

Kristallnacht Interfaith Commemoration

Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 7:00 PM

One-Time Screening | Free and open to the public



AN OPEN DOOR: Holocaust Haven in the Philippines

An Open Door: Holocaust Haven in the Philippines is a feature-length film on the uplifting story of how this U.S. Territorial island group rescued more than 1,300 European Jews, fleeing the Holocaust prior to 1941. Through the actions of their president, Manuel L. Quezon, in 1939, the Filipinos opened their doors to the refugees. Their surviving relatives now number more than 11,000.

The survivors remember the generosity and hospitality of the Filipinos. In an ironic twist, the Japanese invaded the land on December 8, 1941, the day after Pearl Harbor. The German Jews were considered to be just Germans by the invaders and were not, for the most part, rounded up and placed in camps. Those who remained free were able to give help and comfort to their imprisoned friends.

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*This is the 29th annual Kristallnacht Interfaith Commemoration,
sponsored to unite the community against prejudice.*

**Page Hall, University at Albany downtown campus
135 Western Avenue, Albany, New York***

***Masks required. Subject to change dependent on COVID-19 protocols.**

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