THE BEAU BASSIN JEWISH DETAINEES MEMORIAL & INFORMATION CENTRE

In December 1940, 1,580 Jewish men, women and children fled Nazi-controlled Europe and were eventually deported to the British colony of Mauritius.

The detainees spent four years and seven months in Beau Bassin central prison before leaving the island in August 1945.

Discover

The exhibition explores through a serios of display panels and artefacts, the story of the jewish detainees on the island of Mauritius - a little known episode in the history of the Holocaust.

We learn about the hardships of their internment, but also about their resilience; how they succeeded in creating a community, and how they struggled tirelessly to regain their freedom...

Engage

Visitors are encouraged to engage with our history, in one of our guided tours

We also offer special programms for schools, that include:

- -a short interactive powerpoint presentation,
- -a couple of games exploring identity and differences between children,
- -a quiz in the cemetery,
- -a guided tour of the photographic exhibition in the centre.



Connect

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Opening hours

Wednesdays and Fridays: 10am to 4pm

Sundays: 10am to 1pm