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Stories about Lithuanian Jewish Children were Resounding at the National Conference

On the 25th of January, 2019, an artistic conference "Jewish Children's Stories" took place at the culture center in Ariogala. This event has already become a tradition since it is held every year, commemorating the International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

The conference was attended by a great number of teachers with pupils from 25 Lithuanian schools of general education, where Tolerance Education Centers are operating. Mrs. Ingrida Jankauskiene, Deputy Director of

Ariogala Gymnasium, opened

the event and expressed his satisfaction to welcome school groups from all over Lithuania in Ariogala every year.

Pupils, through artistic means of expression, told stories of Jewish children and teenagers, having resided in Lithuania. Teachers selected subjects for presentations from the memoirs of the Holocaust witnesses – Icchok Rudashevsky diary, memories of Trudi Birger and Stanislovas Rubinovas, a book about children of the Kaunas ghetto "Saved in potato sacks", from the works of writer Grigory Kanovich. A new book about the Jews of Raseiniai was also presented at the conference. The guests and participants of the event got acquainted with an exhibition of a litvak Simon Karczmar, coming from Dieveniškės, "A monument for Dieveniškės". Nathan, the son of Simon Karczmar, was also present at the conference. The event was attended by guests from Vilnius, Kaunas, Panevėžys, Šiauliai County Jewish Communities, Sugihara house – museum, Kaunas IX Fort Museum.

The conference was organized by the International Commission for the Evaluation of the Crimes of the Nazi and Soviet Occupation Regimes in Lithuania together with the Tolerance education center of Ariogala Gymnasium.

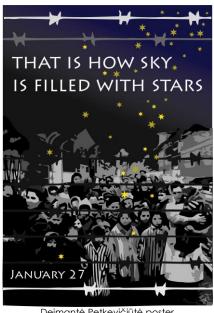


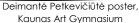


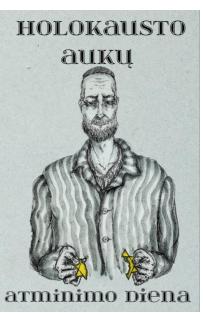




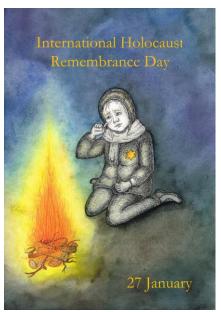








Patricija Pugžlytė poster, Kaunas Art Gymnasium



Deimena Rastenytė poster, Kaunas Art Gymnasium

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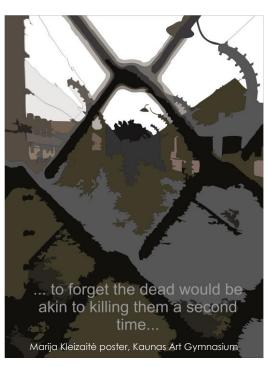
Commemorate the International Holocaust Remembrance Day Took Place in Tolerance Education Centers and in Partnership Institutions

In general education schools as well as in Tolerance education centers lessons on the subject, film reviews and discussions took place, which were dedicated to commemorate the International Holocaust Remembrance day.

History lessons on the Holocaust in Europe and in Lithuania took place in Kaunas Art Gymnasium. Saulius Mikuckis, a teacher of history and a coordinator of the Tolerance education center, analyzed historical sources with pupils, organized film reviews and discussions, as well as encouraged pupils to create posters to mark the International Holocaust Remembrance Day. This creative project – to create posters to remember the International Holocaust Remembrance Day – is being implemented in the gymnasium every year.







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Two newly established Tolerance Educational Centres joined the network: **Kaunas Kazys Grinius progymnasium** and **Venta Gymnasium of the Akmene Region**.



During the conference "Jewish Children's Stories", a new Tolerance education center was established at Kaunas Kazys Grinius progymnasium.





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