



THE ENEMY ALIEN FILES:

Hidden Stories of
World War II

“The ‘American Alien’...is neither a refugee, nor, at any time, an enemy alien. He is, in reality, an immigrant - a product of American history.”

— Earl G. Harrison, Commissioner of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, September 1941, “Axis Aliens in an Emergency,” *Survey Graphic*.

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This traveling exhibition presents the experience of Italians, Germans and Japanese immigrants in the US and from Latin America during WWII. It explores the treatment of over 31,000 “enemy aliens,” including their exclusion, forced removal, internment, use in prisoner exchanges, and deportation.

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