



Train to Treblinka

2004, 17”h x 45”w x 8”d

collage, printed silk, mirrors, manufactured objects, and acrylic on wood

Collaborative team: Gina Kugler, survivor; David Feinberg, artist, facilitator; Laura Krueger, artist; Katie Novak, artist; Taylor Costello, artist; Diane Grace Goodman; Photographs by Aviel Goodman and Katie Novak

Gina Kugler was 14 years old when she boarded a train with her mother and father. They were told that they were being relocated to a different ghetto. Snow fell as their journey progressed. Gina’s father was familiar with the tracks, and he alerted everyone on the train car that the train was headed for the death camp in Treblinka. Panic ensued, and with their parent’s blessings, the older children who could get through the small windows of the locked cars jumped off the train as it passed through the dark countryside. Kugler recalls, “I Forgot to turn around and say goodbye.” Thirteen children jumped off that train and never saw their parents again.

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