

Survivor Leesha Rose on her Decision to Join the Resistance Movement

Leesha Rose was brought up in The Netherlands. She was a teenager when the war broke out and later played an important role in the Resistance Movement. In her book, she describes the hardships of the Dutch Jews in the war, as well as the activities of the Resistance Movement.

Coldness entered my heart. Bitter, powerless rage ran through my veins. “How could we allow those Nazi murderers to so disrupt our lives, kill our beloved, and plunder our possessions? And why do we submit to it without offering any resistance? It made it so easy for them to perform their inhuman and evil deeds”.

My mind was resolute now. I was going to join the Underground Resistance Movement.

I was determined that I would not permit myself to be destroyed and I would fight to the bitter end.

Source: Leesha Rose, *The Tulips are Red*, Yad Vashem, Jerusalem 1978, pp.106- 107.