



The Jewish East End Celebration Society (JEECS), supported by the Borough of Tower Hamlets, is organising a programme of events for Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) 2011. **All events listed are free, and open to the public.** The theme of HMD 2011 is "Untold Stories." The programme includes:

- **Untold Stories: the survivors of the Rwandan genocide**

Details: Monday 24th to Sunday 30th January 2011, see Idea Store opening times

Venue: Idea Store Bow and Idea Store Canary Wharf

A virtual exhibition - Untold Stories: the survivors of the Rwandan genocide – a series of remarkable portraits of survivors of the Rwanda genocide collected by photographer Andrew Sutton over the last ten years. The exhibition is in association with Survivors Fund (SURF), a London based charity representing and supporting survivors of the Rwandan genocide in the UK and Rwanda, and will run in tandem with a series of filmed testimonies of the featured survivors on www.survivors-fund.org.uk.

- **Untold Stories Film Programme**

Details: Thursday 27th January 2011, 6pm for 630pm – 830pm

Venue: Screen 3, Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, London E1 6LA

A special programme of short films based around the theme of Untold Stories, featuring:

- Drew Sutton's *The Survivors of the Rwandan Genocide: An Untold Story*, a 15 minute documentary on the situation of survivors of the Rwandan genocide today, and in particular the work of AVEGA, the Association of Widows of the Genocide, to rebuild the lives of survivors today.
- Katy Carr's *Kazik and the Kommander's Car*, a 25 minute part-animated documentary centred around a meeting between the filmmaker and Kazimierz Piechowski (Kazik), who was imprisoned in Auschwitz in 1940 for being a Polish boy scout and resisting Nazi occupation.
- Yoav Segal's *No Pasaran*, a 20 minute documentary on anti-fascist activism in the East End, the Battle of Cable Street and the International Brigade. This will be followed by a Q&A with Yoav and his grandfather, Ubbi Cowan, 93 years old, who fought at Cable Street and Shirley Murgraff, whose brother Sam Russell fought in the International Brigade and features in the film.

Booking is required, as tickets will be allocated on a first come basis. To book call 020 7613 7498.

- **The Holocaust, Second World War and Jewish East End Walk**

Details: Sunday 30th January, Midday – 230pm (ending at Nelson Street)

Start: Entrance of Aldgate tube

A walk led by East End expert, and registered Corporation of London walking guide, Clive Bettington. The walk will cover events including the Battle of Cable Street and the Hughes Mansions disaster. The walk will end at Nelson Street in time for the Commemoration event. To reserve a place please contact Clive on 07941 367 882 or clivebettington@lineone.net. For those unable to make the physical walk, there is a free virtual guided walk with Clive for download from www.tinyurl.com/hmd2010walk

- **The Tower Hamlets Holocaust Memorial Day Commemoration Event**

Details: Sunday 30th January, 230pm – 430pm (followed by refreshments)

Venue: East London Central Synagogue, 30-40 Nelson Street, E1 2DE (nr tube Shadwell DLR)

A special commemoration event (no booking required) which will feature:

- The music of Hilda Bronstein, one of the world's leading Klezmer songstresses who will be singing a selection of forgotten Yiddish songs with accompaniment.
- A talk by Vera Forster, who was born in Hungary and is a survivor of Auschwitz; she will share her remarkable story, which she has just published as a memoir, *A Daughter of Her Century*
- The story of the contribution of residents of the East End to the Auxiliary Fire Service from a representative of Firemen Remembered
- Reflections from representatives of the Tower Hamlets Interfaith Forum on Untold Stories.
- The Partisan's Song, and a special Kaddish (memorial prayer) sung by Barry Davis

Information on all the events will be posted on www.jeeecs.org.uk and <http://www.faithintowerhamlets.com>