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HOLOCAUST MUSEUM & EDUCATION CENTER



JOURNEY TO AUSCHWITZ 2018 June 23 - July 1

Walk in the steps of **Eva Kor**, Holocaust survivor and forgiveness advocate

Join CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center for an extraordinary experience as we travel to Auschwitz with survivor Eva Mozes Kor. As we walk in her footsteps, you will hear Eva's firsthand account of her arrival at Auschwitz, separation from her family, experimentation by Nazi doctor Josef Mengele, the struggle for survival, and her and her twin sister Miriam's liberation by the Soviet Army on January 27, 1945.

"Complete" Trip Package: \$3900

- Economy-class flight from Chicago O'Hare airport
- Hotel accommodations
- Land transportation
- Daily breakfast
- Three lunches
- Five evening meals

"Land" Trip Package: \$2600

- Hotel accommodations
- Land transportation
- Daily breakfast
- Three lunches
- Five evening meals

**With this option you arrange and purchase your own travel to and from Poland*

Preliminary Itinerary includes:

- Staying in beautiful and historic Krakow
- Visit to the Wieliczka Salt Mine
- Tour of Krakow's Old Town, including Wawel Castle, St. Mary's Church, and Market Square
- Tour of the Jewish Quarter and Plaszow Memorial
- Tour of Auschwitz I and Auschwitz-Birkenau
- Free day to explore on your own

Please complete all registration materials and return them to CANDLES with a **\$750 nonrefundable deposit** to secure your spot. Registration will remain open until **March 14, 2018** or until capacity is full.

Register online at www.candlesholocaustmuseum.org/trips or mail in registration forms to CANDLES Holocaust Museum.

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About CANDLES and Eva Kor

By providing trip participants with an immersive experience in the historical setting of Auschwitz, we hope to foster powerful breakthroughs in awareness of our respective roles in creating a world based on hope, healing, respect, and responsibility. We want to help our trip participants become witnesses to history, so they can make the world a brighter place. We welcome participants from all walks of life to join us on this trip.

About CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center:

CANDLES is a 501(3)(c) non-profit organization that was founded in 1995 by Holocaust survivor Eva Mozes Kor in honor of her twin sister, Miriam. Our mission is to shine a light on the story of the Holocaust and Eva Kor to illuminate the world with hope, healing, respect, and responsibility.

Founded originally as CANDLES, Inc., an organization dedicated to finding surviving Mengele twins around the world, CANDLES has grown into a world-wide movement dedicated to engaging all people in our mission, fostering conversations about important local and global topics, and preserving survivor testimony for future generations.

You can connect with CANDLES online at www.candlesholocaustmuseum.org or on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram - [@candlesmuseum](#).

About Eva Kor:

Recipient of the 2017 Sagem award, the highest honor in the state of Indiana, Eva Mozes Kor is a survivor of the Holocaust, a forgiveness advocate, and a revered public speaker. With the driving message of “never give up” in mind, Eva has emerged through a life filled with trauma as a brilliant example of the power of the human spirit to overcome. She is a community leader, a champion of human rights, and tireless educator of young people. Even in her eighties, Eva has been traveling across the United States and Europe to share her message, in addition to leading hundreds of people on a journey to Auschwitz each year. Eva is one of the few surviving twins still sharing her personal account of the medical experiments supervised by Nazi doctor Josef Mengele at Auschwitz.

In addition to the importance of her account of the Holocaust from a historical perspective, Eva’s life lessons and message of survival and forgiveness touch the lives of thousands of people. In 1995, Eva chose to forgive the Nazis. She decided that they would no longer have power over her life. She describes forgiving the Nazis as an act of self-healing, self-liberation, and self-empowerment; forgiveness is not about the perpetrator, not about forgetting. It is one step toward repairing the world by helping victims free themselves from perpetrators and remove anger and hatred.

Eva is one of thirteen survivors featured in *New Dimensions in Testimony*, a new interactive technology created by USC Shoah Foundation to preserve survivor testimonies and continue the dialogue between Holocaust survivors and learners far into the future. Her story is documented in the award-winning film *Forgiving Dr. Mengele* and the popular young adult book *Surviving the Angel of Death: The True Story of a Mengele Twin in Auschwitz*. Her story of forgiveness is also recounted in the German book *Die Macht Des Vergebens (The Power of Forgiveness)*. Premiering in April 2018, Eva’s story will be the subject of a feature-length documentary, *Eva A-7063*.

In 1995, Eva opened CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center in Terre Haute, IN. The only Holocaust museum in Indiana, CANDLES is also the only organization in the world dedicated to the memory of the twin victims and survivors of medical experimentation at Auschwitz. Thousands of people, including many school groups, have visited CANDLES since it opened. Eva’s account of her survival of the Holocaust offers many relevant lessons on the dangers of hate speech and prejudice, and the importance of being an informed citizen. Eva’s message of healing reaches across the globe and across social, economic, and cultural boundaries.

You can connect with Eva Kor on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram - [@EvaMozesKor](#).

About the Trip

What's Included:

- Economy class flight from Chicago to Krakow ("complete" trip package only)
- Tour bus transportation from Terre Haute, IN to Chicago, IL
- Motor coach transportation in Krakow
- Daily breakfasts, three lunches, and most evening meals
- Hotel accommodations at a 5-star property
- Daily professional guide services
- Three days of Auschwitz touring, including fees, professional guides, and headsets
- Krakow city and Jewish Quarter tours, with headsets
- Wawel Cathedral and St. Mary's Basilica inside visits
- Tour of the medieval salt mines of Wieliczka
- An autographed paperback copy of Eva's book, *Surviving the Angel of Death*
- Tips on included services
- Memory Trail Multi Museum Pass (which includes entrance to the Eagle Pharmacy, Schindler Factory Museum, and the Gestapo Museum)

Preliminary 2018 Itinerary:

Saturday, June 23: Depart USA from Chicago

Sunday, June 24: Arrive in Krakow, get situated at hotel

Monday, June 25: Tour the Jewish Quarter and Plaszow Memorial, free afternoon

Tuesday, June 26: Tour Wieliczka Salt Mine, Krakow's Old Town, Wawel Cathedral, St. Mary's Basilica

Wednesday, June 27: Tour Auschwitz-Birkenau with guides and Eva

Thursday, June 28: Tour Auschwitz I with guides and Eva

Friday, June 29: Half day at each of the camps for further exploration and reflection

Saturday, June 30: Free day / options

Sunday, July 1: Return to USA

Trip Feedback:

We have led over 10 group tours to Auschwitz since 2005. Our surveys conducted during and after the trip indicate that 100% of all trip participants are "highly satisfied" with their experience.

"Sometimes there are experiences that you know, as they are happening, that they will change you. This is one of those experiences, and I thank all of you who were a part of my life-changing experience for sharing this moment in time with me."

"In so many ways, what I experienced on the trip to Poland can't be summarized in words. I arrived having questions, and having been given the experience to explore them is so meaningful, and will continue to inspire me as I figure out what I want to do, and how I want to leave my impression on the world."

What should I do to become part of this amazing experience?

- Complete pages 8-11 of the registration packet and submit to CANDLES.
- Submit the \$750 nonrefundable deposit with your registration. **Your registration will not be processed and your spot will not be reserved until your deposit has been received.**
- Submit a copy of your passport to CANDLES by April 21, 2018 ("complete" trip package only).
- **If you do not have a passport**, apply for it immediately. Those applying for a passport on or after February 20, 2018 should expedite your passport application and shipping in order to receive your documents by April 21, 2018.
- Pay your balance in full by March 14, 2018.
- Get ready for an amazing experience!

Guidelines for Participation

General Guidelines:

- Only one participant per registration form is allowed.
- Each participant will read and submit, either electronically or in writing, an agreement that releases CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center from liability to his/her person and belongings while on the trip.
- All participants under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Due to the graphic nature of some content on this trip, caution is recommended for participation of children age 14 and under. Travelers under age 10 are not permitted on this trip.
- All participants understand that CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center offers this trip as educational programming and is not a travel agency.

Participants:

- CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center reserves the right to refuse participation in its domestic and international trips to anyone who might present a physical, mental, or emotional threat to other participants/staff.
- All participants may be asked to undergo a limited criminal history background check from their state of residence and Indiana at their own expense.
- Trip participants are not allowed to use their access to other group members as a way to sell or solicit goods, products, or services to or from other group members.

Registration:

- To confirm your registration and secure your spot on the trip, a **nonrefundable deposit of \$750** per person is required with your registration. **Your spot will not be guaranteed until your deposit has been received by CANDLES.**
- Payment options:
 1. By mail to CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center, Attn: Auschwitz Trip, 1532 South Third Street, Terre Haute, IN 47802
 2. Call CANDLES at 812.234.7881 and pay by credit card over the phone (***Note: a 3% transaction fee will be added to all credit/debit card payments**)
 3. Complete the Credit Card Authorization Form (see page 13 of the registration packet) and mail to CANDLES (***Note: a 3% transaction fee will be added to all credit/debit card payments**)
- Your full trip balance is to be **paid in full by March 14, 2018.**
- After April 20, 2018, any change from the “complete” trip package to the “land” trip package will result in a \$100 fee, and your flight reservation will be forfeited.

Cancellation Policy:

- Cancellations received prior to close of business on March 14, 2018 will result in a cancellation fee of 50% of monies paid (not including the nonrefundable \$750 deposit).
- For cancellations received between March 15, 2018 and close of business on May 4, 2018: the “land” trip package is nonrefundable and nontransferable; for those booking the “complete” trip package, the economy class airfare of \$1300 (less a \$100 airline fee) can be refunded.
- Beginning May 5, 2018, all monies paid are nonrefundable and nontransferable.
- All merchandise sales are nonrefundable.

Passports:

- A passport valid through December 23, 2018 is required for international travel.
- Those booking the “complete” travel package are required to provide CANDLES with a copy of the passport you are traveling with no later than **April 20, 2018.**
- **Travelers who do not submit a passport copy by this date will be charged a fee of \$100, moved from the “complete” trip package to the “land” trip package, and will be responsible for booking his/her own international flights.**

Guidelines for Participation (cont.)

Trip Services:

- For updates to the itinerary or requests for information, CANDLES staff will use the contact information you provide. Registrants are asked to respond in a timely manner to all communications from CANDLES staff.
- Flight and hotel rewards for participants booking the “complete” trip package are not available.
- Trip packages are purchased as offered.
- Because hired services for the trip are contracted based on the number of total participants, registrants will not be permitted to switch from one trip to another in the event that a second trip becomes available.

Accommodations:

- A single/private room is available on a limited basis at an additional cost of \$575.
- Most rooms can accommodate a maximum of two (2) people. Some rooms may be available that accommodate three (3) occupants, but this must be requested in advance and availability is not guaranteed.

Travel Arrangements:

- Tour bus transportation from Terre Haute, IN to O’Hare International Airport in Chicago, IL is available to trip participants at no additional cost.
- Participants flying with CANDLES from O’Hare that are not riding the bus from Terre Haute will meet at the airline check-in counter.
- Participants not flying with CANDLES will submit their travel arrangements in advance for scheduling purposes.
- Participants not arriving and/or departing Krakow with CANDLES are responsible for their own transportation to and from the airport/train station. If you need assistance with these arrangements, please contact CANDLES for suggestions.

Trip Insurance:

- Actual trip insurance rates vary depending on state of residence and purchase of a single room supplement. Participants will be charged according to the insurance rate schedules provided on the CANDLES website.
- Trip insurance is highly recommended. For questions about trip insurance, please contact CANDLES for insurance resources and information.

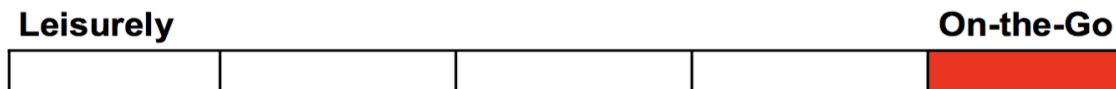
Media and Photos:

- All participants are asked to read and sign the CANDLES Publicity Release.
- Participants agree to the use of their image and likeness in trip media and photos while on the trip.
- Any use of participant images/likeness by third party individuals/organizations that are not affiliated with or approved by CANDLES will require additional permissions from the trip participants.

Tour Pacing Guide

Please read carefully before registering for the CANDLES Auschwitz trip.

The CANDLES staff welcomes people of all abilities and will do everything within our power to accommodate any need. However, due to differences in accessibility and standards outside of the United States, there are limitations as to what we are able to provide and accommodate. We are happy to provide more detail to help you determine your ability to participate in each part of the trip.



Please read the following carefully so you are fully informed about the physical expectations of this trip:

Walking/Terrain:

- This tour is considered an “on-the-go” pace, which means there will be a considerable amount of walking every day of the trip. Please consider this when choosing shoes.
- The city walking terrain consists of cobblestones or marble surfaces that can be uneven at times and slick when wet.
- The walking terrain in Auschwitz is mainly gravel/dirt or larger stones and can be rough and uneven at times.

Whole-Day Tours:

- A typical day begins with a 6:00/6:30am wake up call and an evening return time of 6:00/6:30pm (not including evening meals and presentations that take place after the evening return time).

Accessibility:

- Unlike the United States, Poland does not require their public locations to be ADA compliant. There are most likely curbs, areas with restricted or no automobile access, and stairs as the only access to upper-floor locations and lower floor/basement bathrooms. There is an elevator in the hotel.
- The bathtub/shower combination in European bathrooms is very tall, and in most cases, there are not “grab bars” for stability when entering/exiting. **There are a very limited number of handicapped rooms or shower-only rooms available, so if you require one of these rooms, please request immediately. Availability is not guaranteed.*

Tours:

- Both the Krakow city tour and Jewish Quarter tour are two-hour walking tours.
- The historic salt mine tour is also two hours in length. Access to the mine is via one of their historic mine elevators. Most walking surfaces in the mine are smooth, and the regular tour has steps that descend to each level of the mine. **A handicap version of the salt mine tour is available and must be reserved ASAP. Availability is not guaranteed.*
- We will spend three full days touring the Auschwitz camps. Each day we will walk between four-six miles. Although there are sporadic locations where one can sit to rest, there are no regularly spaced benches inside the camp grounds.

We do not wish to discourage participation in any way, so please feel free to contact us with questions you may have about tour pace, accessibility, or accommodations.