Feature

A Glimpse of Daily Life
Jewish Shanghai in Photographs

Shanghai Jewish Youth Association / Kadoorie school on Kinchow Road, Shanghai, China
Jewish kindergarten, Shanghai, China

Jewish wedding, Shanghai, China

Jewish kindergarten, Shanghai, China

Jewish community Pander Bellkchoff theatrical performance, Shanghai, China
Japanese soldier in navy uniform with an armband, Shanghai, China

Jewish temple, Shanghai, China

Jewish men wearing armbands in front of Monon Cafe on East Seward Road, Shanghai, China

Jewish children gathering, Shanghai, China
Jewish community soccer game, Shanghai, China
Recently, the William H. Hannon Library (http://library.lmu.edu/) launched the Werner von Boltenstern Shanghai Photograph and Negative Collection, which contains, most notably, images of Jewish Holocaust refugees and other Jewish communities already living in Shanghai in the 1930s-1940s. From daily work life to weddings to soccer games in ghettos, these images capture a wide range of the Jewish experience as well as show the deep imprint Jewish culture has had on Shanghai’s history.

Currently, the Hannon Library is seeking more information about this rich collection. Inquiries so far have resulted in numerous replies from across the United States, Australia, France, Germany, Shanghai, Great Britain, and Hong Kong. Such quick responses help to illustrate what is already known about this collection; it has tremendous historical, cultural and, likely for people who were there, personal value. To participate in this project or just to see the collection visit http://dh.lmu.edu/shanghai-collection-crowdsourcing. For more information, please contact Melanie Hubbard, Digital Scholarship Librarian at melanie.hubbard@lmu.edu.

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