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## Book Presentation “Exile in Australia”

19 Sep 2018

The National Fund of the Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism and the Australian Embassy extend a warm invitation to the presentation of the 5th volume of the series “Erinnerungen. Lebensgeschichten von Opfern des Nationalsozialismus”/“Lives Remembered. Life Stories of the Victims of National Socialism” with a focus of “Exile in Australia”, which will take place on Tuesday 2nd October 2018 from 6.30 pm until around 9 pm at the Australian Embassy, Mattiellistraße 2–4, 1040 Vienna (show map).

### Program

#### Greeting

S.E. Dr. Brendon Hammer  
Australian Ambassador

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Abg.z.NR Dr. Reinhold Lopatka  
President of the Austro-Australian Society

#### Introduction

Mag. Hannah Lessing  
Secretary General of the National Fund

#### Book presentation

Dr. Renate Meissner, MSc  
Scientific Director of the National Fund

#### “Exil in Australia”

Dr. Barbara Tóth (journalist, historian and author, Vienna) in conversation with the descendants of eyewitnesses:

Mag. Susanne Altschul (Austria)  
Tania de Jong AM (Australia/Netherlands)  
Amber Kehm (Australia/Switzerland)  
Dr. Yves Laisné (France/Belgium/Germany)

#### Musical accompaniment

Tania de Jong AM  
Soprano

Following the book presentation the Australian Ambassador cordially invites guests to a reception.

#### Free entry

Limited number of seats available!

If you wish to attend, please inform us of your planned attendance by Thursday 27 September 2018 at [veranstaltungen@nationalfonds.org](mailto:veranstaltungen@nationalfonds.org) or by telephone (01) 408 12 63.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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#### Volume 5 of the series “Erinnerungen”/“Lives Remembered”

The 5th volume of the series “Erinnerungen”/“Lives Remembered” is a comprehensive, three-part publication spanning almost 1,000 pages that tells 21 stories of individuals and families who managed to escape to Australia following the Nazi “Anschluss” of Austria.

In addition to the biographical accounts, which are richly illustrated with a wealth of personal photographs and documents, the three sub-volumes also contain three life stories told exclusively through the medium of photography. The narrators describe their lives in Austria before 1938 and during the Nazi assumption of power, their flight, their arrival in Australia and their life in their new homeland or their return to their old one.

The cultural and social anthropologist and longtime President of the Austro-South Pacific Society, Mag. Margit Wolfsberger, has contributed an introductory article in which she looks into the characteristics specific to exile in Australia.

Link:

- Volume 5 of the series “Erinnerungen”/“ Lives Remembered”