

Varsavianist walk | “Ghetto in the Memoirs of Ludwik Hirszfeld”

The Warsaw Ghetto Museum invites you to the seventh and last Varsavianist walk this year, dedicated to the doctor Ludwik Hirszfeld and his memoirs from the ghetto: “The Story of One Life”.



Ludwik Hirszfeld – doctor, bacteriologist and immunologist, founder of the Polish school of immunology, a new branch of science – seroanthropology and the foundations of blood grouping (with Emil von Dungen), nominated for the Nobel Prize for his numerous scientific achievements.

During the defense of Warsaw in September 1939, he organized a blood transfusion center in the

city. He was forced to live in the Warsaw ghetto. He lectured there, worked in research and – thanks to the vaccine provided by Prof. Rudolf Weigl from Lviv, which was illegally smuggled into the ghetto – he treated typhoid patients. In July 1942 he escaped from the ghetto to the so-called Aryan side. For a while he hid under a changed name in the house of Laura Kenig in Stara Miłosna near Warsaw and later with the farmer Stanisław Kaflik in Klembów near Tłuszcz, pretending to be an employee-disinfector. In 1943 he wrote down his autobiography, which was published in 1946 under the title “The Story of One Life”.

We invite you to the seventh and last Varsavianist walk this year – “The Ghetto in the Memoirs of Ludwik Hirszfeld”, which will take place on Sunday, December 19. Gathering will be at 12:00 in the courtyard of the former Bersohn and Bauman Hospital at 60 Sienna Street. The walk will be led by Agnieszka Kuś, a city guide. Participation in the event is free of charge.

See you soon!

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