Guide to Renata Polt oral history interview OHP.3902

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Title: Renata Polt oral history interview
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Contributing Institution: Tauber Holocaust Library
Language of Material: English
Storage Unit: OHT Box #32
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
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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