**New One-Hour Special, WE REMEMBER: SONGS OF SURVIVORS, to Premiere April 26, 2022, on PBS**

Witness the Healing Powers of Music and Friendship As

Holocaust Survivors Share Their Stories With Songwriters

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| Holocaust survivor Freide Gorewitz and songwriter Elizabeth Clark receive a standing ovation at the live concert. (Credit: Whitney Martin) |

ARLINGTON, VA; MARCH 9, 2022 -- PBS announces **WE REMEMBER: SONGS OF SURVIVORS,** a one-hour special celebrating the lives of Holocaust survivors through storytelling and music. The documentary will premiere the week of Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, on Tuesday, April 26, at 8:00 p.m. ET ([check local listings](http://www.pbs.org/tv_schedules/)) on PBS, [PBS.org](http://www.pbs.org) and the [PBS Video app.](https://www.pbs.org/pbs-video-app/)

**WE REMEMBER: SONGS OF SURVIVORS** follows four talented singer-songwriters who work for the community arts organization SageArts in New York’s Hudson Valley. Through a program offered by Jewish Family Service of Orange County, they visit local Holocaust survivors to create original songs based on their conversations. The film documents the relationships that develop and the songwriting process over many months, culminating in an emotional live concert where the survivors and songwriters are celebrated by friends, family and the community.

“At a time when the world is faced with the horrors of war and hatred, we wanted to tell this hopeful story of perseverance and love,” said Ilene Cutler, co-producer of **WE REMEMBER: SONGS OF SURVIVORS**.

“PBS is honored to shed light on this moving and powerful project, which illuminates the ways in which music can uniquely memorialize these stories of resiliency,” said Zara Frankel, Director of Programming and Development at PBS. “Through a collaborative songwriting process, the musicians featured in this film showcase the inspirational lives of each survivor, commemorating the full breadth of strength and joy they inspired in their lifetime.”

In-depth interviews with the survivors — Rita, Tibor, Tommy and Freide — and access to rare personal archives lead to revealing stories, many of which have been deeply buried in their memories for decades. At the same time, the songwriters — Michael, Jude, Kelleigh and Elizabeth — create video diaries to document their own thoughts and feelings about the experience of telling a Holocaust survivor’s story through song.

“Many documentaries exist about the Holocaust. However, few have taken such a unique approach to telling these horrific stories. We wanted to shed light on the devastating experiences of Holocaust survivors while celebrating the possibilities of healing through the power of music,” said Tim Miller, co-producer of **WE REMEMBER: SONGS OF SURVIVORS.** “Little did we know this film, with its powerful message, would change the lives of both the survivors and songwriters.”

**WE REMEMBER: SONGS OF SURVIVORS** will be available for streaming concurrent with broadcast on all station-branded PBS platforms, including [PBS.org](http://www.pbs.org/) and the [PBS Video App](https://www.pbs.org/pbs-video-app/), available on iOS, Android, Roku, Apple TV, Android TV, Amazon Fire TV, Samsung Smart TV, Chromecast and VIZIO. PBS station members can view many series, documentaries and specials via [PBS Passport](https://www.pbs.org/passport/videos/). For more information about PBS Passport, visit the [PBS Passport FAQ](https://help.pbs.org/support/solutions/5000121793) website.

Produced by Tim Miller and Ilene Cutler, **WE REMEMBER: SONGS OF SURVIVORS** was written and edited by Timothy Guetterman. Zara Frankel is the executive in charge for PBS.

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