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## FILM SCREENINGS



# IN THE BIRCH GROVE & THE FORGOTTEN JEW IN THE CITY OF YOUTH

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### Moderator: TODD PRESNER (UCLA)

Creening of two 30-min. research films that adopt a contemporary perspective to exploring Auschwitz-Birkenau (*In the Birch Grove*, 2012) and Landsberg-am-Lech (*The Forgotten Jew in the City of Youth*, 2016). The films pose questions about the discomforting mismatch of beauty and trauma, the banal and the sacred, and contrasting testimonies involving an unlikely perpetrator and an unlikely survivor of the Holocaust.

**About the Speaker: Alan Marcus** is a cultural historian and filmmaker and Chair in Film and Visual Culture at King's College, University of Aberdeen in Scotland. His recent research focuses on themes associated with memory and the representation of iconic post-traumatic sites. His 10 research film projects completed since 2006, examine sites associated with Jewish identity, the Diaspora, and the Holocaust. His experimental film, *In Place of Death* (2008), set in Dachau and held in the USHMM, is one of five films that comprise the Carnegie Trust-funded research project, *In Time of Place*.

While the event is free and open to Leve Center members, pre-registration is required. E mail cjsrsvp@humnet.ucla.edu or call (310) 267-5327 to register.