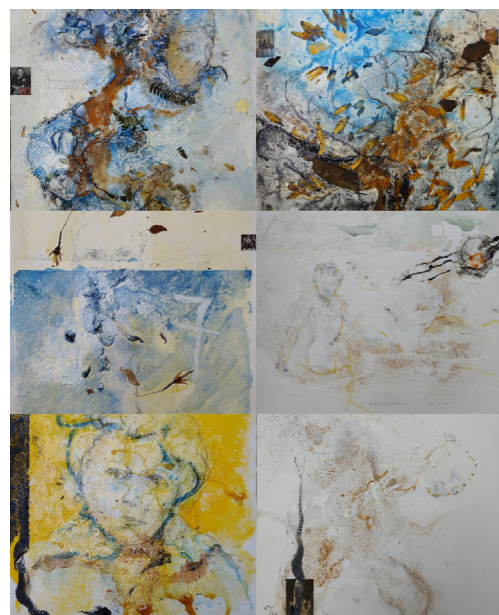


What actions have others taken?

After marking HMD, students at **Eden Girls' School, Waltham Forest**, created a banner for the front of their school to welcome refugees in their area, and brought donations of clothes, books and toys for recently arrived refugee families. These were distributed by Hackney Migrant Centre, Care4Calais East London and Waging Peace.



Students at Eden Girls' School



Artwork by Leslie Nicholl

Artist Leslie Nicholl created a collection of 18 paintings which were exhibited for HMD. Afterwards he displayed them as part of an exhibition at the Engine room Gallery in Belfast, in collaboration with the Red Cross, and with all sale proceeds going towards supporting Ukrainian refugees in Northern Ireland. People from across Northern Ireland contributed just over £20,000 thanks to the determination and energy of Mr Cliff Brooks MBE, the director of the Engine Room Gallery Belfast, and all the gallery artists.

Leslie dedicated his artworks to the memory of Boris Romanchenko, who survived the Holocaust only to be killed by Russian artillery fire in his home in Kharkiv.

95% of people surveyed said they had taken or planned to take action as a result of marking HMD*

* Survey of HMD 2024 activity organisers

Find out more and support HMDT



To find out more about HMD, learn about the 10 stages of genocide and our vision, scan the QR code to the left

To make a donation to support the work of HMDT scan the QR code to the right



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About Holocaust Memorial Day

Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) – the international day on 27 January to remember the 6 million Jews murdered during the [Holocaust](#), and millions more people murdered through the [Nazi persecution of other groups](#) and in the more recent [genocides recognised by the UK government](#). We also mark the [genocide in Darfur](#).

HMD is for everyone. Each year across the UK, we bring people together to learn more about the past, empathise more with people today, and work to build a better future.

The Holocaust Memorial Day Trust

Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT) is the charity, established by the Government, to promote and support Holocaust Memorial Day in the UK.

HMDT encourages remembrance in a world scarred by prejudice and systematic, targeted persecution. We bring people together to learn more, empathise more, and do more.



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How you can get involved in HMD

Here are just a few ideas about how you can get involved with HMD:

- **Watch the HMD 2025 UK Ceremony:** hmd.org.uk/ukhmd
- **Be part of the Light the Darkness national moment** at 8pm on 27 January: hmd.org.uk/lightthedarkness
- **Organise an HMD activity:** hmd.org.uk/organise
- **Find an HMD activity to attend on** HMDT's nationwide map: hmd.org.uk/map
- **Take action** against prejudice and systematic, targeted persecution: See HMDT's 'take action' tips overleaf and at: hmd.org.uk/takeaction
- **Sign up to HMDT's newsletter:** hmd.org.uk/subscribe
- **Take part online** in a variety of different ways: hmd.org.uk/hmdonline



Take action for a better future

Has marking Holocaust Memorial Day made you want to take action to prevent prejudice and systematic, targeted persecution? Read on for advice on what you can do now to help prevent persecution here in the UK and around the world. There are actions that take five minutes, one hour, and longer, depending on how much time you have.

'Holocaust Memorial Day inspired me to be an activist in anti-genocide movements and to understand the value in talking to and listening to survivors.'

- Robyn Bradbury, who watched one of HMDT's UK HMD Online Commemorations

We know that people who mark Holocaust Memorial Day do more in their local communities as a result. Now you have learned about the Holocaust and genocides that followed, what can you do to help create a better future? Here are HMDT's top tips on actions you can take right now.



If you have five minutes...

1. Follow Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT) on social media and share their resources and posts to help raise awareness.

 [HMD_UK](#)  [HMD.UK](#)  [holocaustmemorialdaytrust](#)

2. Educate yourself about what hate crime is so that you can recognise and report it when you witness someone being targeted. [report-it.org.uk](#) is a good place to start.

3. Report any targeted discrimination and hatred you witness on social media, within or outside the UK - most social media platforms have the option to report posts and comments that breach their community rules and policies.

4. Subscribe to the HMDT newsletter to learn how you can get more involved in Holocaust Memorial Day. You will be kept up to date on projects, events and competitions relating to HMD throughout the year: [hmd.org.uk/subscribe](#)

If you have one hour...

1. Educate yourself about situations around the world at risk of genocide by reading articles and books and watching documentaries. Raise awareness in-person and online. The Aegis Trust and Genocide Watch websites are a good place to start.



Yazidi people escape after coming under attack by ISIL (Photo by Sebastian Meyer/Corbis via Getty Images)

2. Download the HMDT letter template at [hmd.org.uk/mpletter](#) and **write to your MP to tell them about the importance of marking HMD** and encourage them to find out about HMD activities that happened in their constituency.

3. Support those who may not usually have the opportunity to be heard to tell their stories. For example, start a neighbourhood Whatsapp group to bring local people together; support everyone in your work meetings and social groups to be heard.

4. Download and familiarise yourself with a diversity and inclusion calendar and consider how you could use this in your workplace to help others feel included and understood.

If you have more time...

1. Volunteer at a local charity supporting refugees or Holocaust and genocide survivors. Find out about in-person and online volunteering opportunities: [doit.life](#)

2. Research situations in the UK and the wider world and consider what you can do to help e.g. raise money, promote a cause, arrange a collection of clothes or toiletries for people in need, sign petitions.

3. Plan to organise an HMD activity in your community next year: [hmd.org.uk/getinvolved](#)
How could you create opportunities for people from different backgrounds to come together for meaningful interactions throughout the year?
What could you do in your community, workplace or school to bring people together?

4. Join a local campaigning group promoting human rights and fighting discrimination and persecution.