THE RESCUE OF JEWS IN FRANCE AND ITS EMPIRE DURING WORLD WAR II

Thursday, March 24

5:00 p.m. Opening Remarks by Robert O. Paxton

5:30-7:30 p.m. Special Film Previews with Pierre Sauvage

Sauvage presents excerpts from his works-in-progress And Crown Thy Good: Varian Fry in Marseille and Three Righteous Christians of France: Madeleine Barot, André Dumas, Jean-Marie Soutou

Some film excerpts are in French only, without English subtitles

Friday, March 25

9:00 a.m. Keynote Speech by Renée Poznanski, Resistance and the Rescue of Jews in France: from History to Historiography

10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Session I
Recognizing the Righteous and the Politics of Memory
Chaired by Pierre Birnbaum

• Mordecai Paldiel, Yad Vashem and the “Righteous Among the Nations”

• Sarah Gensburger, From Jerusalem to Paris: Defining the “Righteous of France”

• Susan Zuccotti, Père Marie-Benoît and his Jewish Colleagues in Rescue: Marseille and Rome, 1941-1944

1:00-2:30 p.m. Session II
Anti-Jewish Policies and the Rescue of Jews in the French Empire
Chaired by Robert O. Paxton

• Eric Jennings, Rescue or Not? The French Colonial Window of Opportunity, 1940-1942

• Robert Satloff, Arab Rescuers of Jews in Vichy North Africa: Their Role and Relevance

3:00-5:00 p.m. Session III
Unsung Heroes? Jewish Rescuers of Jews in Vichy France
Chaired by Vicki Caron

• Georges Weill, Going Underground: The Rescue Activities of Social Worker Andrée Salomon and the OSE

• Miranda Pollard, A Question of Silence? Odette Abadi, Hidden Children, and the Réseau Marcel in Nice

• Harriet Jackson, When does Rescue Count? The Resistance Activities of Hasidic Rabbi Zalman Chnéerson

5:30 p.m. Closing Remarks by Pierre Birnbaum