

The Jopheles family in Vilnius, 1930.



OCTOBER 16-18, 2025  
IN VILNIUS

# A WORLD TO REMEMBER: TEACHING JEWISH HISTORY AND THE HOLOCAUST IN LITHUANIA

CENTROPA TRAINING SEMINAR FOR  
LITHUANIAN EDUCATORS

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# PROGRAM

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16**  
**SEMINAR LOCATION: VILNA GAON**  
**MUSEUM OF JEWISH HISTORY,**  
**NAUGARDUKO G. 10, VILNIUS**

## **12.30-13.30**

Lunch and registration in hotel Art City Inn, J.Jasinskio g. 14

## **13.30-14.00**

Walk to Vilna Gaon Museum of Jewish History,  
Naugarduko g. 10

## **14.10-14.10**

Welcome remarks by Ingrida Vilkienė (International Commission), Maximilian von Schoeler (Centropa) & Gary Nihsen (Claims Conference)

## **14.10-14.40**

Introduction to the exhibitions and the educational work of the Vilna Gaon Museum of Jewish History

## **14.40-15.00**

Icebreaking activity

## **15.00-15.20**

Introduction to Centropa's educational program and materials for Lithuania, and using Centropa's database to research Jewish history and the Holocaust in Lithuania

## **15.20-15.45**

Screening of Centropa film 'A World Destroyed, a World to Remember' about Ranana Malkhanova

## **15.45-16.30**

Group work on creating a lesson plan

## **16.30-17.00**

Coffee break

## **17.00-18.00**

Historical lecture on "The Holocaust in Lithuania" by dr. Stanislovas Stasiulis (The Lithuanian Institute of History)

## **18.00-19.30**

Walk to hotel Art City Inn and check-in

## **19.30**

Welcome dinner at hotel Art City Inn

Liber Cenis in Rietavas, 1928

# PROGRAM

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17**

**SEMINAR LOCATION: VILNA GAON  
MUSEUM OF JEWISH HISTORY &  
PANERIAI MEMORIAL**

**08.30-09.00**

Walk to Vilna Gaon Museum of Jewish History,  
Naugarduko g. 10

**09.00-09.30**

Introduction to the concept and activities of the  
Tolerance Education Centers and outlook on the planned  
cooperation with Centropa

**09.30-10.30**

Marketplace of Ideas: 4 Lithuanian teachers present  
projects and lesson plans based on Centropa materials

**10.30-10.45**

Walk to Choral synagogue, Plačioji g.

**10.45-11.30**

Guided tour of Choral synagogue

**11.30-12.00**

Walk to Vilna Gaon Museum of Jewish History, and coffee  
break

**12.00-13.30**

Workshop based on the stories of Masha Rolnikaitė, Fania  
Brantsovskaya and Chasia Spanerflig, connecting them to  
the history of mass crimes in Paneriai

**13.30-14.00**

Walk to hotel Art City Inn

**14.00-14.45**

Lunch at hotel Art City Inn

**14.45-15.30**

Bus transfer to Paneriai Memorial

**15.30-17.30**

Visit of Paneriai Memorial and Museum, including  
interactive activity

**17.30-18.00**

Bus transfer to hotel Art City Inn

**18.00**

Free evening

Sarah Polya with friends in Jelva, 1936.

# PROGRAM

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18**

**SEMINAR LOCATION: VILNA GAON  
MUSEUM OF JEWISH HISTORY**

## **08.30-09.15**

Walk to Vilna Gaon Museum of Jewish History (option to leave luggage there)

## **09.15-11.00**

Guided walking tour of Jewish Vilnius using Centropa's Jewish Vilnius AudioWalk. Participants follow the AudioWalk throughout the city.

## **11.00-11.30**

Coffee break at Vilna Gaon Museum of Jewish History

## **11.30-12.30**

Workshop based on Centropa materials, "People's stories and prevention of stereotypes"

## **12.30-13.00**

Action plan & Feedback

## **13.00-13.15**

Handing out certificates

## **13.15**

End of seminar

Berta Kowalski in Ukmergė, 1910