

THE Zekelman HOLOCAUST CENTER

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The Zekelman Holocaust Center to Celebrate 38th Anniversary Benefit at Detroit's Huntington Place on Nov. 13

Fundraiser honors Nancy and Arn Tellem, features Presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jon Meacham as Keynote Speaker

Farmington Hills, Mich., Nov. 3, 2022 – [The Zekelman Holocaust Center](#) (The HC) is hosting its 38th Anniversary Benefit on Sun., Nov. 13 at Huntington Place (1 Washington Blvd.) in Detroit. This year's fundraiser honors Nancy and Arn Tellem, and their contributions to the Detroit business and philanthropic communities.

Nancy Tellem is a former President of CBS Entertainment and the co-founder of BasBlue in Detroit's Midtown. Arn is the Vice Chairman of Pistons Sports and Entertainment, overseeing basketball and business operations as well as their numerous community initiatives. Additionally, Nancy and Arn are dedicated to ensuring that the lessons of the Holocaust empower people today.

"The involvement and support of the Tellems for The HC and many local civic and cultural organizations reflect a passion and commitment to the continued growth and revitalization of the Detroit area," said Rabbi Eli Mayerfeld, CEO, The Zekelman Holocaust Center. "We are proud to recognize these caring community leaders for their activism, philanthropy and support for many nonprofit and executive boards in the region."

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served at 5:15 p.m. prior to a seated dinner and program at 6:15 p.m. The evening's keynote speaker is Presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jon Meacham. The Detroit Youth Choir will also give a special guest performance. A dessert afterglow will follow.

A contributor to *TIME* and *The New York Times Book Review*, Meacham is a highly sought-after commentator, regularly appearing on MSNBC, CNN, and other news outlets. A skilled orator with a depth of knowledge about politics, religion and current affairs, Meacham has the unique ability to bring history to life and offer historical context

to current events and issues impacting our daily lives—whether we realize it or not—to audiences of all backgrounds and levels of understanding.

The Detroit Youth Choir, which won 2nd place on *America's Got Talent*, is a nonprofit organization that develops students through music education, dance and theatrical arts. They perform locally, nationally and internationally, and were featured in a documentary IMAX film titled *America's Musical Journey*. The choir also recorded seven songs with UK musical group The Go! Team.

Dinner is provided by Quality Kosher Catering. Dinner Chairs are Nancy and Jim Grosfeld. Presenting Sponsors are Tom and Holly Gores.

Registration is required. For tickets or more information, call 248-536-9601 or visit <https://www.holocaustcenter.org/dinner/>.

About The Zekelman Holocaust Center

The Zekelman Holocaust Center (The HC) is a 55,000-square foot museum and Library Archive in Farmington Hills that teaches about the senseless murder of millions and why each of us must respect and stand up for the rights of others if we are to prevent future genocide and hate crimes.

The lessons of history are used to create a call to action, teaching visitors through the examples of those who risked their lives to save others, and asking our guests to react to contemporary challenges such as racism and prejudice.

Exhibits include artifacts such as an authentic WWII-era boxcar, video testimonies, films, paintings, and a sapling from the tree located outside Anne Frank's hiding place window that is described in her diary.

Located on the second floor above the museum, the Library Archive is an important resource for academics, the media and families researching their heritage. A national leader in innovative genocide education, The HC serves over 100,000 Michiganders each year.

Hours: Sunday through Thursday 9:30 am to 5:00 pm and Friday 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. The last admission is one hour before closing. Wheelchair accessible. Free parking. For additional information, visit www.holocaustcenter.org or call 248-553-2400.

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