

Volunteer Description: Speakers Bureau & Virtual Field Trip (VFT) Support | 2021-2022 School Year



Two of the Holocaust Center for Humanity's cornerstone education programs are the [Speakers Bureau](#) of Holocaust survivors and their descendants, and [Field Trips](#) at its downtown Seattle museum. This initiative will bring a cohort of volunteers into a deeper level of engagement with both of these programs. For the Speakers Bureau, we seek volunteers to support presentations to both in-person and virtual groups. For Field Trips, we would like volunteers to help with virtual visits -- what we call VFTs.

Why: Our speakers and field trip-leading docents have a variety of capabilities, needs, and wants -- from very self-sufficient folks, to those who benefit from assistance like screen-sharing (virtual), or a car ride and Powerpoint set-up (in-person speaker talk). Given expected increase in demand for *both* mediums (virtual and in-person) of Field Trips and speaking, the Center is excited to enlist motivated volunteers in order to deliver high-quality programs to all groups that request one.

What: You may choose to assist with virtual Speaker presentations, in-person Speaker presentations, or VFTs -- or all of those programs.

Virtual Speaker and VFT support may include:

- hosting virtual meetings on Zoom
- tech checks with a speaker, docent or educator
- screen-sharing a PowerPoint or other content
- introducing a speaker or docent
- interacting with audiences via chat
- moderating Q&A sessions

In-person Speaker support may include:

- driving a speaker to an engagement
- helping set up a PowerPoint or advance its slides
- liaising between speaker and school/institution staff
- introducing the speaker
- assisting with Q&A sessions

When: Initial training for volunteers will take place in early September 2021. Following that, new volunteers will be on-boarded on a rolling basis. Volunteers will be given the opportunity to "shadow" as many speaking engagements or VFTs they would like before 1-1.5 hour volunteer shifts will mostly occur on weekdays, 8 AM-3 PM, from September 2021- June 2022. We ask volunteers to commit to at least 10 shifts (10 hours) in the school

year.

Where: While Zoom speaker and VFT support can be done from the volunteer's home, in-person Speaker support is in a variety of locations in the Puget Sound region. Mileage or other reimbursement for travel in a volunteer capacity will be provided by the Holocaust Center. Training and events may also take place at the Holocaust Center for Humanity in downtown Seattle.

Who: Volunteers for these roles should have:

- Familiarity with Zoom, including hosting meetings and screen-sharing (if choosing the virtual support option)
- Good working knowledge of PowerPoint
- Patience and flexibility
- Wonderful interpersonal skills with folks of all ages and backgrounds
- Awareness of basic Holocaust history -- but no need to be an expert
- A vested interest in helping fulfill the Holocaust Center's [mission](#)
- Ability to pass a Washington State background check
- Ages 18 and older are eligible

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