

# OREGON JEWISH MUSEUM AND CENTER FOR HOLOCAUST EDUCATION

## **Sala Kryszek Art & Writing Competition 2018 PROMPT**

**To thoughtfully respond to the prompt, carefully consider the following:**

Sala Sarna Kryszek was born in Warta, Poland, a small town where Jews and non-Jews lived before the Second World War. When the Nazis invaded Poland in 1939, they implemented hundreds of antisemitic laws that had already been passed in Germany. These laws restricted the freedoms of the Polish people and, in particular, the freedoms of Polish Jews. Sala was among the 40,000 Jews who were deported by the Nazis from their hometowns to the Lodz Ghetto. Between 1941 and 1942, hundreds of thousands of Jews, including Sala, were deported from ghettos to killing camps, concentration camps, and forced labor camps.

Looking at the antisemitic laws passed by the Nazis is one way to see the process of gradual dehumanization that made it possible for the Nazis to forcibly separate entire towns and families.

### **The Prompt**

Consider the content of the antisemitic laws passed by the Nazis and the history of deportation during the Holocaust, and create a piece of writing or a work of visual art that examines the role of authority from the perspectives of both Jews and their non-Jewish neighbors during the Holocaust.

Entries must be received by: **Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**