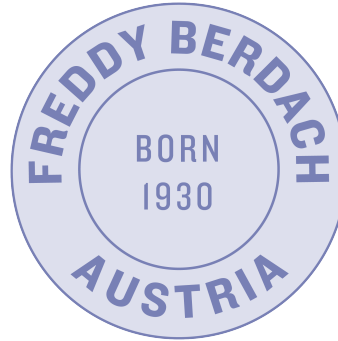




# The Hebrew Order of David UK

*Proudly presents an evening with survivor*



*Time: Sunday May 30, 2021 07:30 PM London*

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It is surprising what memories can be retained when the incidents are frighteningly fearful. It is over 70 years ago that my happy childhood was shattered by the entry of German troops into Vienna. It was a parade like no other. They marched along the main streets in their "Goose Step", in their grey uniforms, with their swastika banners flying and bands playing. The Viennese population lined the streets – in many places six deep – cheering their saviours. From nowhere, swastika flags were suddenly flying from every building as if they had been expecting it. It really was a frightening time.

The "Anschluss" on 12<sup>th</sup> March 1938 was sudden, savage and quite unprepared for. What had taken five years in Germany to tighten the screw on the Jewish people – getting worse every year – happened overnight in Austria. The fear among the Jews was palpable. My headmaster was prepared to throw me out of school the very next day. Our maid left us as soon as she had stolen all she could carry and the emerging local Nazi Party instructed us to leave our flat within two weeks.