## #last seen

Welcome to the newsletter of the project #LastSeen. Pictures of Nazi Deportations.

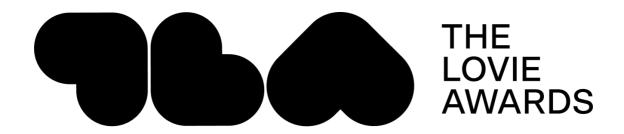
## **Images**

October 15 marked the anniversary of the beginning of systematic deportations from the German Reich to the occupied territories of Eastern and Central Europe. The first systematic mass deportations in the autumn of 1941 started mainly from major German cities such as Berlin, Frankfurt and Hamburg, with deportees being sent to the Litzmannstadt (Łódź) Ghetto. In the next wave, in the autumn and winter of 1941, the destinations shifted to the Baltic States.

The earliest surviving photographs of these systematic mass deportations were taken in Bremen on November 17, 1941. Three images show Jewish men and women and children at the assembly point before deportation to Minsk, Belarus. It is likely that these pictures were taken from the perspective of one of the persecuted: one photograph appears to have been taken unnoticed, while in another the individuals appear unexpectedly relaxed, some even smiling. Of those deported from Bremen on this day, only six survived the Shoah; the others were murdered in the Minsk ghetto or in the extermination camps of Sobibor and Maly Trostinets.

The Image Atlas also contains photographs of deportations from Bielefeld, Breslau, Munich, Stuttgart and Würzburg in 1941.

## **Lovie Awards**



We are thrilled to announce that #LastSeen, in collaboration with the digital studio &why, won four Lovie Awards in November! Our game received two Silver Lovies in the categories "Apps, Platforms & Reference" and "Beyond: Education." Additionally, it won a Bronze Lovie and the People's Lovie in the category "Apps, Platforms & Software: Games."

The Lovie Awards are one of the most prestigious honors for internet excellence in Europe. Often referred to as the European counterpart to the global Webby Awards, they recognize outstanding achievements across various digital categories, including websites, apps, social media, podcasts, and online advertising. Winners are selected by the International Academy of Digital Arts and Sciences (IADAS), a global organization of professionals and innovators in the digital field.

A unique feature of the Lovie Awards is that they are presented in seven European languages, reflecting the cultural diversity of the European internet. Additionally, the "People's Lovie Awards" allow the online audience to vote for their favorites.

## Other news

At the end of October, Alina Bothe, the project lead, presented the #LastSeen game at an alumni event hosted by Yad Vashem. This event provided an opportunity to discuss our educational offering with multipliers and gather valuable feedback.

From November 14 to 17, the international conference "Lessons and Legacies" took place in Claremont, California. During the event, Dr. Maximilian Strnad, our colleague from Public History Munich, presented our project in a workshop to a wide expert audience.

We wish you a healthy and pleasant time as the fall comes to an end!

The team of #LastSeen

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