Holocaust Commemoration in Victoria: The Politics of Memory

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5:00-6:00 p.m.
David Turpin Building, Room A110

Who has commemorated the Holocaust in Victoria, and why? Motivated by these questions, Jordan Stanger-Ross has interviewed key figures in Holocaust remembrance and education in this city since the 1980s. He finds that the reasons for commemoration vary across time and among individuals. Rather than a single community remembering a shared history of violence, Holocaust commemoration is a story of diverse people and motives. In this talk, he presents his ongoing efforts to puzzle through the rationale behind public engagement of the Shoah.

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