

## **FRÖHLICH AND JUDAS FAMILIES PAPERS, 1939-1989**

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#### **Descriptive summary**

Title: Fröhlich and Judas families papers

Dates: 1939-1989

Accession number: 2016.473.1

Creator: Frohlich, Harry; Frohlich, Inge

Extent: 6 folders, 2 albums (1 box, 2 oversize boxes).

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Abstract: Collection consists of photographs from the family of Harry Frohlich (born Harald Fröhlich), originally of Vienna, Austria, and his wife, Inge (née Judas) Frohlich, originally of Ihringen, Germany. Includes a certificate from Schaffhausen, Switzerland, recognizing Harald Fröhlich's contributions as an agricultural worker during World War II, a photograph of him repairing typewriters, circa 1940s, and one photograph album of the Fröhlich family, both before and after emigration from Austria, circa 1930s-1940s. Also included are photographs of the Judas family, circa 1930s, and a file of documents related to the estate of Isaak Judas, 1952-1989. An additional photo album, circa 1940s, shows photographs of both Harald Fröhlich and Inge Judas and their respective families and friends, in Switzerland.

Languages: German.

#### **Administrative Information**

Access: Collection is open for use, but is stored offsite. Please contact the Reference Desk more than seven days prior to visit in order to request access.

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Acquisition information: Gift of Royce Froehlich, son of Harry and Inge Frohlich, 2016.

Related archival materials: The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum also has a series of drawing and other artwork, created by Harry Frohlich while in a displaced persons camp in Schaffhausen, Switzerland. These were donated by Royce Froehlich at the same time as this collection, but are cataloged separately as artifacts.

Accruals: Accruals may have been received since this collection was first processed, see archives catalog at [collections.ushmm.org](http://collections.ushmm.org) for further information.

Processing history: Brad Bauer, December 2016.

### **Biographical note**

Harry Frohlich (1925-1997) was born Harald Fröhlich in Vienna, Austria, the son of Ignatz and Rosa (née Hutschnecker) Fröhlich. After the annexation of Austria by Germany in 1938, the Fröhlich family, after witnessing one of Ignatz's brothers being arrested and placed on a truck, decided to leave Austria immediately. The family travelled by train to the west, and when they determined they were likely in Switzerland, they exited the train and sought shelter there. They were initially taken to a prison, and then to a refugee camp in Buchberg/Schaffhausen. Harry celebrated his bar mitzvah there in December 1938, and attended school there, where he met Ingeborg Judas, who had escaped from Germany, and who he would eventually marry. After his schooling, he apprenticed to repair typewriters, which he did from 1946-1948, until he left for Israel, to train displaced persons in the vocational courses offered by ORT. Returning to Switzerland, he married Ingeborg Judas in 1951, and shortly thereafter they immigrated to the United States, settling in New York.

Inge Frohlich (1925-2006) was born Ingeborg Judas in 1925 in Ihringen, Germany, the daughter of Isaak and Selma Judas, who also had one other daughter, Gretel (born 1921). In November 1938, Selma Judas accompanied Gretel to Hamburg, as Gretel left Germany for the United States, and was in that city on Kristallnacht. Inge, who was in Ihringen, witnessed the destruction of the city's synagogue, and following this, the family was evicted from their home and forced to live with relatives in Freiburg. In 1939, prior to the outbreak of war, Inge was sent on a "Kindertransport" to Switzerland, living with a Jewish family in Schaffhausen, and serving as their maid. She attended school there, where she met her future husband, Harald Fröhlich, before leaving to work as a maid in Lausanne, and eventually returning to Schaffhausen. In 1946, she immigrated to the United States to live with her sister in New York, but returned to Switzerland in 1951 to marry Harry Fröhlich, following which he joined her in New York. She pursued a career as a dental hygienist, and the couple, who anglicized their last name to Froehlich, and later Frohlich, and had one son, Royce (born 1955). Inge Frohlich died in Queens, New York, in 2006. Her parents, who had remained in Germany during World War II, were eventually deported to Auschwitz, where both were killed.

### **Scope and content of collection**

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certificate from Schaffhausen, Switzerland, recognizing Harald Fröhlich's contributions as an agricultural worker during World War II, a photograph of him repairing typewriters, circa 1940s, and one photograph album of the Fröhlich family, with photographs from both before and after their emigration from Austria, circa 1930s-1940s. Also included are photographs of the Judas family, circa 1930s, and a file of documents related to the estate of Isaak Judas, 1952-1989. An additional photo album, circa 1940s, shows photographs of both Harald Fröhlich and Inge Judas and their respective families and friends, in Switzerland.

### **System of arrangement**

The Frohlich and Judas families papers are arranged in two series: I. Documents, II. Photographs.

### **Indexing terms**

#### *Topical headings:*

Jews--Austria--Vienna.

Jews--Germany--Baden-Württemberg.

Jewish refugees--Switzerland--Schaffhausen (Canton)

#### *Geographic headings:*

Ihringen (Germany)

Schaffhausen (Switzerland)

## **CONTAINER LIST**

### Document

- 1.1 Birth certificate (copy): Inge Judas (Frohlich), and genealogical information, 1951-1989
- 1.2 Certificate: Landwirtschaftlicher Arbeitsdienst Schleithem (Switzerland), thanking Harald Fröhlich for his help in agricultural work during World War II. Undated, circa 1945.
- 1.3 Restitution to heirs of Isaak Judas, 1956-1980

### Photographs

- 1.4 Judas family, 1938 and undated
- 1.5 Loose images from Album 1
- 1.6 Loose images from Album 2
- 2.1 Album 1: Frohlich family members, 1920-1943, and undated (dark brown/black album)
- 3.1 Album 2: Harry and Inge Frohlich, family and friends, circa 1942-1948 and undated (red cloth album)