



Welcome to our October 2008 newsletter

If you have any colleagues who may be interested in the work of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust please pass this newsletter on and encourage them to join our mailing list. Please contact us at any time with queries or suggestions. We are always happy to hear from you. Call us on **0845 838 1883** or email enquiries@hmd.org.uk

Community Organiser Guidelines Available

The Community Organiser Guidelines pack for HMD09 is now available **free of charge** from HMDT. These guidelines include a copy of the HMD09 theme "**Stand up to Hatred**", two A3 posters, more information about the Holocaust and genocide and advice on running an event in your local community.

These packs are free of charge, however we will be limiting the amount of packs sent to each organisation to a maximum of 10. In order to help us save postage costs please only order the number of packs you require.



You can download additional copies from our website at <http://www.hmd.org.uk/files/1217326066-215.pdf>

Additional A5 booklets from the pack can be ordered for you to give away and further materials suitable for display and distribution will be ready later in the year.

Please order your packs by emailing enquiries@hmd.org.uk or calling 0845 838 1883. You can also still order copies of the HMD08 Commemorative book which lists almost 500 events which took place earlier this year.

Free Resources from HMDT

In addition to community guidelines **free education materials** are also now available. The education pack includes an activity board and case studies, lesson plans based on the activity board, suggestions for collective worship/assemblies and starting points for discussion. There are different activities for primary, secondary and post sixteen students.

More free resources will be available later this year including a short film on DVD, a set of A3 posters and a set of A5 postcards. You can order all of these materials now by emailing enquiries@hmd.org.uk.



Simone Arnold-Liebster, a Jehovah's Witness whose story features in education materials and the A5 postcard series © Arnold-Liebster Stiftung

Staff Changes at HMDT

Chief Executive of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust Chris Shaw has now moved on to become Chief Executive of the Disability Living Foundation. Carly Whyborn has taken on the role of HMD National Co-ordinator and we would like to welcome James Hurst as Operations Manager and Mahua Roychowdhury as Administration Officer.

All members of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust team are happy to help with your event organisation in any way possible from advising on assemblies to offering suggested reading materials or helping with articles for community magazines and helping to point you towards other organisations which can help with your planning.

Please call any member of our team on **0845 838 1883** or email enquiries@hmd.org.uk

Tell Us About Your Event

Please let us know about your commemorations of HMD09. You can do this by adding details of your event to our website at <http://www.hmd.org.uk/addevent.php> or by emailing enquiries@hmd.org.uk.



People's Palace, Glasgow, 2008 ©
People's Palace, Glasgow Museums



By adding your event to our website you will be letting the thousands of people who visit www.hmd.org.uk know about your plans and you will ensure inclusion in the HMD review of 2009. You will also be helping us to monitor how successful HMD is across the UK and assist us with our planning for future years.

Candle Lighting in Brent, 2008 ©
Brent Council

About the Holocaust Educational Trust

HMDT works closely with a variety of organisations which can also help with your HMD commemorations.

The Holocaust Educational Trust provides a variety of educational programmes and resources that can be used effectively in HMD commemorative activities. As part of the *Lessons from Auschwitz* projects, post-16 students from across the UK will also be marking HMD in their schools and local communities.

For details about how these students could play a part in your commemorative events and for further information about the services provided by the Holocaust Educational Trust please visit their website at www.het.org.uk or call 020 7222 6822 and mention you are planning a HMD event.



Black History Month

October is Black History Month across the UK. Black History Month has been celebrated for over 30 years and celebrates the achievements of Black communities and uncovers hidden histories.

Many local authorities celebrate Black History Month - please contact your council for more details. If you would more information on how to celebrate Black History Month visit

<http://www.blackhistorymonthuk.co.uk/> for news and advice.



Jean "Johnny" Voste, the only known Black prisoner of the Dachau concentration camp

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Father Patrick Desbois Visits UK

The Hertfordshire Learning Experience will be welcoming Father Patrick Desbois to the UK on 10th December at 8pm. The project "Search for the Mass Graves of the Jewish victims of the Einsatzgruppen in the Western and Eastern Regions of the Ukraine and the Registration of Eyewitnesses to the Executions" began in 2000 as a private initiative of Father Patrick Desbois whose grandfather was deported during the Second World War to a German camp for Soviet prisoners of war located in Ukraine. To date over 700 mass graves have been discovered and will now be preserved as Jewish grave sites.

For more information and details on how to attend the evening please contact HLX on 020 8953 8385 or visit www.hlx.org.uk

Show Racism the **Red** Card Scotland Fortnight of Action

Show Racism the Red Card Scotland will be holding a Fortnight of Action from 16th to 30th October and is once again calling upon people from all sections of the community to take a united stand against racism. Statistics show a year on year increase in reported racist incidents in Scotland. Gone are the days when racism is based only on colour, with racism towards asylum seekers, refugees, migrant workers, the Irish and English communities also occurring on a daily basis. A range of materials and a booklet with more information is available - please visit <http://www.theredcardscotland.org/action/>