The Defying Hatred Project presents

Victor Reinstein

“Tell Them Not to Hate” — Words of Witness and Sacred Imperatives

Sunday, January 26th
2:00 to 5:00 pm
Victoria Jewish Community Centre
3636 Shelbourne St

In the early 1980s, Rabbi Victor Reinstein founded Holocaust commemoration in Victoria. In recognition of International Holocaust Remembrance Day, he looks back upon those early events, when the Victoria Community included many survivors. “Their words,” Rabbi Reinstein recalls, “seared into our collective consciousness . . . we sought to honor our survivors. In the process, we were strengthened and given hope.” Following his lecture, members of the University of Victoria’s Defying Hatred Project will share the results of their research on communal memory, history, and resilience.

Rabbi Victor Hillel Reinstein is the founding rabbi of Nehar Shalom Community Synagogue in Jamaica Plain, MA. He was the rabbi of Congregation Emanu-El in Victoria, B.C. from 1982-1998. Drawing from Torah and Jewish life the “vision and the way,” he seeks at the core of his work to help fulfill God’s hope for a world of justice and peace.