



A LIVING  
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TO THE  
HOLOCAUST

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## MUSEUM OF JEWISH HERITAGE - A LIVING MEMORIAL TO THE HOLOCAUST FACT SHEET

**Mission:** The mission of the **Museum of Jewish Heritage - A Living Memorial to the Holocaust** is to educate people of all ages and backgrounds about 20th-century Jewish history, before, during, and after the Holocaust.

**Location:** Edmond J. Safra Plaza, 36 Battery Place, Battery Park City, Manhattan.

**Opening dates:** Museum - September 15, 1997; Robert M. Morgenthau Wing – September 15, 2003

**Leadership:** Robert M. Morgenthau, Chairman of the Board; Stephen Kaufman, George Klein, Manfred Ohrenstein, Ann Oster, and Howard J. Rubenstein, Vice Chairs; and David G. Marwell, Director.

**Architecture:** The Museum's 30,000-square-foot symbolic six-sided shape and tiered roof is a reminder of the six million who perished in the Holocaust, as well as the Star of David. The steeped louvered roof rises 85 feet in the air. Architect: Kevin Roche John Dinkeloo and Associates.

The 82,000-square-foot, four-story Robert M. Morgenthau Wing contains a state-of-the-art theater, Edmond J. Safra Hall, suitable for films, lectures and performances; a memorial garden, *Garden of Stones*, designed by Andy Goldsworthy; classrooms; a resource center and library; expanded gallery space for special exhibitions; offices; café; event hall rentable for private use. Architect: Kevin Roche John Dinkeloo and Associates.

**Core Exhibition:** The Museum is organized around three basic themes: Jewish Life a Century Ago; War Against the Jews; Jewish Renewal. The exhibition was designed by the Washington firm of Douglas/Gallagher. More than 2,000 photographs and 800 historical and cultural artifacts convey the Jewish experience from the 1880s to the present. Shown throughout the exhibits, 24 original documentary films, produced by Rainmaker Productions of New York, chronicle the memories of survivors and include testimonies from Steven Spielberg's Survivors of the Shoah Visual History Foundation.

**Special Exhibitions:** *The Morgenthaus: A Legacy of Service*, on view through December 2010; *Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow: Jewish Refugee Scholars at Black Colleges*, on view through February 21; and *Keeping History Center*, an interactive digital visitor experience.

**Audio Tour:** Award-winning tour narrated by Meryl Streep and Itzhak Perlman; \$5 in addition to Museum admission. Also available in Spanish, Russian, and Japanese.

**Hours:** Sunday to Tuesday, Thursday 10AM to 5:45PM; Wednesday 10AM to 8PM; Friday and eve of Jewish holidays 10AM to 5 PM (Daylight Saving Time); Friday and eve of Jewish holidays 10AM to 3 PM (Eastern Standard Time); Closed Saturday, Jewish holidays, and Thanksgiving.

**Admission:** \$12 adults; \$10 seniors; \$7 students; members and children 12 and under are free. Tickets are available at the Museum's Box Office by calling (646) 437-4202. Group tours are available by calling (646) 437-4305. Admission is free every Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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