

Detmold, 28 June 2026

Dear members,

Friends of the GfCJZ,

Eva Szepesi, born in Hungary in 1932, is one of the last survivors of the Shoah. The persecution and murder of Hungarian Jews began with the German invasion in the spring of 1944. Eva Szepesi, then aged eleven, was forced to flee from that point onwards. In 1944, she was discovered by the Nazis in her hiding place in Slovakia and deported to Auschwitz. She experienced the liberation there on 27 January 1945. It was not until the mid-1990s that she was able to speak about her experiences.

On 11 July 2026, she will be visiting the Stadthalle in Detmold:

Saturday, July 11, 2026, 19:30

Holocaust survivor Eva Szepesi in conversation with Louis Pawellek

Eva Szepesi survived the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp as a child and is one of the last surviving eyewitnesses to the Holocaust. For many years, she has been campaigning against forgetting and in favour of a culture of remembrance through moving talks, books and school visits. In 2024, she spoke as a guest of honour in the German Bundestag on the occasion of Holocaust Remembrance Day and appeared on all the talk shows.

Louis Pawellek is an author and presenter from the Lippe region. In his latest book, **Die letzten Stimmen des Holocaust** (The Last Voices of the Holocaust), he documents the moving life stories of twelve survivors, including Eva Szepesi. Further books and projects followed.



The event begins at 7.30 pm; doors open at 6.30 pm.

Advance tickets are available in Detmold (LZ Ticket Service, Kafka bookshop and Tourist Information) or via Reservix.

Stadthalle Detmold

Warm regards

Kristina Panchyrz and Philipp Wagner

(Management)