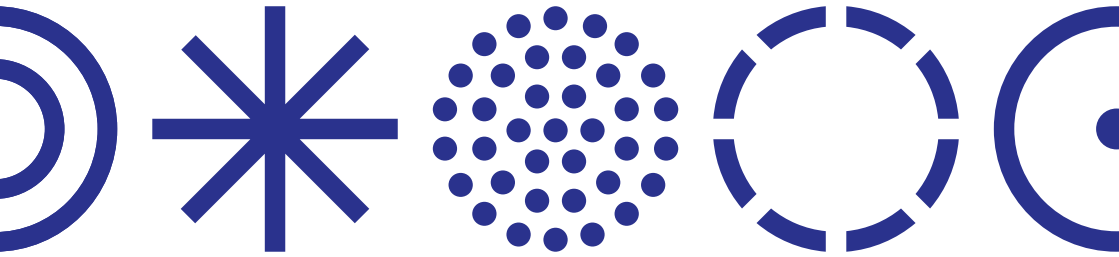


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From Crisis to Creativity:
Resilience and Renewal in Jewish Museums



National
Holocaust
Museum

16-18 June 2024

Programme

SUNDAY 16 JUNE

09:00 Opening/registration

10:00 Introduction to the new National Holocaust Museum
Annemiek Gringold, chief curator, Hollandsche Schouwburg & National Holocaust Museum Amsterdam

10:30 Possibility to visit the Hollandsche Schouwburg & National Holocaust Museum

12:00 **LUNCH**

13:00 **OPENING CEREMONY**

Emile Schrijver, chair of the AEJM board and director of the Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam

13:30 **PLENARY SESSION I**

Creating resilient Jewish Museums in a politicized world
Round table talk with:

Emile Schrijver, chair of the AEJM board and director of the Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam

Jakub Wozniak, head of communication, Museum of the History of Polish Jews (POLIN)

Pascale Falek, policy officer, office of the EU coordinator on combating antisemitism and fostering Jewish life

Moderation: *Nina Siegal, journalist, The New York Times*

15:00 **BREAK**

15:30 **PROFESSIONAL SESSION I**

Coping with crisis: How to deal with the changes and the current situation within your institution

Keynote: *Jair Stranders, artistic director, Theater Na de Dam*

Thematic conversations

17:00 **END OF PROGRAM / GET-TOGETHER**

MONDAY 17 JUNE

09:30 **PLENARY SESSION II**

Shaping vision: stories behind the creation of the National Holocaust Museum

- **Design:** *Boaz Bar-Adon, senior spatial designer, OPERA Amsterdam*
- **Communication strategy:** *Mick Groeneveld, freelance marketing & communication coordinator*
- **Terminology choices:** *Annemiek Gringold, chief curator & project manager, Hollandsche Schouwburg & National Holocaust Museum Amsterdam*
- **Education:** *Julia Sarbo, senior educator, National Holocaust Museum Amsterdam*

10:30 **BREAK**

10:45 **PLENARY SESSION III**

Curating stories on looted art and restitution

Keynote:

Mara Lagerweij, provenance specialist, Rijksmuseum Amsterdam and guest curator of "Looted" at the Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam

Julie-Marthe Cohen, curator of cultural history, Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam

11:15 **International perspectives on looted art and restitution**

Round table talk with:

Felicitas Heimann-Jelinek, freelance Judaic scholar, art historian, curator and museum consultant, xhibit.at

Nanette Snoep, director, Rautenstrauch-Joest Museum, Cologne

Michaela Sidenberg, deputy director, Jewish Museum in Prague

Moderation: *Kathrin Pieren, director, Jewish Museum Westphalia, Dorsten*

12:15 **LUNCH**

13:15 **PLENARY SESSION IV**

Introduction: Jewish Museums' Reactions to October 7, 2023

Michal Houminer, curator, Museum of the Jewish People (ANU), Tel Aviv

Rachel Sarfati, chief curator, The Israel Museum, Jerusalem

Moderation: Mats Tangestuen, academic director, Oslo Jewish Museum

14:00 PROFESSIONAL SESSION II

Jewish Museums' Reactions to October 7, 2023

Workshops:

A. Management

Moderated by: Mirjam Wenzel, director, Jewish Museum Frankfurt

B. Exhibitions

Moderated by: Joanna Fikus, head of exhibitions, Museum of the History of Polish Jews (POLIN), Warsaw

C. Programmes

Moderated by: Barbara Staudinger, director, Jewish Museum Vienna

D. Communication

Moderated by: Jakub Wozniak, head of communication, Museum of the History of Polish Jews (POLIN), Warsaw

15:00 SHORT BREAK

15:15 Report from our colleagues at the Council of American Jewish Museums

15:30 PLENARY SESSION V

The Lost & Found platform on Jewish ceremonial objects - about the project

Felicitas Heimann-Jelinek, freelance Judaic scholar, art historian, curator and museum consultant, xhibit.at

Michaela Feurstein-Prasser, freelance Judaic scholar, art scholar, curator and museum consultant, xhibit.at

Julie-Marthe Cohen, curator of cultural history, Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam

Peter Tessel, search designer, Spinque, Utrecht

17:00 END OF PROGRAM

17:30 RECEPTION

with drinks and food at the Jewish Museum

19:30 CANDLELIGHT CONCERT

Candlelight concert at the Portuguese Synagogue with Job Chajes Sextet

TUESDAY 18 JUNE

09:00 PLENARY SESSION VI

IAASK method: new developments

Judith Whitlau, museum educator, Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam

Petra Katzenstein, manager Jewish Museum junior, Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam

Irith Koster, organisational psychologist and coach, TACTadviseurs

10:00 BREAK & IDEA FAIR

10.30 PROFESSIONAL SESSION III

Education in the Jewish Cultural Quarter
(6 workshops)

- A. Thinking together about the renewal of the Jewish Museum Junior**
Led by: *Petra Katzenstein, manager Jewish Museum junior, Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam*
Location: *Jewish Museum junior*
- B. Educational approach at the National Holocaust Museum**
Led by: *Julia Sarbo, senior educator, National Holocaust Museum Amsterdam*
Location: *atelier National Holocaust Museum*
- C. Secondary school programme *Think of me* at the Hollandsche Schouwburg**
Led by: *Inge Bours, educator, National Holocaust Museum Amsterdam*
Location: *Hollandsche Schouwburg*
- D. The (im)possibilities of museum presentations around current events using two case studies on Israel: Demokratia, and Zionism, Promise or Pitfall?**
Led by: *Batya Wolff, education and exhibition projects, Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam*
Location: *Hollandsche Schouwburg*

E. Peaceful Nuancing - Dealing with strong opinions and prejudices on the museum floor

Led by: *Irith Koster (Tact) & Judith Whitlau (Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam) training and development of the I ASK method.*

Location: *National Holocaust Museum*

F. Classroom Talkshow, a programme for high-school students. ‘What are others saying about us’ and ‘is that actually true’?

Led by: *Swaan Nolte, educator & Benjamin Heertje, museum guide, Jewish Cultural Quarter Amsterdam*

Location: *Jewish Museum*

12:00 LUNCH & IDEA FAIR

13:00 PLENARY SESSION VII

Strengthening connections between Jewish museums and their local communities

Round table talk with:

Mirjam Wenzel, director, Jewish Museum Frankfurt

Barbara Cuglietta, director, Jewish Museum of Belgium, Brussels

Joanna Fikus, head of exhibitions, Museum of the History of Polish Jews (POLIN), Warsaw

Moderator: *Nisya Isman Allovi, director, Jewish Museum of Turkey*

14:00 Feedback and reflections

Led by: *Mats Tangestuen, academic director, Oslo Jewish Museum*

14:30 END OF CONFERENCE

15:00 DEPARTURE EXCURSIONS >>

15:30 AEJM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

EXCURSIONS

- **Stolperstein demonstration at the Goethe-Institut Amsterdam**

Alexander Stukenberg, responsible for the coordination and production of Stolpersteine for the BeNeLux countries, gives a demonstration of the making of a stolperstein.

- **Guided tour of the Royal Theatre Tuschinski**

The Royal Theatre Tuschinski was founded by Abraham Tuschinski, a Dutch businessman of Jewish Polish descent, in 1921. Learn more about its unique design and architecture, mixing Amsterdamse School, jugendstil and art deco, during this guided tour.

Fee: € 12,50 pp

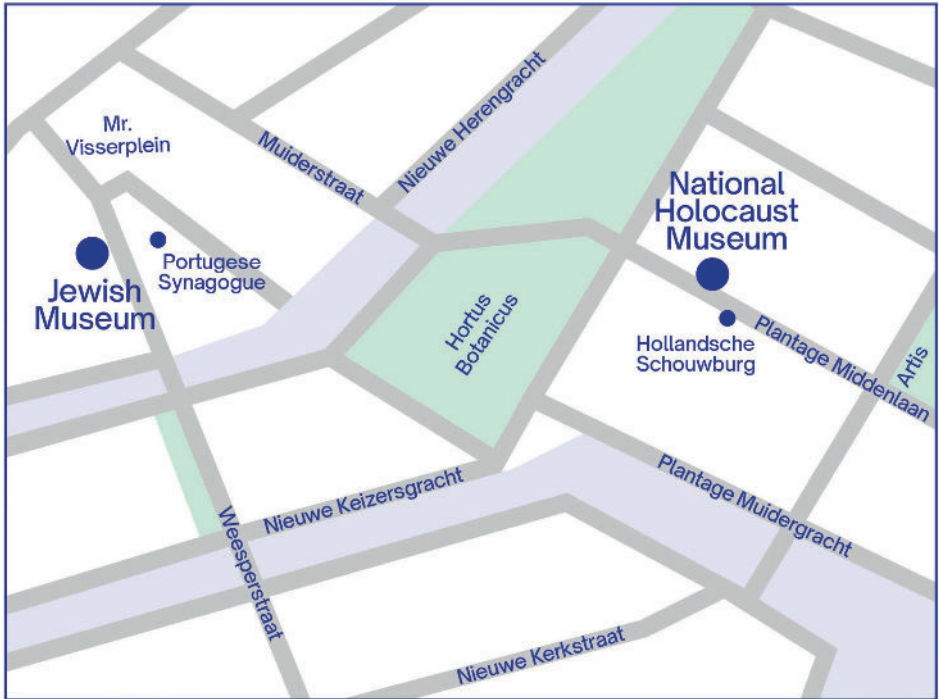
- **Walking tour Jewish Amsterdam**

The Jewish Cultural Quarter is in the heart of what was once the city's Jewish neighbourhood. Find out about all this while taking a walk that connects all the historical monuments of Jewish Amsterdam.

- **Guided tour of the Ets Haïm Library by curator Heide Warncke**

Ets Haim is the oldest active Jewish library in the world, located in the outbuildings of the Portuguese Synagogue. During the tour, conservator Heide Warncke will discuss the history of the library and the role it has played within the Sephardi Jewish community.

The Jewish Museum and the National Holocaust Museum are located within a 6 minute walking distance from each other.



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