THE RHODES/COS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE OF SEATTLE PRESENTS

International Rhodes/Cos Holocaust Memorial

"From Rhodes to Africa"

Émigré Stories of Before and After the Holocaust

Commemorative Presentations by Sephardic Community Leaders, Stella Hanan Cohen and Jo Mallel, of Zimbabwe and South Africa, respectively.

Program will conclude with a traditional ‘Hashkavah’ memorial prayer for the Sephardic communities of Rhodes, Cos, Greece, and the Balkans, destroyed in the Holocaust.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2023
10:30AM PST / 1:30PM EST
LIVESTREAM VIA ZOOM & FACEBOOK
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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Stella Hanan Cohen is the renowned and award-winning author of Stella’s Sephardic Table, as well as an accomplished artist - painting in motifs reflective of her Sephardic and African roots. She was born and raised in the Sephardic Community of Salisbury, Rhodesia (today’s Harare, Zimbabwe). She is passionate about the culture and cuisine of the Jews of the Mediterranean island of Rhodes and the culinary and cultural treasures passed down from Medieval Spain and the Ottoman Empire. As the great-granddaughter of Rabbi Yaakov Capouya, who served in Rhodes in the early 20th Century, and the daughter of Sephardic parents, Stella internalized and became a prolific transmitter of that tradition, and an international ambassador of the Rhodes Jewish community in the diaspora.

Joseph Mallel was born in 1945, in Elisabethville (today called Lubumbashi), in the Katanga province of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. For decades now, Jo has followed his passion for Sephardic history, and specifically the history of the Jewish community of Rhodes in the 20th Century. Jo is well-known within the ‘Rodesli’ (Jews from Rhodes in Ladino) diaspora and far beyond, as an accomplished historian and documentarian. He was involved in documenting the testimony of Rodesli Survivors of the Holocaust (in Cape Town); was involved in the creation of the Sephardic section of the Holocaust Museum in Cape Town; and has presented his works through numerous organizations, including the Cape Town Holocaust & Genocide Centre and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

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