

DALLAS HOLOCAUST
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DALLAS HOLOCAUST MUSEUM ANNOUNCES SEVEN NEW BOARD APPOINTEES

Board looks toward building permanent museum and education center

DALLAS – February 17, 2016 – The [Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance](#) today announced seven new appointees to its Board of Directors. The Museum’s mission is to teach the history of the Holocaust and advance human rights to combat prejudice, hatred and indifference.

“We’re very pleased to welcome these individuals to our board and look forward to their keen leadership and insights into the ongoing development of our museum,” said Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance President and CEO Mary Pat Higgins. “Their credentials and experiences will be invaluable as we work toward building a new, larger facility.”

The appointees are:

- David B. Ackerman is the Managing Principal and Chief Investment Officer at [Ackerman Capital Management](#) L.P., an investment advisory firm. He is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and a Past-President of the CFA Institute of Dallas-Fort Worth. He is also a Certified Financial Planner (CFP) and a member of the Financial Planning Association.
- Beth Bull is the Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice President of [Communities Foundation of Texas](#), one of the largest community foundations in the nation. In 2013, she was named Nonprofit CFO of the Year by the Dallas Business Journal. Prior to joining CFT, she had a 26-year career with Texas Instruments, the last six years as Treasurer.
- Mike Cohen is Co-Founder and Co-CEO of [Kelli's Gift Shop Suppliers](#), the nation's largest wholesaler to hospital gift shops. Prior to his start-up career, he was a Financial Analyst at Sun Oil Company. Kelli's Gift Shop Suppliers is a true family business with Mike and his spouse Lori serving as Co-CEOs and son Justin as President.
- Janiece Evans-Page is the Head of Global Giving and the Fossil Foundation at [Fossil Group](#). She joined Fossil in 2013 to lead this newly developed position and organization within the company. Prior to Fossil, she led Community Engagement at AT&T. During her 22-year career at Hewlett-Packard in Silicon Valley, she was one of the first African American females to lead a business unit.
- Brendan Miniter is the Founder of [Idea Management, LLC](#), a boutique consulting firm. He began his career as a journalist and eventually became a writer and editor at The Wall Street Journal. He moved to Dallas in 2011 and led the team that designed the permanent exhibit of the George W. Bush Presidential Museum.
- Thear Suzuki is the Advisory Managing Partner for the Southwest Region at [Ernst & Young LLP](#). EY is a global leader in assurance, tax, transaction, and advisory services. Thear has 20 years experience

leading technology transformation programs and providing consulting services to Fortune 500 companies across a range of industries.

- Michele Valdez is a community volunteer and former humor columnist for [Preston Hollow People](#). She was a vice president at American Eagle Airlines where she managed human resources and served as chief negotiator in union negotiations. She was also an attorney with American Airlines.

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ABOUT THE DALLAS HOLOCAUST MUSEUM/CENTER FOR EDUCATION AND TOLERANCE

The Dallas Holocaust Museum's mission is to teach the history of the Holocaust and advance human rights to combat prejudice, hatred and indifference. The Museum's education programs have had a profound effect on people of all ages. In 2015, 72,502 visitors toured the Museum and many have written, emailed or posted notes that their lives have been transformed by the experience. Through its exhibits and programs, visitors learn about the discrimination, deep-rooted hatred and the attempted annihilation of the Jews and the systematic persecution of others. The Museum is located at 211 N. Record Street, Dallas, Texas 75202. Hours are Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, please visit dallasholocaustmuseum.org or call (214) 741-7500.

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