



## Final Public Program of 2025

On December 4th, the child of two Holocaust survivors will take audiences on a moving musical journey through Vienna — from the city's golden age of culture to the dark years of persecution. Catherine Kautsky's performance will highlight the music that made Vienna world-renowned, before shifting to the hauntingly beautiful compositions of Jewish composers such as Schoenberg, Hanns Eisler, Gideon Klein, and Erich Wolfgang Korngold.

Blending live performance, evocative imagery, and deeply personal storytelling, Kautsky shares her family's journey from Vienna after the 1938 Anschluss to their new home in St. Louis. This unforgettable evening will illuminate the enduring power of music, memory, and resilience.

The night concludes with a reception with Ms. Kautsky in the Museum lobby complete with Viennese-inspired desserts!

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As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, we turn to thoughts of sharing food and memories with family and loved ones. While our museum tells a difficult history, we also highlight moments of hope and resilience through the stories of our Survivors and their families.

This serving spoon is a family heirloom of Charlotte Stern, who immigrated from Germany in 1938. As she was unable to bring money with her, she instead brought valuables, primarily wedding gifts of her mother, Frieda Gumprich Stern. This spoon is a Spaten design with “S.S.” initials on the handle. It was manufactured by Koch & Bergfeld, Bremen, Germany.

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## **Following the Road to Liberation**





Last month, the Museum led a group of dedicated volunteers, donors, and community leaders on our Road to Liberation journey; a 13-day immersive experience across three countries with 34 participants. Designed to connect St. Louis stories to the historical landscapes of Europe, the program traced a powerful path from Paris to Normandy, through Amsterdam, and culminating in Germany. Along the way, we explored the intertwined themes of liberation, Nazi oppression, D-Day heroism, camp imprisonment, and enduring Jewish resilience.

What made this journey truly transformative were the voices of St. Louis survivors, rescuers, and liberators whose stories echoed through the very places we visited. Participants heard testimony from St. Louis descendants of survivors and stood in spaces where families once lived, struggled, and rebuilt their lives. New friendships were forged, institutional partnerships strengthened, and the Museum deepened its knowledge and reach far beyond our walls.

This trip marks only the beginning of the Museum's expanding travel program as we continue to foster meaningful connections, broaden awareness, and extend the impact of our mission across the globe.

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## Upcoming Events



## Inside the Vault: Authenticity and Context in Museum Displays

December 10, 2025 | 1 pm



Learn more about this and other upcoming events at [STLHolocaustMuseum.org/Events](https://STLHolocaustMuseum.org/Events)

The final installment of this years members only "Inside the Vault" sessions will explore different aspects of what Authenticity means to Museums and Archives, utilizing objects and archival materials from our Collection.

[Register Here](#)

**RESILIENCE**

**A SANSEI SENSE OF LEGACY**

**January 17-April 4, 2026**

ST. LOUIS KAPLAN FELDMAN HOLOCAUST MUSEUM  
In honor of the survivors and the memory of the victims

St. Louis JACL  
Japanese American Citizens League

Join us for the opening weekend of "Resilience: A Sansei Sense of Legacy". On January 17 and 18, we will have additional activities for the whole family to enjoy, including tea ceremonies and origami.

Tickets will be available on December 15th.

**International Holocaust Remembrance Day 2026**

*St. Louis Symphony Orchestra presents  
Holocaust Composer Stories: Rosy Wertheim*

January 27, 2026 • 6:30 pm

ST. LOUIS KAPLAN FELDMAN HOLOCAUST MUSEUM  
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This program is made possible through the generous support of Carole and Ken Adashek in honor of Rachel Miller.

January 27, 2026 is International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Our 2026 program partners with St. Louis Symphony Orchestra as they debut the newest in the "Holocaust Composer Stories" series with the story of Rosy Wertheim.

[Register Here](#)

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