



Professor Ernst Borinski teaching in the Social Science Lab, Tougaloo College, MS, ca. 1960.
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Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow

Jewish Refugee Scholars at Black Colleges

Events are presented by the Exile Studies Program, Center for Humanities in an Urban Environment, and the Department of English at FIU in collaboration with the Coral Gables Museum

FIU is proud to announce a cooperative effort with the Coral Gables Museum highlighting the exhibition, ***Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow***, on loan from the Museum of Jewish Heritage New York from Oct. 5, 2014 - Jan. 11, 2015. The exhibit offers a narrative account of the experiences of exiled Jewish academics who fled Nazi Germany, found refuge and took teaching positions at historically black colleges and universities in the American South. To enhance the impact of this presentation, FIU is organizing a series of events — at the museum, on campus and within the community — that will highlight key aspects of this experience and celebrate the achievements of the teachers and students who participated in it.

Exhibit on Display
Oct. 5 - Jan. 11

Coral Gables Museum
285 Aragon Ave.
Coral Gables, FL

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Oct. 5** 1 p.m. **Exhibit Opening — *Beyond Swastika and Jim Crow: Jewish Refugee Scholars at Black Colleges***
Coral Gables Museum
285 Aragon Ave. | Coral Gables, Florida
Museum admission rates apply
- Oct. 12** 1 p.m. **Exhibit Tour**
FIU Professors Asher Milbauer and Michael Patrick Gillespie will lead a tour of the exhibit, offering the chance to discuss its impact and significance.
Coral Gables Museum
285 Aragon Ave. | Coral Gables, Florida
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- Oct. 19** 4 p.m. **Panel Discussion — From Swastika to Jim Crow: Lessons and Legacies**
Professor Emeritus Guy Stern (Wayne State University), Professor Alan Berger (Florida Atlantic University), playwright Jacqueline Lawton, and Professor Tometro Hopkins (FIU) will examine the evolution in American thinking about the experiences highlighted in the exhibit. Moderated by Michael Patrick Gillespie.
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- Oct. 20** 7 p.m. **Staged Reading of *The Hampton Years* and Q&A Session**
Focusing on the pivotal years at The Hampton Institute, Virginia during WWII, the play explores the development of great African-American artists John Biggers and Samella Lewis under the tutelage of Austrian Jewish refugee painter and educator Viktor Lowenfeld. Presented by the FIU Department of Theater. Directed by Phillip M. Church.
GableStage at the Biltmore
1200 Anastasia Ave. | Coral Gables, Florida
- Oct. 21** 7 p.m. ***The Ritchie Boys: German Jewish Refugee Soldiers and the War Effort***
A documentary film screening and discussion at the Jewish Museum of Florida-FIU led by Professor Emeritus Guy Stern (Wayne State University), himself a Ritchie boy.
Jewish Museum of Florida-FIU
301 Washington Ave. | Miami Beach, Florida
- Oct. 23** 7 p.m. **Guy Stern Lecture — *The State of Exile Studies***
An analytic review, by Guy Stern, the FIU/Betsy Exile Studies Scholar in Residence and Professor Emeritus at Wayne State University, with personal reflections of important issues and trends in the discipline from its inception to the present.
FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus, GL 220
11200 S.W. 8th St. | Miami, Florida
- Oct. 24** 9 a.m. **Professional Development Workshop for Miami-Dade Public School Teachers**
The day-long workshop is open exclusively by registration to Miami-Dade school teachers. FIU Professors Asher Milbauer and Michael Patrick Gillespie will lead the discussions, with special presentations by Professor Donald Cunnigen (University of Rhode Island) and Professor Emeritus Martin Tucker (Long Island University). The workshop will offer strategies for integrating issues associated with the exhibit into school curriculums.
Admission restricted to Miami-Dade teachers who register for the workshop through the Miami-Dade schools professional development program.
Coral Gables Museum
285 Aragon Ave. | Coral Gables, Florida
- Oct. 27** 7 p.m. **Donald Cunnigen Lecture — *The Academic Experience of Exile***
University of Rhode Island Professor Donald Cunnigen, who as an undergraduate studied under some of the German Jewish academics featured in the exhibit, will discuss the impact of that experience on his career and on the academic environment of higher education in America.
FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus, MARC Pavilion
11200 S.W. 8th St. | Miami, Florida
- Nov. 13** 6 p.m. **Paul George Lecture — *The Jewish Experience in South Florida***
Professor Paul George (History Department, Miami Dade College) will present a professional and personal account of the Jewish Community of Miami in the 20th century.
Coral Gables Museum
285 Aragon Ave. | Coral Gables, Florida
Museum admission rates apply
- Nov. 16** 3 p.m. **Interfaith Panel Discussion — *Beyond Swastika to Jim Crow: A Black-Jewish Dialogue***
Featured panelists include Rabbi Solomon Schiff, former director of the Greater Miami Rabbinical Association; Ms. Bea Hines, religion columnist for The Miami Herald; Rev. Gregory Pope, instructor of Religious Studies (FIU); and Oren Stier, associate professor and director of Holocaust Studies (FIU). Moderated by Nathan Katz, distinguished professor and director of Jewish Studies (FIU).
Coral Gables Museum
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- Nov. 19** 7 p.m. **Film Screening of *Weapons of the Spirit*, directed by Pierre Sauvage**
Defying the Nazis and the French government that was collaborating with the Nazis, the inhabitants of the small protestant village of Le Chambon-sur-Lignon provided a safe haven throughout the war for whoever knocked on their door. Led by their pastor, Andre Trocme, the villagers, most of them descendants of Huguenots, helped save the lives of nearly 5,000 Jewish people.
FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus, GL 220
11200 S.W. 8th St. | Miami, Florida
- Dec. 14** 1 p.m. **Film Screening of *Orchestra of Exiles*, directed by Josh Aronson**
The documentary details the extraordinary story of Bronislav Huberman, a renowned Polish violinist, who rescued nearly 1,000 world-famous Jewish musicians from Nazi Germany and other European countries and established the Palestine Symphony Orchestra that would become the highly celebrated Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. His valiant efforts were aided by Arturo Toscanini and Albert Einstein. To purchase tickets, call 786-385-9689. Museum admission included with the ticket price.
Coral Gables Art Cinema
260 Aragon Ave. | Coral Gables, Florida

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