



CONFRONTING

THE NAZIS

Reflections on the
Forms and Dilemmas
of Resistance

OCTOBER 4-5, 2018, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

On the occasion of the 75th anniversary of the Rosenstrasse protests in February 1943 by non-Jewish women demanding the release of their Jewish husbands rounded up for their dispatch from Berlin, this conference examines different forms of resistance to the “Final Solution” policy in Germany and Nazi-occupied Europe.

The keynote by Marion Kaplan will analyse the predicament of Jews under the Hitler dictatorship and how far the question of gender is significant in this larger context. The first panel will then

look at problems of the persecution, resistance and rescue of Jewish and other minorities and more recent research on the risks and dilemmas involved during the Nazi occupation of Europe. The second panel will deal with more detailed examples of clandestine rescue operations in Eastern Europe, France, and Germany, highlighting the differences between rule and resistance within Germany and the Nazi occupied territories. The concluding Round Table will return to the larger problems of life under a brutal Fascist dictatorship.

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PROGRAM

Deutsches Haus, Columbia University, 420 West 116th Street

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2018

5:30 p.m. Welcome by the Director of Deutsches Haus

Introduction of the speaker by

William Weitzer, Director of the Leo Baeck
Institute, New York

Keynote Lecture: **Marion Kaplan**,
New York University

How gender mattered during the Holocaust

6:45 Reception

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2018

9:45 a.m. Registration

10:00 Welcome and Introduction by **Volker Berghahn**,

Columbia University, and New York German
Consul-General, **David Gill**

10:15-12:00 PANEL I:

Chair: **Elisheva Carlebach**, Columbia University

Nathan Stoltzfus, Florida State University
*What do we think about when we think
about the Rosenstrasse protest?*

Mordecai Paldiel, Yeshiva University
(previously Yad Vashem) *Yad Vashem and the
honoring of German rescuers: some case issues*
Paula Schwartz, Middlebury College
Women's Street Protests in Occupied France

12:00-1:00 Lunch Break

1:15-2:45 PANEL II:

Chair: **Mark Anderson**, Columbia University

Renate Bridenthal, Brooklyn College
*A life-generation bond of remembrance
between rescuers and rescued*

Anne Nelson, Columbia University
*Das Naziparadies: public protests of the Red
Orchestra & other resisters*

Stanlee Stahl, Jewish Foundation for the
Righteous, New York
*Holocaust survivors and their rescuers in
Eastern Europe*

2:45-3:00 Coffee Break

3:00-4:00 Roundtable on *Mixed marriages and the
Rosenstrasse Women Protest*

Moderator: **Mordecai Paldiel**

Susanne Heim, Freiburg University

Nathan Stoltzfus, Florida State University

4:15 End of Conference

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