

With My Own Eyes

About the Film

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The Holocaust Center has produced a short educational film that weaves the testimonies of Washington State Holocaust survivors with contemporary issues of bullying, bystanders, and world genocides. *With My Own Eyes* is designed for classroom use in schools throughout the Pacific Northwest. The goal of the documentary is to introduce the viewer to the multitude of stories that make up the Holocaust and to connect these stories to our world today.

The Holocaust Center staff decided to take on this project after searching for video resources like this one. With the help of videographer Don Porter, Holocaust survivors in our local community, and generous supporters, we've had the opportunity to produce such a resource. *With My Own Eyes* will premiere at the Voices for Humanity Luncheon.

With My Own Eyes focuses on the stories of three survivors with three very different experiences:

- Steve Adler was a young boy in Berlin, Germany who was sent to England on the Kindertransport in 1939.
- Henry Friedman, born in Brody, Poland, survived the war in hiding.
- Magda Schaloum was born in Győr, Hungary and was deported to Auschwitz in 1944.



The 20 minute educational documentary is now available to educators free of charge. For grades 7 and up. To order the film, email ilanak@wsherc.org with "With My Own Eyes" in the subject line. Include your name, school or organization, and complete mailing address.

With My Own Eyes joins the Holocaust Center's resources: teaching trunks, speakers bureau, artifacts, teacher trainings, library, exhibits and community programs.