



Public program

in association with travelling exhibition and visiting scholars – March 2018



An exhibition developed by the German Association for Psychiatry, Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics (DGPPN), in cooperation with the Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe and the Topography of Terror Foundation.

“registered, persecuted, annihilated: The sick and disabled under National Socialism” will be on display at the Sydney Jewish Museum 9–25 March, 2018.

The exhibition will be hosted by the [Sydney Jewish Museum](#) in partnership with Sydney Health Ethics. It is supported by the sponsorship of private donors and a grant from Sydney Health Ethics. The exhibition will be opened at the Museum by former DGPPN President and exhibition co-initiator, Professor Frank Schneider, and Australian Human Rights Commission President, Professor Rosalind Croucher.

This part of history provides important points of reflection on areas in bioethics and human rights. The following program of public events will be held during the exhibition and the visits of official guests, Professor Frank Schneider and Dr Astrid Ley, who are in Australia as guests of [Sydney Health Ethics](#).

Program of public events

Wednesday 7 March 2018, 6-7.30pm

[Working the Past: psychiatry and Aboriginal Australia](#)

Public forum with Prof Steve Larkin, Prof Alan Rosen, Prof Frank Schneider, Ms Joanne Selfe, and Dr Robyn Shields, held in partnership with Sydney Ideas, Sydney Law School, Darlington.

Thursday 8 March 2018, 2-4pm

[Mental Illness and the Holocaust: Crime and Reconciliation](#)

Public lecture with Prof Frank Schneider, hosted by the Mental Health Commission of NSW, at the Sydney Jewish Museum, Darlinghurst.

Tuesday 13 March 2018, 6.30-8pm

[LGBTI human rights](#)

Public lecture with Mr Morgan Carpenter, the Hon Michael Kirby, Dr Justin Koonan, Dr Astrid Ley, Prof Jenni Millbank, and others, held in partnership with ACON, at the Eternity Playhouse, Darlinghurst.

Wednesday 14 March 2018, 1-2pm

[Prelude to the Holocaust: the “T4 Special Campaign” against Jewish patients](#)

Public lecture by Dr Astrid Ley, at the Sydney Jewish Museum, Darlinghurst.

Thursday 15 March 2018, 12-1pm

[Inmate physicians in Nazi concentration camps](#)

Research seminar with Dr Astrid Ley, Sydney Health Ethics "Conversation" series, Medical Foundation Building, Camperdown.

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Program of public events (continued)

Thursday 15 March 2018, 5-6.30pm

The work of the Sachsenhausen Memorial and Museum

Public seminar with Dr Astrid Ley, hosted by the [Dept of Hebrew, Biblical and Jewish Studies](#) and the [Masters of Museums and Heritage program](#), at the University of Sydney, RC Mills 210, Darlington.

Sunday 18 March 2018, 4-6pm

"Austerlitz" screening and discussion

Screening of documentary "Austerlitz" and panel discussion with Dr Avril Alba, Dr Astrid Ley, and A/Prof Michael Robertson, at the Sydney Jewish Museum, Darlinghurst.

Thursday 22 March 2018, 6-8pm

"Lives worth living": Social memory, social action, and contemporary disability advocacy

Public seminar with Ms Nastasia Campanella, Dr Laura Davy, Ms Rosemary Kayess, and Ms Ayah Wehbe, at the Sydney Jewish Museum, Darlinghurst.

Please note these event details may be subject to change.

Exhibition summary

More than 400,000 people living with psychiatric illnesses, intellectual and physical disabilities were forcibly sterilised and more than 200,000 were murdered in Germany and occupied territories between 1933 and 1945. These crimes were perpetrated by the National Socialist state through the agency of medical, nursing and legal professionals.

Following on from the 2010 official apology for the crimes of psychiatrists under the National Socialist regime, the German Association for Psychiatry, Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics (DGPPN), in cooperation with the Foundation Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe and the Topography of Terror Foundation, developed an exhibition which focuses on this aspect of history. The exhibition was opened in the Deutscher Bundestag on 27 January 2014. Find more information:

www.dgppn.de/exhibition

For more information:

Sydney Health Ethics

www.sydney.edu.au/medicine/sydney-health-ethics/

Sydney Jewish Museum

www.sydneyjewishmuseum.com.au

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Official guests

Professor Frank Schneider is a specialist in psychiatry, psychotherapy and psychological psychotherapy. He has held positions in Tübingen, Philadelphia and Düsseldorf and since 2003 has been head of Department of Psychiatry, Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics at the University Hospital RWTH Aachen, Germany. He is Vice Dean at the School of Medicine, RWTH Aachen University, and director of the JARA-BRAIN research institute. He is the former President of the DGPPN and co-initiator of the traveling exhibition "registered, persecuted, annihilated: The Sick and the Disabled under National Socialism".

Dr Astrid Ley is deputy head of Sachsenhausen Memorial and Museum, the site of the former Nazi concentration camp near Berlin, Germany. She is a lecturer at Freie Universität Berlin and member in the research committees of several German memorials in medical crimes during National Socialism. Astrid Ley completed her PhD in modern history at the University of Erlangen (Germany) with a dissertation on the involvement of German doctors in the Nazi compulsory sterilization program. She curated the permanent Sachsenhausen exhibitions "Medicine and Crime" and "Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp 1936-1945". She set up a new Euthanasia Memorial at Brandenburg an der Havel and curated its permanent exhibition.

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These donations have also supported a number of events in this program, along with the generous material and in-kind support of event partners [ACON](#), the [Dept of Hebrew, Biblical and Jewish Studies](#) and the [Masters of Museums and Heritage program](#), the [Mental Health Commission of NSW](#), and [Sydney Ideas](#).

Professor Schneider and Dr Ley's visits to Sydney are supported by a grant from Sydney Health Ethics.



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