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REMEMBERING  
CARL LUTZ



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## Co-hosts Opening Remarks:

### Val Kogan

President, Mid-Atlantic – Eurasia Business Council

### Felicia Alexander

President, Jewish Genealogical and Archival Society of Greater Philadelphia

## Keynote speakers:

Consul General Ambassador **Niculin Jäger**, Consulate General of Switzerland in New York

**Agnes Hirschi**, Carl Lutz' stepdaughter and Honorary President of Carl Lutz Society

**Eric Soul**, Founder and Executive Director of Visas for Life

**DECEMBER 17, 2025/MARCH 30, 2026**

## Welcoming remarks:

**Michael Newmuis**, 2026 Director, Office of Mayor Cherrille L. Parker, City of Philadelphia

**Jennifer Gilburg & David Briel**, Deputy Secretaries, Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

**Zabeth Teelucksingh**, President, Global Philadelphia Association

**Jeffrey Lasday**, Senior Chief of External Affairs, Jewish Federation of Philadelphia

**Zev Eleff**, President Gratz College

**Jennifer Gray**, Education & Museum Manager, Arch Street Quaker Meeting House

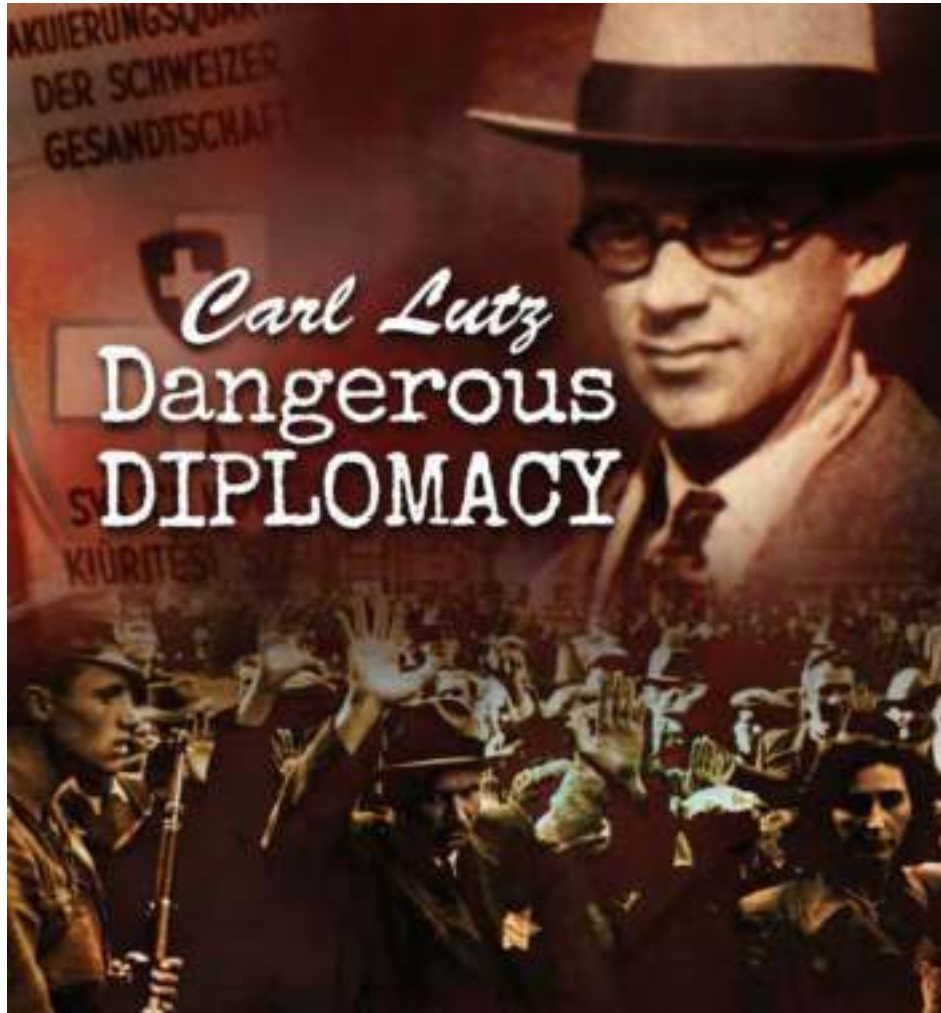


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# AGNES HIRSCHI

Carl Lutz' stepdaughter and  
Honorary President of  
Carl Lutz Society



Click on the Movie Poster above to view the 10-minute Sneak Preview!

## Bryan Boorujy

Co-producer and Co-Director

Owner of Visual Legacy Productions

## Michael Moehring

Co-Producer and Co-Director

Owner of New Destiny Films

## Chris Easterly

Script Writer

Independent Film and Television Writer

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## **Agnes Hirschi**

Carl Lutz' stepdaughter and  
Honorary President of Carl  
Lutz Society (recording)

## **Eric Saul**

Founder and Executive  
Director of Visas for Life and  
Institute for the Study of  
Rescue and Altruism in the  
Holocaust (ISRAH)

## **Sophie Don**

Associate Director  
Philadelphia Holocaust  
Remembrance Foundation



**Carl Lutz**

## **Olivia Mattis**

President and co-founder  
Sousa Mendes Foundation

## **Zev Eleff**

President  
Gratz College

## **Joachim Tomaschett**

Deputy Consul General  
Consulate General of Switzerland  
in New York

## **Paul Kotrotsios**

Founder, Hellenic News of America  
Founder & President, Hermes Expo

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**Rabbi Andrew Baker**

Director of International Jewish  
Affairs, American Jewish Committee  
introduced by **Marcia Bronstein**,  
Regional Director, AJC  
Philadelphia/SNJ

**Zev Eleff**

President of Gratz College

**Walter Reich**

Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Professor of  
International Affairs, Ethics and Human  
Behavior,  
The George Washington University

## **Special Speaker**

Rabbi Andrew Baker, *Director of International Jewish Affairs, American Jewish Committee, introduction by Marcia Bronstein, Regional Director, AJC Philadelphia/SNJ*

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Walter Reich, *Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Professor of International Affairs, Ethics and Human Behavior, The George Washington University*

## **Diplomats and Survivors Stories**

Diplomats Who Saved Lives During the Holocaust:

Forgotten Heroes of the Holocaust. Congressional Gold Medals

Voices of Survivors: Stories of Rescuers and Rescued Families

Eric Saul, *Founder & Executive Director, Visas for Life and Institute for the Study of Rescue and Altruism in the Holocaust (ISRAH)*

Carol Moskot, *László and Elizabeth Braun's granddaughter*

Miriam Eger, *Laszlo and Bozsi Szamosi's daughter*

Laurene Sherlock, *Ambassador Laurence Steinhardt's granddaughter*

Eveline Shekhman, *CEO, American Jewish Medical Association, Granddaughter of Survivors from Lithuania*

## **Diplomats names reading**

Reading of the names of diplomats who were killed or imprisoned for aiding Jews during the Holocaust

## **Film "Dangerous Diplomacy"**

Documentary "Dangerous Diplomacy" with its filmmakers:

Bryan Boorujy, Owner/Producer, Visual Legacy Productions



**Lev Abramzon**  
Sculptor, Artist



## ACRONYM



Materials: Bronze with brown patina

## Acronym

This sculpture uses Carl Lutz's acronym in its shape. It integrates his initials in order to create the whole shape. Thus stating that the memory of his rescue actions created something new - new lives.

The sculpture comes in bronze

**Recommended height for sculpture - 12 FT**

**Pedestal height - 2 FT**



SAFENESS HOUSE



Materials: bronze with high grade polishing

## Safeness House

This sculpture is resembling the idea behind the sculpture Wing #1, but adds ball-like elements which represent the seeds of life that came to be thanks to Lutz's saving and rescuing actions.

This sculptor comes in a smooth, textured or patina bronze coating.

**Recommended height for sculpture - 7 FT / long - 11 FT**



HEAR O ISRAEL



Materials: bronze with high grade polishing

## Hear O Israel

This sculpture draws its inspiration from the most common Jewish prayer, which is used usually in desperate times:

"Hear O Israel the Lord our God the Lord is One".

It takes the form of an eternal flame – representing the eternal believe in Jehovah - in which is rocked a diamond shaped ball.

The latter representing the longevity of the Jewish people.

This sculptor comes in a smooth or textured bronze coating.

**Recommended height for sculpture - 10 FT**



## SILHOUETTE



Materials: 316L stainless steel with high grade polishing

## Silhouette

This sculpture represents an abstract silhouette of a face. It may remind the silhouette of Lutz's face or the face of the people he tried to save.

Thus, broadening and uniting the memory of the saver with the ones been saved or tried to be saved by him - stressing both sides humanity. This sculptor comes in a stainless steel coating, with or without the water effect which emphasizes the element of life.

**Recommended height for sculpture - 15 FT**



WING



Materials: 316L stainless steel with high grade polishing

## Wing

This sculpture takes inspiration of one of the oldest concepts of Jewish believe: Ha-Shchina or in English translate, the Divine spirit. One of the meanings of this concepts is the revelation of God in a realm humans can recognize him.

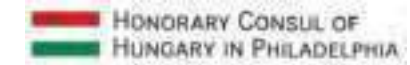
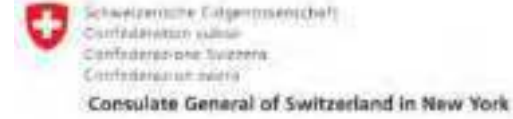
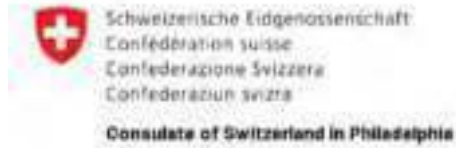
Thus, referring to Lutz's actions during the Holocaust as a revelation of God in human life while times were desperate.

The sculpture is an abstract representation of a wing, which comes in a smooth bronze or stainless steel coating.

**Recommended height for sculpture - 12 FT**

# Our program partners:

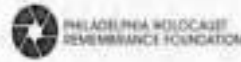
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Visas for Life: The Righteous and Honorable Diplomats



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THANK YOU FOR REMEMBERING WITH US!

**Carl Lutz: His humanitarian action is considered the greatest civil rescue operation of Jews during the Holocaust.**

CALL TO ACTION:

**Turn your inspiration into action!**

- Talk to the youth in your lives about this historical hero!
- Share the “Dangerous Diplomacy” Sneak Movie preview on Social Media:  
<https://youtu.be/l6VXogArK20>
- Help us raise awareness for upcoming Carl Lutz events at  
[https://ma-rbc.org/Carl\\_Lutz.html](https://ma-rbc.org/Carl_Lutz.html)

All of this will lead to the culmination of the efforts:  
the creation of a monument to Carl Lutz  
and the diplomatic rescuers in Philadelphia

