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**THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS
GRANT FROM THE COVENANT FOUNDATION**

The coveted grant recognizes exceptional leaders in Jewish education

PHILADELPHIA—The **National Museum of American Jewish History** (NMAJH) has received a **\$50,000 grant** from the New York-based **Covenant Foundation**, which honors organizations delivering the highest excellence in Jewish education. The grant will support the Museum’s development of a national curriculum on the American Jewish experience and professional development opportunities for teachers aimed at improving the teaching of American Jewish history in Jewish day and supplementary schools.

“The Covenant Foundation grant represents a strong endorsement of the Museum’s ability to provide the very best in Jewish education,” says **Ivy Barsky**, NMAJH CEO and Gwen Goodman Director. “We are very grateful for the Foundation’s generous award, one that affirms the positive, national impact of our educational initiatives.”

The Covenant Foundation recognizes the diversity of strengths within the field of Jewish education in North America, across all denominations and settings. By honoring outstanding Jewish educators and supporting creative approaches to programming, the Foundation works to strengthen educational endeavors that perpetuate the identity, continuity, and heritage of the Jewish people. The Foundation believes those with the creativity and passion to be catalysts for change and innovation in Jewish education are worthy of recognition and support. A full list of recipients can be found at www.covenantfn.org.

NMAJH is committed to providing accessible, high-quality educational programs for local and national audiences, encouraging students to understand and identify themselves within the larger arc of the American Jewish experience. The Museum provides first-of-its-kind professional development programs and curricula designed to empower teachers to transform—and sometimes initiate—the teaching of American Jewish History by utilizing the trove of artifacts and resources available at NMAJH. In the past year alone, the Museum served more than 10,000 students, providing popular programs including *Becoming American and Traveling Suitcase*, *Courageous Choices*, and *Unique Promise and Imperfect Freedom: American Jews and WWII*. Through distance learning offerings, NMAJH engages students across the country in interpreting artifacts and primary source documents as well as critical thinking. The Museum’s annual *National Educators Institute: The Art and Science of Teaching American Jewish History* invites Jewish educators from across the country to participate in rigorous workshops and experiential learning.

For more information about the Museum’s educational initiatives, visit [NMAJH.org/education](https://www.nmajh.org/education).

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About the National Museum of American Jewish History

The National Museum of American Jewish History, located on historic Independence Mall in Philadelphia, brings to life the more than 360-year history of Jews in America. Tracing the stories of how Jewish immigrants became Jewish Americans, the Museum invites visitors of all backgrounds to share their own stories and reflect on how their histories and identities shape and are shaped by the American experience. An open door for all, NMAJH honors the past and contributes to a better future by sharing the power of imagination and ideas, culture and community, leadership and service, in ways that turn inspiration into action.

The National Museum of American Jewish History is located at 101 South Independence Mall East at the corner of Fifth and Market Streets in Philadelphia. Museum hours are Wednesday to Friday, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, and Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am - 5:30 pm. Museum admission is \$15.00 for adults, \$13.00 for senior citizens and youth, free for children 12 and under, Museum Members, and active military with ID; reduced prices available if purchased online. Connect with the Museum on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/nmajh), [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/nmajh), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/nmajh), and [Pinterest](https://www.pinterest.com/nmajh). For more information, visit [NMAJH.org](https://www.nmajh.org) or call 215.923.3811.