Queens Memory's COVID-19 Project Enters Phase 2

Thanks to the kindness of our residents and staff and the amazing generosity of the people of Queens, our Queens Memory COVID-19 Project has been an overwhelming success. Our unique mode of engaging people to collect their stories of the pandemic has been collecting an amazing array of photos, videos, interviews, which tells a real and moving story of the struggle and resilience of our community.

More than 500 items are now available through our tech partner, Urban Archive, with more being uploaded regularly. We are sure you are one of our most recent subscribers. If you wish to add content, just visit our site (www.queensmemory.org) and submit your own story! We want you to submit your voice and visual images now. This is a historical record of our time. You can see more items here: www.queensmemory.org

Queens Memory in the Press

From the New-York Historical Society’s weekly short-form podcast, Hormone: Tales of Frontline Healthcare Workers, listen to two powerful stories of resilience and empathy. In episode 10, “75 Years Ago Today,” Dr. Jerry Hilt, a physician at the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC) on the Upper East Side, describes his experience of working at the Jewish Hospital during the 1937-38 influenza pandemic. Reflecting on the current pandemic, Hilt emphasizes the importance of introducing a “new normal” and recognizing the importance of the U.S. healthcare system.

Finally, we close out this week on a happy note. Our friends at the National Endowment of the Arts have released a new series, "Now Coming to a TV Near You: QM’s COVID-19 Project!" This series features stories from Queens residents who have been affected by the pandemic, showcasing the strength and resilience of our community. The series will premiere on Monday, August 3, and will air every Tuesday at 4 pm EST. To learn more, visit our Facebook page or our Instagram site.