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OLDEST KNOWN MALE CONCENTRATION CAMP SURVIVOR TO DISCUSS UNBROKEN WILL



Leopold Engleitner, UCLA
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Engleitner, born 1905, will tell his true story, which includes his experiences in World Wars I and II and found the extraordinary courage to refuse to serve in Hitler's army. He suffered unspeakable cruelty in three concentration camps, and on release weighed less than 62 pounds. Astoundingly, he could easily have had his freedom: all he had to do was sign a paper renouncing his religious convictions. He refused to do it.

Between 1999 and 2008, Engleitner traveled more than 57,000 miles across Europe and the US to schools and universities as a witness of history to ensure the past is not forgotten.

The event is cosponsored by the UCLA Center for Jewish Studies and the UCLA Center for European and Eurasian Studies.