

Presentation  
by  
Dr. Natan Kellerman

**The Multigenerational Trauma of Holocaust Survivors**

**Monday, November 4, 2013  
Marjorie Barrick Museum Auditorium  
12 Noon – 1:30 p.m.**

Dr. Natan Kellermann is a former executive director and chief psychologist of AMCHA, an Israeli-based international organization providing support to Holocaust survivors and their descendants. Its main goal is to create a framework for mutual aid, memory processing and grief resolution, as well as a place where survivors and their families could feel at home and be understood. Extensive research has shown that many Holocaust survivors still struggle with the acute distress from the traumatic events they experienced and that their anxieties can be passed on through generations. Drawing on the latest research in this area, Dr. Kellermann shows the cumulative effect of psychological, cultural, biological and family factors behind the transgenerational transmission of trauma. He uses his extensive experience with psycho- and sociodrama to show the effective ways of dealing with the posttraumatic stress disorder.

Dr. Kellermann is author of numerous studies, including the acclaimed book, *Holocaust Trauma: Psychological Effects and Treatment*, where he surveys the leading theories in this area and assesses the most promising treatment alternatives. Dr. Kellermann has lectured on Holocaust trauma at the International School for Holocaust Studies in Yad Vashem. He was the recipient of the 1993 Zerka Moreno award and the 1998-2000 chair of the psychodrama-section of the International Association for Group Psychotherapy and Group Processes.

The presentation will take place on Monday, November 4, 12 Noon – 1:30 p.m., at the Marjorie Barrick Museum Auditorium. Professor Simon Gottschalk will moderate the discussion. For further information please contact Dr. Dmitri Shalin, 702-895-3322.

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