

International conference 2023 Call for papers

Giving voice to the unspeakable: Artistic interventions in Holocaust and Human Rights museums in Norway and Poland

When: 29.03.2023-30.03.2023

Where: HL-Center, The Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies, Huk Aveny 56, Bygdøy, Norway

It is a pleasure to invite you to ***Giving voice to the unspeakable: Artistic interventions in Holocaust and Human Rights museums in Norway and Poland***. This conference is organized by Polin Museum of the history of Polish Jews and The HL-Center, The Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies, and will take place March 29-30 2023.

This conference will focus on the current tendency among museum and heritage institutions to host artistic interventions as a means of addressing or giving voice to difficult, ignored, or unacknowledged histories. Topics such as relevance, benefits and challenges related to artistic intervention as a curatorial strategy will be on the agenda. The conference will open with a keynote address given by Frisco Roscam-Abbing, adviser on communication FRA European Agency for Fundamental Rights, who will present action points and outcomes of the FRA's contributions in the field of arts and human rights in Europe.

Artists, academics, and museum/memorial site professionals are welcome to submit papers that touch upon the following issues:

What characterizes artistic interventions as a communicative tool? Which theoretical and methodological frameworks are applicable? How do artistic interventions work in museum and heritage sites? What kinds of impact may they have on existing narratives? What are their potentials and limitations? And how might they be used to engage with and expand target audiences?

Following the conference, Polin Museum of the history of Polish Jews and The HL-Center, The Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies, will publish the accepted conference papers along with key findings and highlights. If you wish to present a conference paper, please submit your abstract of 300 words for a 20-minute paper, along with a short CV, to givingvoice@hlsenteret.no

Deadline for submission: 31 December 2022

Notification of acceptance: 1 February 2023

Deadline for final paper submission: 20 March 2023

For any enquiries, please contact givingvoice@hlsenteret.no

We look forward to seeing you at ***Giving voice to the unspeakable: Artistic interventions in Holocaust and Human Rights museums in Norway and Poland***