

International Holocaust Remembrance Day (January 27)

2025 Theme: Holocaust Remembrance for Dignity and Human Rights [Source](#)



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- January 27, 2005, was designated as the annual International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust.
- 2025 marks 80 years since the end of the Second World War and the Holocaust.
- Each year, Canadians and individuals around the globe come together to honour the victims of the Holocaust and to reflect on the importance of combating antisemitism. [Source](#)

Learn more about the Holocaust and Antisemitism (children)

Animated shorts

- [Understanding Antisemitism and What the Term Means \(2.23 min\)](#): Watch this video to learn more about what antisemitism is and why it matters
- [The Number on Great-Grandfather's Arm \(19 min\)](#): A conversation between a young boy and his great-grandfather, an Auschwitz survivor
- [The Basketball Game \(5 min\)](#): A story of an epic basketball game between kids attending Jewish camp and students of a local Holocaust denier
- [I Was a Child of Holocaust Survivors \(15 min\)](#): The film probes the taboos around a very particular second-hand trauma

Book

- [The Promise by Pnina Bat Zvi and Margie Wolfe](#) (book): Two sisters whose promise to their parents to “always, stay together” helped them survive Auschwitz.

Survivor and Generational testimonials

- [Visit Holocaust Life Stories](#): A project aimed at digitizing and preserving the testimonies of Holocaust survivors throughout Canada.

- [Stories to Commemorate Holocaust Remembrance Day \(podcast\)](#): Five stories of Holocaust survivors and their loved ones.

For more information on the Holocaust, you can also:

- Review [Unlearn Antisemitism](#): A resource hub for educators and parents to learn about, identify, and take action to address antisemitism
- Visit the [Toronto Holocaust Museum](#)
- Attend the Royal Ontario Museum (ROM)'s exhibition, [Auschwitz. Not long ago. Not far away \(January 10 – September 1, 2025\)](#)

Healthcare and the Holocaust

- [Webinar: Antisemitism in healthcare \(recorded March 2023\)](#) Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital
- [The Lancet Commission on medicine, Nazism, and the Holocaust: historical evidence, implications for today, teaching for tomorrow \(November 2023\)](#): A collection of articles and a recorded webinar which emphasize the importance of learners and practitioners of health sciences learning about and reflecting upon this history to benefit the patients and communities they serve.

Holland Bloorview Resources

- The Jewish Employee Resource Group was established at Holland Bloorview in December 2023. We envision this group as a platform for education, resilience building, and community-driven support, both within and outside the ERG framework. It is designed to be a safe space for members of the Jewish community and a source of positivity and empowerment. For more information, contact: JewishERG@hollandbloorview.ca
- [Discrimination, Racism and Harassment Reporting Process \(HB Connect\)](#): An independent and confidential process is available for reporting workplace discrimination, racism, and harassment.

This resource was developed by the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Accessibility and Anti-Racism Office (IDEAA) and members of the Jewish Employee Resource Group. If you have any comments or would like to suggest additional resources, please e-mail ideaa@hollandbloorview.ca