to 40,000 Jews in Italian-occupied France, Greece and Yugoslavia.

Subject(s): Rescue, Jews under Italian Occupation

Ripples in Time

60 min

MS+

Part 1 (30 min) includes interviews with survivors of the Holocaust presently living in North Carolina. Part 2 (30 min) includes interviews with liberators of the death camps, an American Jewish Woman's recollection of sending money to relatives in Poland, and the fiftieth anniversary of Kristallnacht in Charlotte.

Subject(s): Nazism

Road to Wannsee: Eleven Million Sentenced to Death

50 min/Color

MS+

On January 20, 1942, eleven million Jews were sentenced to death at Wannsee. In this compelling work we learn of Hitler's political rise to power in 1933, the neutralizing of his opponents, his political aims, and his obsession with the elimination of the Jews. Dutch with English sub-titles.

Subject(s): Final Solution, Hitler, Wannsee Conference

Safe Haven: A Story of Hope

38 min

HS

This is the true story of the 982 refugees who came to America from Europe during World War II. The refugees were housed at the Fort Ontario Refugees Shelter in Oswego, New York, from August 1944 to February 1946.

Subject(s): Rescue

Samuel Bak: The Art of Speaking About the Unspeakable

37 min

Adult

This film explores the life experiences that have shaped child prodigy in the Vilna Ghetto, Samuel Bak, through a candid and insightful conversation with the artist, selected recollections from his recently published memoirs, and a moving presentation of many of his most important works.

Subject(s): Art, Survival

Schindler: His Story as Told by the Actual People He Saved

82 min/Color & B/W

Adult

This documentary is about the work of Oskar Schindler and his role in saving the lives of over 1,000 Jews in Krakow during the Nazi occupation. The film features key people who were either saved by Schindler or who had close contact with main protagonists in the Schindler story.

Subject(s): Poland, Rescue, Righteous Gentiles, Schindler

Schindler's List

197 min/B&W/Guide

HS+

This Steven Spielberg film presents the true story of the enigmatic Oskar Schindler, a member of the Nazi party and war profiteer who saved the lives of more than 1,100 Jews during the Holocaust. (Liam Neeson, Ben Kingsley, and Ralph Fiennes star.).

Subject(s): Rescuers, Righteous Gentiles

Sea Tales: The Doomed Voyage of the St. Louis

50 min

MS+

Featuring moving interviews with survivors, period news accounts and commentary from leading scholars, this is a compelling chronicle of a senseless tragedy.

Subject(s): United States, Voyage of the Saint Louis

Secret Lives: Hidden Children and Their Rescuers during WWII

72 min

HS+

Secret Lives tells the emotional stories of a small number of children who were saved by non-Jews in extraordinary acts of bravery and kindness.

Subject(s): Children, Righteous Gentiles, Survival

Shadow of Hate: A History of Intolerance in America

40 min/Text/Guide

MS+

This video contains historical footage and personal stories. The text is 128 pages of stories, documents, and photographs. The Teacher's Guide contains adaptable day-by-day lesson plans.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Shanghai Ghetto

95 min - DVD

HS+

This is the incredible story of thousands of Jews and their dramatic escape from the Nazis to China during World War II.

Subject(s): China, Ghettos

Shoah

5 videos - 9.5 hrs/Color & B/W

HS+

This film is an assemblage of witnesses: Holocaust survivors, Nazi functionaries, Polish villagers who resided near the death camps, whose testimony amounts to one of the most shattering human documents ever recorded.

Subject(s): Genocide, Nazi War Crimes

Shtetl

90 min/Color/2 Parts, 2 Cassettes w/Guide

MS+

This is an in-depth documentary analysis of the attitudes of Poles toward Jews in general, and the Jews who had made up about sixty percent of their village not far from Warsaw in pre-Holocaust Poland. The producer, Marian Marzynski, himself a Holocaust survivor, returns to his former village and interviews contemporary villagers and probes their attitudes. He focuses especially on a young post-Holocaust educated villager who had made a study of the village's Jewish past, his special avocation.

Subject(s): Antisemitism, Pre-War, Poland,

Sighet, Sighet

74 min/B&W

MS+

Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel revisits Sighet, the town of his childhood in Transylvania, from where he was deported by the Nazis to Auschwitz with his family and the Jews of the ghetto in 1944. Wiesel movingly and poetically narrates the search of his past in a town that was a center of Jewish life but is no more.

Subject(s): Wiesel

Song of the Living with Dudu Fisher

100 min/Color

Adults

This video chronicles David (Dudu) Fishers journey through the missing world of European Jews. It's soundtrack consists of songs of the period of the Holocaust.

Subject(s) Second Generation

Sosua

30 min/Color

MS+

In 1938, thirty-two nations met at the Evian Conference to find new homes for endangered European Jews. Only one, the Dominican Republic, ruled by Dictator Raphael Trujillo, offered sanctuary. In 1940, a group of Jews escaping Nazi terror found a haven on this Caribbean island. This courageous community's story of flight and relief is told within the context of the joys and conflicts of contemporary life.

Subject(s): Dominican Republic, Rescue

Starting Small: Teaching Tolerance in Preschool and the Early Grades

58 min

Children

This teacher training kit for early childhood educators includes a 58-minute video and five copies of a 250-page text focusing on seven exemplary tolerance education programs.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Stolen Childhood

30 min

MS+

Three Holocaust survivors relate the changes they experienced in their lives as children during the Nazi occupation.

The testimonies are combined with documentary film excerpts and photos from the time of the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Concentration Camps, Survivors

Tak for Alt (Thanks for All): Survival of a Human Spirit

60 min

MS+

The documentary tells the remarkable story of educator Judy Meisel, a Holocaust survivor, whose experiences during and after World War II inspired a lifelong campaign against bigotry.

Subject(s): Survivors

10th Anniversary Tribute to Holocaust Survivors: Reunion of a Special Family, November 1-2, 2003

41 min

MS+

This documentary records the celebration at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D. C. More than seven thousand people from around the country, including over 2,200 survivors, attended. Includes events featuring noted leaders such as Elie Wiesel, interviews, and survivor reunions.

Subject(s) Survivors

Testimony of the Human Spirit: Six Survivors of the Holocaust Tell Their Stories

4 videos - 117 min

This four-part documentary film examines the Holocaust through the eyes of six men and women who were children or teenagers during the Third Reich.

Subject(s): Children, Survivors

There Once was a Town

90 min

Adult

In 1941, the Germany army invaded the small town of Eishyshok, Poland (now Lithuania), and brutally murdered nearly all 3,500 Jewish residents. Fifty-six years after the massacre, this film chronicles the remarkable journey of four of the town's survivors.

Subject(s): Poland, Survivors

Theresienstadt: Gateway to Auschwitz, Recollections from Childhood

60 min/Color & B/W

MS+

Survivors, who were children in Theresienstadt during the war, tell their stories. The tape is interspersed with original work and photographs. Fifteen thousand children under fifteen years of age were incarcerated in Theresienstadt and only 100 survived.

Subject(s): Children, Holocaust Art, Theresienstadt/Terezin

These I Do Remember and My Soul Weeps

35 min

Adult

This address was given at the West Bloomfield, Michigan, Holocaust Memorial Center's annual dinner on October 29, 1995. In it, Benjamin Netanyahu gave his perspective on the history of the Jewish people and the important role of Israel before and after the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Israel, Judaism

They Risked Their Lives: Rescuers of the Holocaust

24 min/Color & B/W

MS+

Righteous Gentiles, who have been honored at Yad Vashem for saving Jewish lives during the Holocaust, tell their stories.

Subject(s): Rescue, Righteous Gentiles

Through Our Eyes: Children Witness the Holocaust

25min/B&W

MS+

Through poems, diaries and other writings, children give a first hand account of the Holocaust. Some of these children survived, others did not.

Subject(s): Children

Time to Remember

20 min

MS+

An historical overview of the Holocaust from the rise of the Nazis to the final solution of the death camps is presented in this video.

Subject(s): Genocide, Holocaust Overview, Persecution

To Bear Witness

42 min/Color

Adult

Filmed at the 1985 Liberators' Conference in Washington D.C., a series of interviews with the survivors and liberators of the concentration camps is presented.

Subject(s): Survivors, Liberation

To Help Someone

50 min

Adult

The Altruistic Personality and Prosocial Behavior Institute was founded in 1982 by Dr. Samuel P. Oliner and Dr. Pearl Oliner, who recognized the need for more research into the areas of altruism and prosocial behavior. The work of the Institute has been featured in this film.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Trial of Adolf Eichmann

90 min/B&W

MS+

This film is part of the "Witness to the Holocaust" series. The extensive testimony and evidence reveals Eichmann's responsibility in the "final solution of the Jewish question." It includes numerous eyewitness accounts.

Subject(s): Eichmann, Nazi War Crime

Triumph of Evil

60 min

HS+

As the U.N.'s Genocide Convention created to make sure genocide would never happen again marks its fiftieth anniversary, PBS Frontline examines the role of the U.S. and the U.N. as they ignored the warnings and evidence of impending massacre in Rwanda.

Subject(s): Genocide, Prejudice, Rwanda

Triumph of Memory

29 min/Color & B/W

HS+

Non-Jewish resistance fighters were sent to Nazi concentration camps during World War II. As non-Jews they bear witness to the Holocaust and provide a moving reminder about the actions of the Nazis in Mauthausen, Buchenwald and Auschwitz-Birkenau.

Subject(s): Concentration Camps, Resistance, Righteous Gentiles,

Triumph of the Spirit

120 min

HS

This story is about a former Greek Olympic boxer who was 9en as a prisoner during World War II and placed in the Auschwitz prison camp. There he was permitted to survive as long as he fought for the amusement of his captors.

Subject(s): Auschwitz

Triumph of the Will: A Nazi Propaganda Film

110 min/B&W

MS+

Leni Riefenstahl's film is about the Sixth Nazi Party Congress at Nuremberg in 1934 is a masterpiece of Nazi propaganda. It provides a fascinating psychological study of the Nazi leaders in action. It is told visually with very little dialogue. Speeches by Hitler and others are in German with no subtitles.

Subject(s): Hitler, Nazism, Propaganda

Tsvi Nussbaum: A Boy from Warsaw

50 min/B&W

MS+

A haunting photograph, one of the most famous of the Nazi era, of a young Jewish boy with his hands raised as an SS officer aims his machine gun at him, provides the interpretive framework for exploring the boy's history. The boy's serpentine journey takes him from his birth in Palestine to the events that led to and followed the scene depicted in the picture. The boy survives and eventually immigrates to the New York area where he ends up becoming a physician. The film invites alternative interpretations of the photograph, its pedigree and meaning.

Subject(s): Children, Ghetto Life, Survivors

Unbiased Mind: Four Obstacles to Clear Thinking

23 min/Guide

HS+

Simple everyday habits can lead individuals to act in a biased or prejudiced manner. This video shows how we all adopt thinking habits that lead us to biased and prejudiced thinking. The tape analyzes four traps that influence our critical thinking: stereotypes, problems with cause and effect, seeing only what we expect to see, and the invisible self.

Subject(s): Prejudice

Uprising

177 min/Guide

HS+

The heroic true stories of Jewish resistance fighters who battled the Nazis in the Warsaw Ghetto during World War II are dramatized for the first time in this compelling, four-hour television miniseries.

Subject(s): Warsaw Ghetto

Vakvagany

86 min

Adult

This film is based on the filmmaker's discovery of a Hungarian family's home movies, which seem to suggest involvement with the Germans in WWII. The movies are intertwined with present day film of the surviving family members.

Subject(s) Perpetrators/Bystanders/Collaborators

Video Vignettes: A World of Difference

8 min/Guide

MS+

Illustrating the subtleties of prejudice, three low-key, open-ended vignettes provide a non-threatening starting point for generating honest, open class discussion.

Subject(s): Prejudice

View from the Underside: The Legacy of Dietrich Bonhoeffer

50 min

Adult

A play adapted and performed by Al Staggs brings the life of one of the great heroes of the twentieth century. The audience is brought into the prison cell where Bonhoeffer awaits execution and listens to his struggles with evil, injustice, and God.

Subject(s): Bonhoeffer, Resistance, Righteous Gentile

Visas That Saved Lives

115 min/Color

HS+

This is a dramatization of the true story of Chiune Sugihara, a Japanese diplomat who saved thousands of Lithuania Jews during World War II by granting them visas, though it cost him his own career. Japanese with English subtitles.

Subject(s): Japan, Rescue, Righteous Gentiles

Vladka Meed: The Warsaw Ghetto Fighters

102 min

HS

Born 1923, Warsaw, Poland, Vladka Meed belonged to the Zukunft youth movement of the Bund (the Jewish Socialist party). She was active in the Warsaw ghetto underground as a member of the Jewish Fighting Organization (Z.O.B.). In December 1942, she was smuggled out to the Aryan, Polish side of Warsaw to try to obtain weapons and to find hiding places for Jewish children and adults. She became a courier for the Jewish underground and for Jews in camps, forests, and in other ghettos. This video describes her reaction to the burning of the Warsaw ghetto as she watched from a building outside the ghetto.

Subject(s): Resistance

Voyage of the St. Louis

54 min

Adult

On May 13, 1939, the St. Louis sailed from Hamburg with over 900 Jewish refugees bound for Havana, Cuba. The Cuban government broke promise of entry, and the U.S. also denied entry. The ship was sent back to Europe. Video contains archival footage and interviews of survivors.

Subject(s): United States, Voyage of the St. Louis

A Walk Through the 20th Century with Bill Moyers: The Democrat and the Dictator

55 min

Adult

Journalist Bill Moyers compares and contrasts the careers of Franklin D. Roosevelt and Adolf Hitler, focusing on the youth, personality, leadership style, and political goals of each.

Subject(s): Hitler, Roosevelt

Wannsee Conference

85 min

Adult

This is a fascinating, chilling re-creation of the infamous meeting, held in a Berlin suburb in January 1942, in which Nazis discussed implementation of the Final Solution. The film's length matches the event's actual time of the meeting. Director by Heinz Schirk.

Subject(s): Genocide

Warsaw Ghetto Uprising

23 min/Color & B/W

HS

In commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, the Ghetto Fighters' House at Kibbutz Lohamei Hagetaot has produced this video. Archival film footage, authentic still photographs and actual testimonies of survivors help viewers understand that brief and courageous chapter in Jewish history. Beginning with the Nazi invasion of Poland, we are led step by step through the deportations, life in the ghetto, the formation of a resistance, organization and finally, the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.

Subject(s): Genocide, Poland, Resistance

The Wave

46 min/Color

HS

This film recreates a classroom experiment done by a high school teacher who formed his own "Reich" (called "The Wave") and set up strict rules and behavior codes in an effort to show how peer pressure, conformity, and loyalty could work in a classroom the same way they had in Nazi Germany.

Subject(s): Nazism, Persecution, Prejudice

We Must Never Forget: The Story of the Holocaust

35 min/Color/Guide

MS+

Through the use of historic documentary footage outlining the background of the rise of Nazism as well as of the horrific actions of the Nazi regime, and of testimony of Holocaust survivors, this video urges students to apply the lessons of the Holocaust to present day out-breaks of prejudice.

Subject(s): Nazism, Survivors, Prejudice

We Were There: Jewish Liberators of the Nazi Concentration Camps

35 min/Color & B/W

Not recommended for below college level

This story is about the special relationship that developed between Jewish-American GIs and the survivors of the Nazi Concentration Camps. This video documents the experiences of Jewish soldiers on the front line of battle and how they came face to face with the horror of the Holocaust.

Subject(s): Liberators, Survivors, Concentration Camps

Weapons of the Spirit

35 min/Color/Guide

MS+

This video tells the story of a small French village, which managed to save 5,000 Jews from the Holocaust. The inhabitants of Le Chambon, which is in central France, are descendants of Protestants who were heavily persecuted in previous centuries. They decided to resist evil with "the weapons of the spirit" and managed to double their populations of their community right under the Nazis' noses.

Subject(s): Rescue, resistance, Righteous Gentiles, France

What My Parents Told Me: An Intergenerational Panel

80 min

Adult

Three survivors from the Kansas City area, their children and grandchildren, provide a meaningful and moving intergenerational and personal perspective to surviving the Holocaust. Presented on the 62nd anniversary of Kristallnacht.

Subject(s): Second Generation, Survivors

Where Memories Loom: Journey to Sacel

52 min

Adult

This video weaves a moving quilt of generations, Jews and non-Jews, past and present. The sensitive filming of the interaction between the generations allows the viewer a rare and powerful look at the issues members of the Second Generation face.

Subject(s): Second Generation, Survivors

Who Walks Here Now? A Remembrance of the Holocaust and Beyond

23 min with teacher's guide

MS+

The video deals with both historical and personal feelings. It emphasizes the healing and understanding that today's youth are coming to finding in revisiting places such as Auschwitz Birkenau.

Subject(s): Concentration Camps

Witness to the Holocaust

7 segments, 10-15 min each/Guides/B&W

HS+

Warning: some graphic footage

This video describes the rise of the Nazis, ghetto life, deportations, the Resistance, the Final Solution, and the liberation of the camps. In the last segment, survivors reflect on the universal lessons that can be learned from the Holocaust. A comprehensive guide addresses each segment in depth.

Subject(s): Genocide, Persecution

Witnesses to the Holocaust: German Jews

29 min

HS

Compilation of clips from interviews of local survivors, witnesses, and rescuers.

Subject(s): German, Survivors

Witnesses to the Holocaust: The Ghettos

30 min

HS

Compilation of clips from interviews of local survivors, witnesses, and rescuers.

Subject(s): Ghetto Life, Survivors

Witnesses to the Holocaust: In Hiding

30 min HS
Compilation of clips from interviews of local survivors, witnesses, and rescuers.
Subject(s): Survivors

Witnesses to the Holocaust: Liberation

30 min HS
Compilation of clips from interviews of local survivors, witnesses, and rescuers.
Subject(s): Liberation, Survivors

Witnessing Darfur: Genocide Emergency

17 min - DVD Adult Warning: some graphic footage
This DVD contains two short films, *Darfur Eyewitness* and *Staring Genocide in the Face*. The first film recounts Marine Brian Steidle's experiences and observations while serving with the African Union Monitoring Force. The second film tells the stories of refugees in Darfur, as recounted to Jim Fowler, Director of the Committee on Conscience.
Subject(s): Genocide, Persecution, Darfur, Sudan

The World of Anne Frank

28 min/Color & B/W MS+
Combining dramatic readings, interviews, documentary photos and film footage, this video introduces audience to Anne Frank's life and times. In includes interviews with Anne's father, Otto Frank and those who risked their lives to hide the Frank family in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam.
Subject(s): Anne Frank, Righteous Gentiles

World at War - Genocide: The Definitive Story of World War II

52 min HS+
This film is one of the most widely shown introductions to the Holocaust. This is volume six of nine videos chronicling the events of World War II through the experiences of ordinary men and who lived and fought the most momentous conflict in world history.
Subject(s): Genocide, Persecution

Writing on the Wall

45 min/Color MS
Based on an actual event, this 1994 Emmy-winning drama tells of a rabbi (Hal Linden) who teaches three teenagers about tolerance. After the boys spray-paint a synagogue and rabbi's house with antisemitic graffiti, a judge--over the objections of outraged citizens who want these vandals jailed--orders the trio to learn what it's like to be persecuted and how the Holocaust nearly destroyed Europe's Jews.
Subject(s): Prejudice

Years Wherein We Have Seen Evil. Volume 1: Orthodox Jewry in Germany Under the Nazi Rule

45 min Adult
This video is a companion to the first print volume, focuses on the experiences of Orthodox Jews in 1930's Germany.
Subject(s) Antisemitism, Interwar Germany

Yellow Star: The Persecution of the Jews in Europe 1933-1945

85 min Adult Warning: some graphic footage
This historical documentary looks at the persecution of the Jews in Europe between 1933 and 1945.
Subject(s): Genocide, Persecution

Yom Hashoah 1999

60 min MS+
This video documents the Yom Hashoah events held at the Midwest Center for Holocaust Education in 1999.
Subject(s) Survivors

Zuflucht in Shanghai: The Port of Last Resort

75 min MS+
This documentary recounts the experiences of 20,000 European Jews who fled to Shanghai as the 'last resort' for safety during WWI.
Subject (s): China, Survivors

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