

# Lessons from Auschwitz

2025/26

# Programme

**01** Orientation

**Auschwitz-Birkenau**  
**visit**

**03** Follow-up

**04** 2026 Theme



“The murder of approximately **six million** Jewish men, women and children by Nazi Germany and its collaborators during the Second World War”

## **The Holocaust**



Ota and Katerina Margolius (Prague, Czechoslovakia)



Berta Rosenheim  
(Leipzig, Germany)

01

# Jewish life in Europe pre-WW2

Jewish communities held a diverse range of nationalities, interests, occupations, political affiliations and religious expressions. It is important to recognise this -- they were not a monolith.



Makabi Kauna football team  
(Kaunas, Lithuania)

01

## Stephen Frank BEM

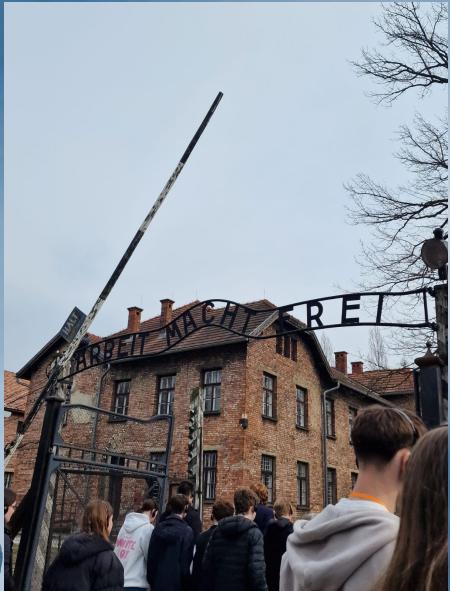
- Born in 1935, Netherlands
- Survived the Holocaust as a child



**“Hatred is a cancer  
of the mind”**

02

# Auschwitz-Birkenau



# 02

## Auschwitz 1 exhibitions

While not pictured, one of the most striking displays is the accumulation of human hair -- the Nazis would reuse their victims hair for textiles, showing the extent of the loss suffered by the Jewish communities.



Shoes



Prosthetics and aids

Suitcases



02

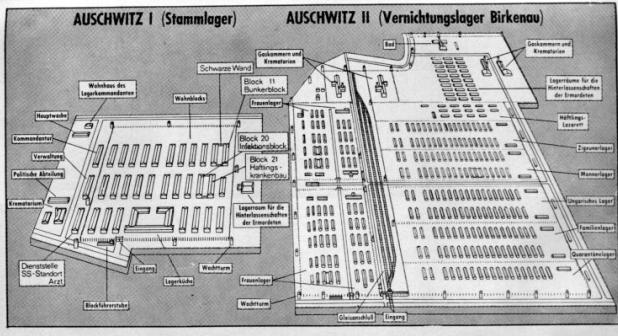
# The Book of Names





02

# Auschwitz 2- Birkenau



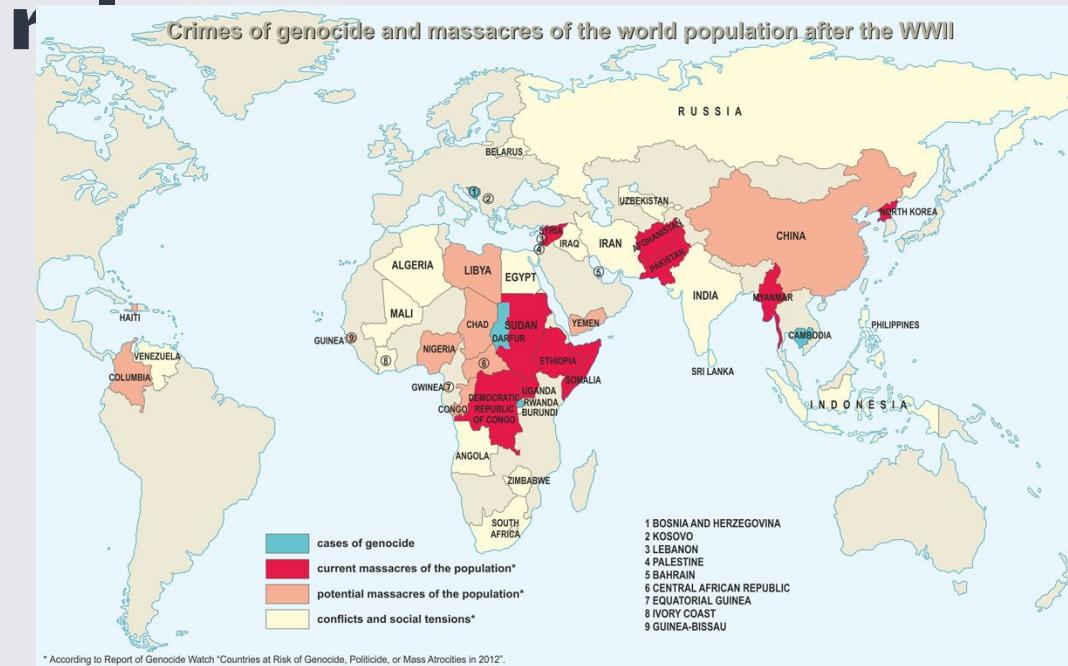
What was incredibly striking was the sheer size of the camp -- it was so big that you could not see the end of it if you were to enter, and we were informed that its size excluded the 3rd section which had been destroyed at the end of the war.

## The interior of a single barrack



# 03

# Contemporary



04

# 2026 theme: Bridging Generations



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**“For ever let this place be a cry of despair and a warning to humanity, where the Nazis murdered about one and a half million Jewish men, women and children, mainly Jews from various countries in Europe.”**

