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## Remembering Survival: Inside a Nazi Slave Labor Camp

NEW BRUNSWICK/PISCATAWAY, N.J. – Testimonies of nearly 300 Jewish survivors of a slave labor camp in Starachowice, Poland are the basis for Christopher R. Browning's award winning book *Remembering Survival: Inside a Nazi Slave Labor Camp*. Though the literature of the Holocaust is immense, there are still aspects of the topic that are uncharted or require further scholarship. Browning, the Frank Porter Graham Professor of History at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, will illuminate this point in his lecture "Holocaust History and Survivor Testimony: The Case of the Starachowice Factory Slave Labor Camps" on March 27<sup>th</sup> at the Raoul Wallenberg Annual Program supported by the Leon and Toby Cooperman Fund.

The lecture will be held at 8 p.m. at Trayes Hall, Douglass Campus Center, located at 100 George Street in New Brunswick. The talk is sponsored by the Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life at Rutgers University and is free and open to the public. Advance registration is requested by contacting csjlrsvp@rci.rutgers.edu or 732-932-2033.

This lecture is also the keynote talk of an interdisciplinary conference for scholars entitled "Testimonies, Personal Narratives, and Alternative Tellings," presented by Rutgers Bildner Center from March 27-28. At the conference, scholars from a wide range of disciplines will explore the diversity of testimonial narratives and the broader, more complex understanding of "witnessing" in the post-Holocaust era. The conference is held in conjunction with Rutgers University's new access to the USC Shoah Foundation Institute's Visual History Archive (VHA). Support for the conference has been provided by Rutgers University School of Arts and Sciences. The conference is open to faculty and graduate students only.

Christopher R. Browning is the author of eight books and three time recipient of the National Jewish Book Award. His publications include *Ordinary Men: Reserve Police Battalion 101 and the Final Solution in Poland* (HarperCollins, 1994) and *The Origins of the Final Solution: The Evolution of Nazi Jewish Policy, September 1939-March 1942* (University of Nebraska Press, 2004).

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