

## **Grade 7 to 12 Holocaust Education Presentation**

## **Carrying on the Legacy, Sharing My Mother's Testimony**



Presenter: Dori Ekstein, Holocaust Educator

When?:

Main Presentation | Tues. Nov. 9th, 2021 | 10:00am - 11:00am (International Day Against Fascism and Antisemitism)

Optional Q&A | Tues. Nov. 9th, 2021 | 11:00am - 11:30am

Deadline to Register: November 3rd, 2021

Register your class using the <u>online registration form</u> before November 3rd, 2021. Due to limited spots available, bookings are made on a first come, first serve basis.

**Image Description:** Photograph of Mina Rawa, Mother of Dori Ekstein (August 8, 1939 - November 26, 2017)

## **Post-Learning Resources:**

Digital copy of memoir and follow up student worksheet available upon request.

\*This presentation and optional Q&A period is offered at no-cost to registered classes on November 3rd between the hours of 10:00am - 11:30am. The cost of the presentation on November 3rd has been covered by Inclusive School and Community Services, YRDSB.

As a descendant of two Holocaust survivors, I strongly feel that it is my moral obligation to tell my parents' stories of survival. I have created two unique and captivating presentations that share the testimonies of my mother and father. My presentations teach students about the lessons of the Holocaust. This is one way to successfully continue telling the stories of Holocaust survivors to students when there are no more survivors to speak for themselves.

The presentation on November 9th at 10:00am will focus on my mom's experience as a child in hiding during the Holocaust. This presentation contains photos, documents and artefacts, as well as direct quotes from my mom's memoir.

Through my mother's testimony, students can connect to the past, reflect on the present, and help them build a better future. By listening to first-hand experiences, an emotional connection is made. This engaging presentation elicits empathy and helps students understand the consequences of hatred, racism, prejudice, antisemitism and stereotyping.

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