

Community night of reading honors Elie Wiesel

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On Sunday, January 29, the Museum of Jewish Heritage — A Living Memorial to the Holocaust joins with the National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene to honor the memory of Nobel Prize laureate Elie Wiesel, who died on July 2. It will include a community reading of his landmark memoir, “Night,” which recounts his experience in German concentration camps with his father during the Holocaust. This reading coincides with International Holocaust Remembrance Day on January 27.

The reading — a first of its kind for the museum — will take place in the museum’s Edmond J. Safra Hall, beginning at 3 p.m., and will continue until the last page is read at approximately 8. More than 50 notable readers are scheduled to participate; they include Tovah Feldshuh, Abraham H. Foxman, Joel Grey, David Hyde Pierce, Daniel Libeskind, Itzhak Perlman, and Dr. Ruth Westheimer. The readings will be done primarily in English, with some speaking in French and Yiddish. The museum is at 36 Battery Place in lower Manhattan

From noon to 2, before the reading of “Night” begins, other Holocaust survivors will share their testimonies in the museum’s core exhibition.

The event will be live streamed on the museum’s website, at www.mjhnyc.org/night. Live streaming is made possible through a community engagement partnership with Battery Park City Authority. Support is provided by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, and Moment magazine is the media sponsor.

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