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ARCHITREATS: FOOD FOR THOUGHT PRESENTATION
THE RESETTLEMENT OF JEWISH REFUGEES IN ALABAMA, 1938 – 1941
PRESENTED BY DAN PUCKETT

ArchiTreats: Food for Thought continues another year of interesting and informative talks on Alabama history at the Alabama Department of Archives and History on Thursday, **April 17th**. Join us at **noon** as Dan Puckett presents *The Resettlement of Jewish Refugees in Alabama, 1938 – 1941*.

Between 1933 and 1939, approximately 90,000 Jewish refugees immigrated to the United States from Germany to avoid Nazi persecution. American Jewish organizations began working to resettle refugees across the country, including in southern states like Alabama. Join us this month as Dan Puckett examines how Alabama's Jewish community responded to the influx of persecuted European Jews in the years preceding World War II. Learn about the obstacles faced by both the community and the refugees and the opportunities for a new life that resettlement provided.

Dan J. Puckett is an associate professor of history at Troy University. He received his Ph.D. at Mississippi State University and is the author of *In the Shadow of Hitler: Alabama's Jews, the Second World War, and the Holocaust*, published by the University of Alabama Press. His work has appeared in *Holocaust and Genocide Studies*, *Alabama Heritage*, and *Southern Jewish History*, among other places. Puckett has been a Starkoff Fellow at the Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives, a Chancellor's Fellow at Troy University, a member of the Alabama Holocaust Commission, and serves on the Board of Directors for the Alabama Historical Association and the Southern Jewish Historical Society. Copies of *In the Shadow of Hitler: Alabama's Jews, the Second World War, and the Holocaust* will be available for purchase at ArchiTreats.

This ArchiTreats presentation is sponsored by the Alabama Media Group. The event is also made possible by the Friends of the Alabama Archives and a grant from the Alabama Humanities Foundation, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The public is invited to bring a sack lunch and enjoy a bit of Alabama history. Complimentary beverages are provided.

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