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Subject: Thanks for joining: Yom HaShoah 2020
To:

On behalf of LaunchPad, the Australian Jewish Funders and the Jewish Holocaust Centre, we want to thank you all so much for being part of last night's special Yom HaShoah event, *Turning Memory into Action*.

It was a truly powerful and unique experience as the community came together (from behind our screens) to commemorate the 6 millions Jews who perished in the Holocaust.

A special thank you to Phillip Maisel, Suzy Zail and Julia Sussman for inspiring us with their stories and to Jennifer Levitt Maxwell for facilitating the powerful conversation. Thank you also to Arek Dybel for editing the pre-recorded video.

A further thank you to those who were nominated to light candles namely, Pauline Rockman OAM - co-president of the Jewish Holocaust Centre, Simone Szalmuk-Singer - co-chair of Australian Jewish Funders, Phil and Sue Lewis and their family - co-chair of the Jewish Holocaust Centres capital campaign, Helen Mahemoff - Board Director of the Jewish Holocaust Centre, Arek dybel - filmmaker and creative director at museum POLIN in Warsaw and Andrea Lipshutz – representing LaunchPad's ['Regeneration Melbourne'](#) Committee.

We received incredible feedback and would like to share some of the many comments of gratitude posted by you in the chat box:

"Thank you to everyone for coming here together as one beautiful community"
"So important for us to be able to find ways to come together tonight"
"Very beautiful I'm glad this memorable event was remembered once again"
"Great virtual initiative of unity and remembrance"
"Thanks for bringing us together and for the very special commemoration"
"Thank you to everyone for providing this wonderful opportunity to share in this most precious event"

As promised, please see below for the list of resources mentioned during last night's event:

- Click [here](#) to view the Phillip Maisel Testimonies Project and click [here](#) for the JHC's Online Collections of archives and testimonies
- Suzy Zail can be contacted via her [website](#). Her book *The Tattooed Flower* is available on kindle or from libraries. *The Wrong Boy*, *Alexander Altmann A10567* and *I Am Change* are available from bookshops or can be ordered online in book form or kindle from Booktopia, Amazon etc.
- Julia Sussman can be contacted via her [email](#) or via the Youth HEAR [Facebook page](#). Youth HEAR has launched its social media campaign commemorating Yom HaShoah. The campaign is #LightACandle. Click [here](#) to watch their campaign video. Youth HEAR invite you to #LightACandle, share the video, share your story, and join in saying Never Again.

- Click [here](#) to register to the JHC's online event on *Three Steps to Preserving your Family Archives*
- Click [here](#) to write a letter to a local Holocaust survivor via JHC's Survivor Connect program and click [here](#) for JHC's Facebook page.
- Museum of Inherited Memories, a virtual museum featuring contemporary mixed arts that respond to memories and stories of the Holocaust have launched on Instagram. Follow them [here](#).
- Check out [LaunchPad: Behind the Screens](#) for upcoming events and [subscribe to our newsletters](#) to stay up to date with future events
- ['Like' LaunchPad on Facebook](#) and ['Follow' LaunchPad on Instagram](#) to keep in the loop with our upcoming activities

Thank you again for taking the time to join us.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Regards,
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