

National Days of Remembrance

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[YOUR ORGANIZATION NAME] TO HOLD DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY HONORING VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST AND NAZI PERSECUTION

[CITY, STATE]—On [DATE], [YOUR ORGANIZATION NAME] will take part in the nationwide effort to honor the victims of the Holocaust and Nazi persecution by holding a Days of Remembrance ceremony at [LOCATION] at [TIME]. The event coincides with the nation’s annual commemoration of the Holocaust established by Congress and led by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, DC.

The ceremony, which is open to [AUDIENCE], will feature [EVENT DESCRIPTION: e.g., NAMES READING, VIDEO PRESENTATION, HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR PRESENTATION, etc.].

[QUOTE FROM YOUR ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP]

The Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945. Jews were the primary victims—six million were murdered; Roma and Sinti (Gypsies), people with mental and physical disabilities, and Poles were also targeted for destruction or decimation for racial, ethnic, or national reasons. Millions more, including homosexuals, Jehovah’s Witnesses, Soviet prisoners of war, and political dissidents, also suffered grievous oppression and death under Nazi Germany.

Through our Days of Remembrance event, [YOUR ORGANIZATION NAME] seeks both to commemorate this tragic history and to reflect on the lessons it holds for our lives today. We also pay tribute to the rescuers who risked their lives to save others during the Holocaust and to the American soldiers who liberated the concentration camps.

“It’s not enough to curse the darkness of the past. We have to illuminate the future,” explains Holocaust survivor Estelle Laughlin. “On Days of Remembrance the most important thing to remember is the humanity that is in all of us to leave the world better for our children and for posterity.”

To learn more about our event, visit our website at [YOUR URL]. To learn more about Days of Remembrance, including the national ceremony in the US Capitol Rotunda and a map of remembrance events around the country, visit the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum’s website at ushmm.org/survivors-victims.