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VIOLINS of HOPE
OPENING OCTOBER 2
The Maltz Museum is thrilled to be among seven incredible cultural institutions taking part in the community-wide collaboration Violins of Hope Cleveland. Second generation master violinmaker Amnon Weinstein has been restoring violins that survived the Holocaust for more than two decades. Having lost hundreds of relatives in the Holocaust, Weinstein dedicates his work to the family members he never knew. The instruments in his collection have been played in concert halls around the world, giving voice to those who were silenced. “When my violins are on stage, six million people are standing behind them,” says Weinstein. The stories behind 19 violins on display—18 from Weinstein’s collection and one making its American debut on loan from Yad Vashem, the World Center for Documentation, Research, Education and Commemoration of the Holocaust—will be shared in the exhibition Violins of Hope at the Maltz Museum (Oct. 2, 2015–Jan. 3, 2016).

From a violin played to accompany work details and entertain SS officers in a concentration camp to an instrument employed in a plot to blow up a Nazi soldiers club, the instruments illustrate the diversity of Jewish experiences during World War II. While some people escaped Nazi tyranny, others suffered in ghettos and far too many were sent to death camps. The violins and their stories of pain, loss and survival offer powerful connections to the past and help us to comprehend the complex realities of the Holocaust.

The exhibition is a multisensory experience incorporating stories, imagery, video and of course, music. The immersive space allows visitors to reflect on the power of music—as a tool of oppression, a form of protest and a source of hope. Period-appropriate classical and Klezmer music provides a soundtrack for the exhibition, and most exciting is that students from the Cleveland Institute of Music and the Baldwin Wallace Conservatory of Music will periodically fill the gallery with music played on violins from Weinstein’s collection. Gifted young musicians will bring these instruments to life, connecting us today to the voices of a lost generation.

From GroundWorks DanceTheatre’s world premiere of a work by David Shimotakahara to a concert by the Holocaust Survivor Band recently featured in the New York Times, the Maltz Museum and approximately 20 organizations across Northeast Ohio are offering Violins of Hope programs designed to educate and inspire. Don’t miss the exclusive member events included in the Museum’s packed program calendar this season.

The Violins of Hope stories promise to move you. As Amnon Weinstein states, “This is a very special project that is coming from the heart and has the power to touch the hearts of everyone in the world.”

Ellen Rudolph, Executive Director
UPCOMING EVENTS
Advance registration is strongly encouraged. Unless otherwise noted, call 216.593.0575 or visit maltzmuseum.org to reserve your seat.

OCTOBER

SAT OCT 3 | 2 - 3:30pm
DANCE PERFORMANCE*
THE FRED ASTAIRE DANCERS
$10 general, Museum Members Free
The Fred Astaire Dancers perform as part of Beachwood CVB’s Food, Fun & Fashion Week. See visitbeachwoodohio.com for a complete listing of events.

SUN OCT 4 | 1pm
DIALOGUE*
VIOLINS OF HOPE
$12 general; $6 Maltz Museum Members
Master violinmaker Amnon Weinstein and author James A. Grymes, author of Violins of Hope: Violins of the Holocaust—Instruments of Hope and Liberation in Mankind’s Darkest Hour discuss the incredible story behind the exhibition.

MEMBER-ONLY OPPORTUNITIES
Associate Level Member and Above Only:
10am tour Violins of Hope with Grymes and Weinstein; enjoy coffee and light refreshments
All Members: 11:30am book signing—Meet James A. Grymes; light refreshments

WED OCT 7 | 4:30pm
AFTERSCHOOL EDUCATOR WORKSHOP
VIOLINS OF HOPE CLEVELAND
Open to all educators; $10
Facing History and Ourselves provides teachers with resources and strategies to help prepare students for Holocaust education and to visit Violins of Hope. Tour the exhibition and discuss the stories the instruments tell and their legacy today.

WED OCT 7 | 4:30pm
SUN OCT 11 | 12:45pm
CHAGRIN VALLEY DOCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL SCREENING
TWO BARNs
@ Chagrin Valley Little Theatre
For tickets, call 440.247.1591 or visit chagrinfilmfest.org.
Even before the Nazis declared their Final Solution, tens of thousands of Jews had been murdered by their neighbors in villages and townships across Poland, Russia and Ukraine. This Chaim Hecht documentary juxtaposes the massacre of 1,600 people in Jedwabne, Poland by their neighbors with stories of Polish people who risked their lives to hide Jews in their own barns.

THURS OCT 8 & FRI OCT 9 | 7:30pm
CHAGRIN VALLEY DOCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL SCREENING
LANDFILL HARMONIC
For tickets, call 440.247.1591 or visit chagrinfilmfest.org.
Landfill Harmonic follows the Recycled Orchestra of Cateura, a Paraguayan musical youth group composed of desperately poor children living next to one of South America’s largest landfills. This unlikely orchestra plays music from instruments made entirely out of garbage. When a natural disaster devastates their community, the Orchestra provides a source of hope for the town and its people. This is the Midwest premiere of this much anticipated documentary directed by Juliana Penaranda-Loftus, Brad Allgood and Graham Townsley.

MON OCT 12 | 8:30am
EDUCATOR WORKSHOP
THE HOLOCAUST & HUMAN BEHAVIOR
Designed for 6 - 12th grade Humanities educators; $30
How is history shaped by hatred, indifference, and denial, as well as by caring, compassion and responsibility? Facing History and Ourselves explores the range of choices that led to the failure of democracy in Germany and ultimately the persecution of millions of Jews and other targeted groups. Tour Violins of Hope and consider the role music played in sustaining the human spirit and resisting oppression during the Holocaust. (Some online pre-work is required for this workshop.)

MON OCT 12 | 7:30pm
MANDEL JCC CLEVELAND JEWISH FILM FEST SCREENING
LET’S GO
@ Cedar Lee Theatre
For tickets, visit mandeljcc.org
In this German film from director Michael Verhoeven, Laura returns home from L.A. in the wake of her father’s death. Arriving to a mother sitting shiva and a sister in a coma, Laura walks through memories of her upbringing by Holocaust survivors, trying to make sense of the distance that formed between the two generations.

LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL PROGRAMMING?
We’re always adding events to our online calendar. Be sure to visit maltzmuseum.org for the most comprehensive and up-to-date list of programs at the Museum.
**GROUNDWORKS DANCE THEATRE**
**A WORLD PREMIERE, INSPIRED BY THE VIOLINS OF HOPE**
@ Allen Theatre, Playhouse Square (1501 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, OH)

**THURS OCT 15 | 6:30pm**
**MEMBER-ONLY OPPORTUNITY**
Associate Level Members and Above: Talk back with director David Shimotakahara and Israeli composer Oded Zehavi and watch the final dress rehearsal of a world premiere dance theater piece inspired by Violins of Hope; reception dessert

**FRI OCT 16 | 8pm & SAT OCT 17 | 8pm**
$20/$25 reserved seating, $10 students and children under 18, use discount code VOH for $3 off
For tickets, call 866.546.1353 or visit groundworksdance.org

World premiere of a powerful new work by David Shimotakahara inspired by Violins of Hope, featuring new music by Israeli composer Oded Zehavi. Presented in partnership with the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage, Jewish Federation of Cleveland’s Israel Arts Connection and the Cleveland Institute of Music.

**OCT 16 - NOV 14**
**FRI & SAT | 8pm**
**SUN | 3pm**
**CESEAR’S FORUM PLAY**
**THE INVESTIGATION BY PETER WEISS**
@ Kennedy’s Down Under, Playhouse Square
$18, use code ViolinsCLE for a $15 seat
For tickets, call 216.241.6000 or visit playhousesquare.org.
*The Investigation* depicts the Frankfurt Auschwitz Trials of 1963-1965. Often termed documentary drama, the play utilizes actual testimony of survivors to share two versions of history: the victims’ and the executioners’. Its themes explore human nature, morality and the clash of differing cultural beliefs.

**FRI OCT 30 | 8pm**
**MEMBER-ONLY OPPORTUNITY**
Sponsor Level Members and Above
Kennedy’s Down Under at Playhouse Square
Use the promo code above to get your discounted tickets. Then stay after the show for light refreshments and a talk back with the director and actors.

**SUN OCT 18 | 2pm**
**INTERPLAY JEWISH THEATRE**
**A HAPPY END BY IDDO NETANYAHU**
$12 general; $6 Maltz Museum Members
It’s 1932 and the eve of Hitler’s rise to power in Germany. Noted physicist Mark Erdmann, his wife and teenage son are enjoying the good life in Berlin. Over the next few months, even as they see signs of danger, they persist in believing that things can’t get worse. A play about the power of denial, *A Happy End* ran earlier this year off-Broadway.

**MUSIC EDUCATOR WORKSHOPS**
**ECHOES AND REFLECTIONS WITH THE CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA**
Designed for Northeast Ohio music educators; $15 per session
Space is limited; advance registration is required. Please contact Joan Katz at jkatz@clevelandorchestra.com with Subject Line: Violins of Hope Teacher Workshops for Music Educators.
Education credit for these workshops is available from the University of Southern California upon request.

**TUES OCT 20 | 4:30pm**
@ Severance Hall
An introduction to the music that will be performed at the December Cleveland Orchestra Violins of Hope Education Concerts. The repertoire reflects the important role of music in Jewish culture and daily life and its role as a source of comfort, resistance, hope and strength during one of the darkest periods in history.

**WED NOV 4 | 4:30pm**
@ Maltz Museum
Music educators get the tools and background to introduce the Holocaust to their students while examining the role of music as both a form of resistance and as a source of comfort, inspiration and hope before, during and after the war.

**WED OCT 21 | 4pm**
**TEACHERTINI EDUCATOR NIGHT OUT**
Open to classroom and resource teachers; Free Educators welcome to purchase a ticket for a non-teacher guest for $6.
Explore. Connect. Celebrate! Enjoy an evening at the Maltz Museum with your peers. Get a behind-the-scenes exhibition tour, share ideas with fellow teachers, mingle with our education team and relax with a drink and light hors d’oeuvres.

**CALENDAR KEY**
* Program includes admission to the Maltz Museum and to *Violins of Hope*. Visitors are encouraged to arrive early to tour the galleries and the exhibition.
SUN OCT 25 | 2pm
CONCERT*
BALDWIN-WALLACE UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT
$12 general; Maltz Museum Members Free
Seating is limited. Call 216.593.0575 to register.
A special performance of Bach’s Concerto for Two Violins, Strings and Continuo in D minor, BWV 1043.
Octavio Más-Arocas, conductor.

NOVEMBER

SUN NOV 8 | 1pm
CONCERT/Q&A *
THE HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR BAND
@ Mandel JCC Stonehill Auditorium
(26001 South Woodland Rd., Beachwood, OH)
$20 general; $15 Maltz Museum and Mandel JCC Members
Join us for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to share in the healing power of music and hear two Holocaust survivors’ amazing stories of courage and resistance. Led by Saul Dreier and Reuwen Sosnowicz and featuring children and grandchildren of survivors, the group was featured recently in the New York Times. This special matinee Holocaust Survivor Band concert includes a Q&A and admission to the Violins of Hope exhibition at the Maltz Museum.

WED NOV 11 | 7pm
FILM SCREENING*
THE PIANIST
$12 general; $6 Maltz Museum Members
The gripping true story of Polish-Jewish pianist and composer Władysław Szpilman is brilliantly told in the 2002 Oscar-winning picture. Following the film, join us for a discussion of the story’s connection to Violins of Hope.

THU NOV 12 | 7:30pm
MANDEL JCC FESTIVAL OF JEWISH BOOKS & AUTHORS
REBECCA ALEXANDER, NOT FADE AWAY
@ Mandel JCC (26001 South Woodland Rd., Beachwood, OH)
For tickets, visit: mandeljcc.org
Born with a rare genetic mutation called Usher Syndrome type III, Rebecca Alexander has been simultaneously losing her sight and hearing since she was a child. Now almost completely blind and deaf, Alexander meditates on what she’s lost and what she’s found in return. Not Fade Away is a unique look at the obstacles we all face and an exquisite reminder to live each day to its fullest.

SUN NOV 15 | 2pm
PERFORMANCE/LECTURE*
GROUNDWORKS DANCE THEATRE: BEHIND THE CREATIVE PROCESS WITH
$12 general; $6 Maltz Museum Members
GroundWorks DanceTheatre presents fragments of the new work inspired by the Violins of Hope. Learn about the creative process and the inspiration from David Shimotakahara, GroundWorks artistic director, Israeli composer Oded Zehavi, and other members of the company. Presented in partnership with GroundWorks DanceTheatre, the Jewish Federation of Cleveland’s Israel Arts Connection and the Cleveland Institute of Music.

MON NOV 16 | 7:30pm
ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
@ Severance Hall
Zubin Mehta, Music Director
For tickets, visit clevelandorchestra.com or call 216.231.1111

For all programs related to Violins of Hope Cleveland visit violinsofhopecle.org
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SUN NOV 15 | 7pm
FRIENDS OF THE MALTZ MUSEUM FUNDRAISER
NORTHEAST OHIO’S FUNNIEST RABBI
@ Congregation Shaarey Tikvah (26811 Fairmount Blvd, Cleveland, OH) $20, $15 Maltz Museum Members

Five of Northeast Ohio’s most entertaining rabbis tell their best jokes and share their funniest stories. The friendly competition is decided by a panel of celebrity judges, and by you, the members of the audience. Laughter and applause are instrumental in selecting this year’s Funniest Rabbi.

WED NOV 18 | 7pm
LECTURE/PERFORMANCE*
THE MYSTERY OF THE VIOLIN featuring Dr. Julian Ross, Professor of Violin, Head of String Department, Baldwin Wallace University Conservatory of Music
$12 general; $6 Maltz Museum Members

The mystical connection between the violin and the Jewish people stretches from the instrument’s 16th-century origins to modern times. Join Dr. Julian Ross as he ponders these mysteries and celebrates the tenderness and heroism that has made the violin so much a part of Jewish culture. Throughout his talk, Ross will also perform on one of the Violins of Hope.

DECEMBER

WED DEC 2 | 7pm
GALLERY TALK*
THE CLEVELAND NAZIS
$12 general; $6 Maltz Museum Members

The true story of Northeast Ohio Nazis is illuminated in this program featuring artifacts in the Museum’s core collection. The gallery talk is led by Dr. Sean Martin, Western Reserve Historical Society, and Michael Cikraji, author of The History of the Cleveland Nazis 1933 - 1945.

SUN DEC 6 | 3pm
CONCERT*
SONGS OF RESISTANCE: THE IMANI TEMPLE MINISTRIES CHOIR
@ Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage
$6 general

Join us for an uplifting acapella concert featuring Sister Tina Farmer and the Voices of Imani (Imani Temple Ministries) featuring music from the era of slavery and including one of the Violins of Hope. Presented in partnership with The Imani Temple Ministries and the Anti-Defamation League.

WED DEC 9 | 7pm
LECTURE*
ART & THE HOLOCAUST
Featuring Jay Geller, Samuel Rosenthal Professor of Judaic Studies, and Daniel Goldmark, Professor, Director of the Center of Popular Music Studies, Case Western Reserve University
$12 general; $6 Maltz Museum Members

Professors Geller and Goldmark present a program based on their new course exploring the music and visual art of the Holocaust, including the anti-Semitic concept of “degenerate art.” Presented in partnership with Case Western Reserve University.

SUN DEC 13 | 3pm
CONCERT
SONGS OF RESISTANCE: THE IMANI TEMPLE MINISTRIES CHOIR
@ Imani Temple
(2463 N Taylor Rd, Cleveland, OH)
$6 general

See DEC 6 listing.

WED DEC 16 | 7pm
LECTURE*
STONES FILL THE VOID: VISITING THE MURDERED JEWS OF VIENNA
$12 general; $6 Maltz Museum Members

Travel writer Irene Shaland shares historic perspective on Vienna in relation to the Violins of Hope exhibition.
Opportunities to make a positive change in the world present themselves every day. Youth Speak Out celebrates Northeast Ohio students who seize those opportunities and commit to making a difference. By reflecting on a real-life situation and detailing ways to create a more accepting, inclusive community, this next generation of leaders can win big.

$100,000 in scholarships, awards and anti-bias education grants is available to 6-12th graders in Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit, Trumbull and Wayne counties.

**Grades 6-10**
**ESSAYS DUE DEC. 4, 2015, 11:59pm**
In 500 words or less, describe a time when you or someone you know chose silence or inaction over speaking up in a difficult or uncomfortable situation. What was the harm in not doing or saying anything? What did you learn from that experience and how will that knowledge influence your actions in the future?

**Grades 11 & 12**
**ESSAYS DUE JAN. 22, 2016, 11:59pm**
In 500 words or less, describe an obstacle you or someone you know has faced in being accepted. What qualities does it take to break down barriers? What have you done and what actions will you take in the future to create a more inclusive community?

**ENTER NOW!**
Complete rules & inspiration can be found at maltzmuseum.org/stop-the-hate.

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**READERS WANTED!**
Volunteers play a critical role in Stop the Hate®: Youth Speak Out. An anticipated 4,000 6-12th graders from across Northeast Ohio will participate in the essay contest. We need hundreds of volunteers to score the essays. Readers review approximately 25 entries online. If you are able to donate your time and you’re 18 or older and not the parent or teacher of a student involved in the contest, contact Wesley Aaron Bane, Manager of Volunteers and Visitor Services at 216.593.0587 or wbane@mmjh.org.
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