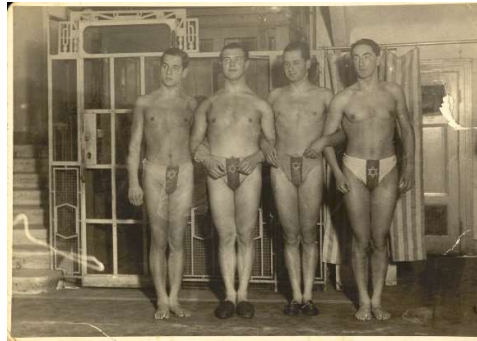


New exhibition at UNESCO commemorates Jewish life before the Holocaust



Herbert and Irene (later Eleanor) Hess, c.1930s. WHL Collections



Photograph belonging to Hubert Nassau of the Hakoah swimming team, c. late 1920s. From left to right: Hans Goldberger, Fritz Lichtenstein, Fred Guth, Hubert Nassau. WHL Collections



Mathilde Eisner 23 August 1911, Innichen. WHL Collections

A new exhibition at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris brings together rare snapshots of Jewish life before the Holocaust.

'There was a time...': Jewish Family Photographs before 1939 draws on the unique archive of the Wiener Holocaust Library in London.

The photography exhibition will be displayed at UNESCO headquarters in Paris from **17 January to 10 February 2023** around the exterior of the UNESCO building for the public to view. It marks the International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust on 27 January 2023.

These private family photographs uncover a hidden history of pre-Nazi era Jewish life in Germany and Austria. Captions reveal the fates of some of the individuals depicted: persecution, deportation, annihilation, or escape.

Senior Curator and Head of Education at the Wiener Holocaust Library, Dr Barbara Warnock, said:

'The Wiener Holocaust Library holds the largest collection of pre-Nazi-era Jewish family photographs in Britain. These precious materials document the lives of Jews in Europe in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, giving us a unique insight into this lost world.'

Further information

The Wiener Holocaust Library is the world's oldest and Britain's largest collection of original archival material on the Nazi era and the Holocaust. Founded in 1933, the Library is one of the world's leading and most extensive archives on the Holocaust and genocide. We are dedicated to supporting research, learning and advocacy about the Holocaust, its causes and consequences.

'There was a time...': Jewish Family Photographs Before 1939

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