

U siebie-At home Association –

a non-governmental organization, for over 10 years working to restore the memory of the victims of the former, WWII's German Nazi camp for Polish children and youth on Przemysłowa Street in Łódź, and to spread the knowledge about the camp.

2021

In 2021, thanks to the grant from the Ministry of Culture, National Heritage and Sport and the co-financing by the donation from the German scholars: Dr. Imbke Behnken & Prof. Jürgen Zinnecker, the Association implements the project: "The camp on Przemysłowa Street in Łódź – the development and the promotion of the website, dedicated to the memory of the little-known children's camp".

2020

In 2020, thanks to the grant from the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, together with the Łódź City Hall, the Association realized the project: "The camp on Przemysłowa Street in Łódź", within which the first website, entirely dedicated to the history of the WWII's camp for children and youths, was created - www.obozprzyprzemyslowej.pl

2019

In 2019, thanks to the grant from the Office for Veterans and Repressed Persons and the Łódź City Hall, the Association released the publication: "Eee... tam, there was no such a camp – the memories of Genowefa Kowalczyk, a former inmate of the camp on Przemysłowa Street in Łódź" - the first printed memoirs of a former inmate of the children's camp since the war.

2013

From 2013 to 2020, the Association co-organized (in cooperation with numerous partners, including the foreign ones, mainly with Ph.D. Hab. Imbke Behnken – the co-founder of Siegener Zentrum für Kindheits- Jugend- und Biografieforschung (SiZe) (The Research Center for Childhood, Youth and Biography in Siegen) - the researcher of children's war narratives, as well as with the University of Siegen, the Goethe University in Frankfurt, also with Prof. Andrzej Cechnicki, MD – the Head of the Department of Environmental Psychiatry at the Jagiellonian University's Medical College in Kraków, the Polish-German Association for Mental Health, and the Polish-Israeli Association for Mental Health. Approximately 80 screenings of the film: "You mustn't be naughty", produced by the Association, have taken place - in Poland, Germany, Israel and Russia.

In the years: 2013-2020, thanks to the audio-visual materials It had collected about the camp on Przemysłowa Street, the Association supported the participation of Urszula Sochacka - the director of the film – in the meetings that were accompanying the screenings of the film: "You mustn't be naughty", and numerous academic

conferences, during which Urszula Sochacka presented issues related to the camp. Among other things, the above-mentioned materials have made Ms. Sochacka's research work possible. As a part of her doctoral studies, she is preparing a dissertation on the memory of the camp.

2012

In 2012, thanks to the grant from the Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation and the Polish Film Institute, with the support of the TVN Television, the Association produced the documentary film: "You mustn't be naughty" - about the camp on Przemysłowa Street in Łódź, existing during the WWII, and the intergenerational transmission of war trauma - the first film about the camp since the 70's of the previous century.

2009

Since 2009, due to the financing from the CIF and the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, as well as because of the voluntary work of the members of the Association, also: the staff and pupils of the "Bohaterskich Dzieci Łodzi" (The Heroic Children of Łódź) - the Elementary School No. 81, we have been able to create a film about the camp. Also, the Association, in cooperation with the School, carried out a number of educational projects about the camp ("Release the Skinny One...", "Release the Skinny One... cont.", "Friends of the Skinny One", "Children are not fish and they have their own voice", as well as the promotion of the book: "Eee... tam, there was no such a camp"). The goal of these projects was to develop some of the modern forms of commemorating the child victims and to disseminate the knowledge about the history of the camp (in a child-friendly manner), as well as to build a local network of cooperation in the camp's commemoration. The Association have been inviting the representatives of various environments and age groups to cooperate in such projects (including elementary, middle and high school students from Łódź, students from a special school in Kraków, students and lecturers from the Jagiellonian and the Łódź universities, representatives of various Łódź entities, such as the Museum of Independence Traditions in Łódź, the Institute of National Remembrance (IPN), NGOs from Łódź and Kraków, government offices, church, guide circles, media, as well as a few surviving former prisoners).

Since 2009, the Association has prepared the numerous projects concerning the camp and has submitted several dozens of applications for grants, in order to obtain funds for projects' implementation. Many activities have been carried out thanks to the voluntary work of the Association members. This is how the rich archives of the Association were created, among others, including the German and the English language versions of the film "Nie wolno się brzydko bawić" ("You mustn't be naughty").

2005

As a part of Its previous activities, which began in 2005, pursuing Its statutory goals of promoting the models of harmonious coexistence, tolerance and respect for other cultures - as the basic condition for building order in the modern world, the Association produced several documentary films, organized several film screenings and carried out several educational projects, among others, promoting the presence in the media of national minorities and ethnic groups living in Poland, multicultural journalism standards, supporting history curricula in combination with shaping the attitude of "tomorrow's patriotism".

Between 2005 and 2019, as the leading entity (in cooperation with numerous others), the Association implemented the following projects:

In 2015 the Association produced the documentary film "bez-IMIENNI" ("The no-Name"), about the extermination by the Germans, during World War II, of the patients from the psychiatric hospital in Kobierzyn - as a part of the "Filmoteka Małopolska" project - with the support of the Marshal's Office of the Małopolska Region. In this regard, It cooperated, among others, with students, doctoral students and lecturers of Kraków's universities and the Kraków branch of IPN.

In 2014, the Association produced the documentary film: "Beside each other" - on the multi-religiousness of the Uście Gorlickie commune - as a part of the "Filmoteka Małopolska" project, with the support of the Marshal's Office of the Małopolska Region.

In 2013, in cooperation with, among others, the Ethnographic Museum in Kraków, the Association realized the multi-component project: "The Message for a Grandchild", including: film workshops, tours, film screenings, lectures, and the production of a documentary film, that were co-financed by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policy - as a part of the Government Programme for Social Activity of Older Persons for 2014-2020.

In 2012, the Association produced the documentary film: "In the footsteps of Teodor Talowski in Małopolska", and in 2013 the documentary film: "3Romaart", on Roma artists - as a part of the project: "Filmoteka Małopolska", and with the support of the Marshal's Office of the Małopolska Region.