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## Best Selling Author Helen Epstein to Lecture at Jewish Museum Milwaukee Event

MILWAUKEE, Wisconsin— Best selling author Helen Epstein will provide a lecture at 11:30 a.m. on Oct. 7 in Milwaukee in conjunction with the Jewish Museum Milwaukee's Stitching History From the Holocaust exhibit.

Born in Czechoslovakia in 1947, Epstein is the author of six widely translated books on the Holocaust comprised of writing uniquely informed by her family's history. In her acclaimed memoir, "Where She Came From: A Daughter's Search for Her Mother's History," Epstein explores pre-WWII Prague through her mother's experience as a dressmaker. Hear about this riveting account, which has many parallels to Hedwig Strnad's life and work. Strnad's work is the focus of the Stitching History From The Holocaust exhibit (learn more at [StitchingHistory.org](http://StitchingHistory.org)).

Epstein is an accomplished writer whose titles include "Children of the Holocaust: Conversations with Sons and Daughters of Survivors" and "Under A Cruel Star: A Life in Prague 1941-1968." Her work has appeared in The New York Times, Washington Post, Boston Globe and many magazines. She grew up in Manhattan and now lives outside Boston where she is the co-founder with her husband of, Plunkett Lake Press, an ebook publisher for classics of Jewish non-fiction.

The lunch and lecture, with dietary laws observed, cost \$25. It will be held next door to the museum in the Rubenstein Pavilion at the Jewish Home & Care Center, 1414 N. Prospect Ave. To register or for more information e-mail [programs@jewishmuseummilwaukee.org](mailto:programs@jewishmuseummilwaukee.org), call 414-390-5730 or visit [www.JewishMuseumMilwaukee.org](http://www.JewishMuseumMilwaukee.org).

### **About the Jewish Museum Milwaukee**

*The Jewish Museum Milwaukee is dedicated to preserving and presenting the history of the Jewish people in southeastern Wisconsin and celebrating the continuum of Jewish heritage and culture. The history of American Jews is rooted in thousands of years of searching for freedom and equality. We are committed to sharing this story and the life lessons it brings with it, so that we may enhance the public's awareness and appreciation of Jewish life and culture.*

### **About the Milwaukee Jewish Federation**

*For more than 100 years, the Milwaukee Jewish Federation has been dedicated to building a strong Jewish community. We distributed \$20 million last year to Jewish and non-Jewish organizations locally and around the world, and manage philanthropy through our \$150 million Jewish Community Foundation.*

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