
Guide to Renata Polt oral history interview OHP.3902

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Title: Renata Polt oral history interview

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Physical Description: 0.1 Linear feet comprising one videotape with a total running time of 1:37 and one transcript of 59 pages

Date: 1996 February 5

Abstract: This collection comprises one videotape with accompanying transcript of an oral history interview with Renata Polt conducted by the Holocaust Oral History Project on February 5, 1996.

Creator: Polt, Renata

Creator: Ayres, Gene

Creator: Simplicio, Sean

Scope and Contents note

This collection comprises one videotape with accompanying transcript of an oral history interview with Renata Polt. The interview was conducted by Gene Ayres on behalf of the Holocaust Oral History Project on February 5, 1996. Renata Polt is a Holocaust survivor.

The interview describes Ms. Polt's childhood in Ustek, Czechoslovakia; her family's religious life; and her family's decision to leave for Lucerne, Switzerland in September 1938. She describes her experiences in Switzerland, the family's journey to Cuba in the spring of 1939, and her experiences there. She discusses immigration to the United States in the fall of 1940, her education, and her life in America. She describes her understanding of the events of the Holocaust as a child, and the fates of other family members.

Conditions Governing Access note

There are no restrictions to access for this collection.

Conditions Governing Use note

There are no restrictions to use for this collection.

Existence and Location of Copies note

Master copies of the oral history interview are located at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, D.C.

Preferred Citation note

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Related Archival Materials note

Renata Polt is the daughter of Elizabeth Polt and the sister of John Polt, also interviewed. See Elizabeth Polt oral history interview - OHP.3933 and John Polt oral history interview - OHP.3970.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

Holocaust survivors -- United States

Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945) -- Personal narratives

Jewish families -- Czechoslovakia

Jewish refugees -- Cuba

Jewish refugees -- Switzerland

Jewish women in the Holocaust

United States -- Emigration and immigration
