Hand in Hand
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As Leon Leyson leans back in his chair, he remembers "Little Leon," working the controls of a machine in an enamelware factory. Leon was able to avoid certain death because Oskar Schindler offered a helping hand to him and his family. The train symbolizes the constant threat of death and deportation that awaited many Jews. The grasping hands portray the desperate struggle for survival, the desire to live, and to save others. Hand in hand, Leon Leyson survived the Holocaust, while Oskar Schindler was transformed from a war profiteer to a hero.

