Fortunoff Video Archive and USC Shoah Foundation exchange collection access

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Thanks to a new partnership between the USC Shoah Foundation Center for Advanced Genocide Research and the Fortunoff Video Archive at Yale University, researchers at both institutions can now access each other’s extensive Holocaust testimony collections.

Under the agreement, Yale University is now one of 95 access sites worldwide where the USC Shoah Foundation Visual History Archive is available. Yale University is the only institution in Connecticut where the interviews of the USC Shoah Foundation’s Archive are accessible in their entirety.

And USC becomes the first location on the West Coast to join 24 other institutions, including universities, museums, and research institutes, to offer access to the Fortunoff Video Archive.

"A pioneer in the videotaping of Holocaust survivor testimonies, the Fortunoff Video Archive is an invaluable resource for those who study the Holocaust," said Wolf Gruner, Founding Director of the USC Shoah Foundation Center for Advanced Genocide Research, Shapell-Guerin Chair in Jewish Studies and Professor of History. "Exchanging full access to our archives marks an important and exciting milestone not only for our two institutions but for academic research, as scholars at all levels of inquiry will benefit tremendously. This is an exciting time for us as we embark on this new partnership and expand the reach of the voices of all the survivors who shared their stories in our two archives."

For more information see the complete press release:


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