

SPIT SPREADS DEATH!

Does your family have a story about the 1918 influenza pandemic?

For an upcoming [exhibition](#), the Mütter Museum is collecting stories and remembrances about how people in the Philadelphia region coped with the deadly disease. If you are from the Philadelphia area and someone in your family died in the pandemic, or survived and passed down their memories to their descendants, we'd like to hear from you!

We're especially interested in mementos, photographs, or documents of people who experienced the pandemic. Share your story by emailing us at influenza1918@collegeofphysicians.org. We look forward to hearing your history!

We will obtain your permission before sharing your story for the exhibition or social media.



The Oakland Municipal Auditorium, California, in use as a temporary influenza hospital, circa 1918. Photograph by Edward A. "Doc" Rogers. Courtesy of the Oakland Public Library, Oakland History Room and Maps Division, via Calisphere, [copl 058](#)