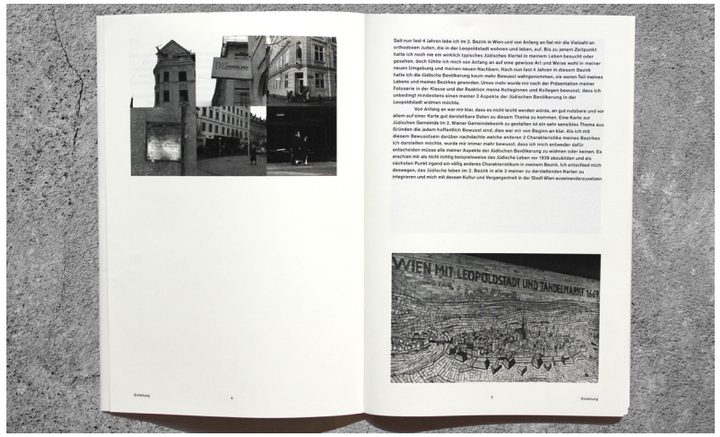
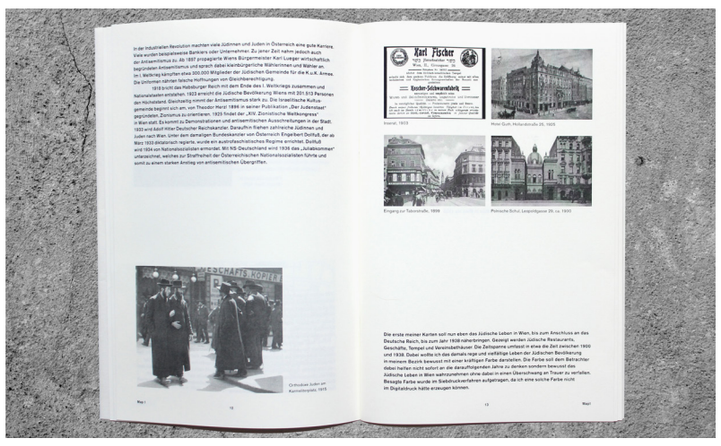
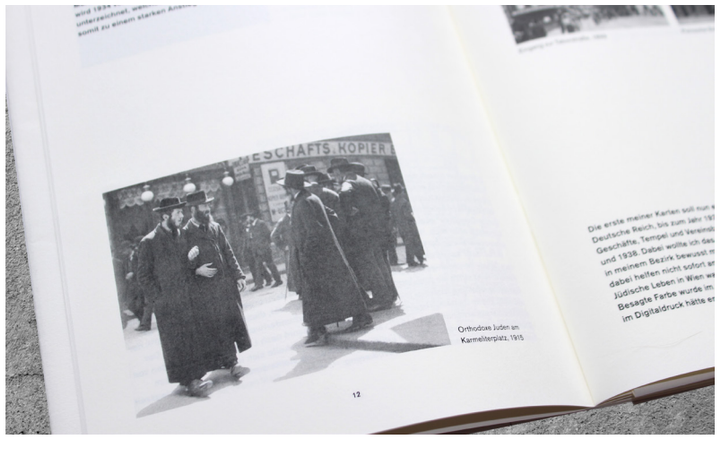
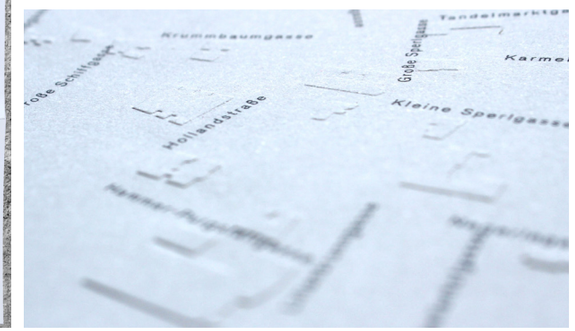
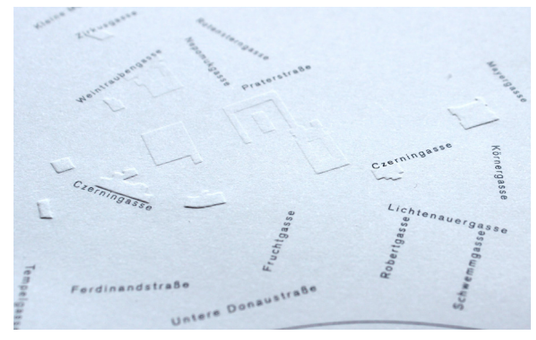
Category: **Student Work**

Project: **A cartographic exploration of the Jewish life in Vienna**

What was the challenge?
The aim of the project was to learn more about the Jewish life of Vienna's Second District. Since I was living in the same neighborhood, it has been a part of my life for years and our lives touched many times. Crucial for this project was to keep in mind that this is still a sensitive subject and by not forgetting the dark history the topic carries. So finding the right way and language to communicate this topic was one of the biggest challenges. After months of intensive research in libraries, the Jewish Museum of Vienna, and district offices, I gathered enough information and data to create visual representations of the information I gathered.

What was the solution?
In the end, I focused my research on three categories:Jewish life in the Second District of Vienna until 1938, the deportations of Jews taking place between 1938 and 1945 in this district, the Jewish life in Vienna's Second District today. I was using maps to show all these three aspects, on three individual maps. The last map contains all three aspects so the viewer can see where Jewish life in Vienna was once to where it is today. I also made a booklet containing the maps, which also tells the history of the Jewish Community in Vienna. The maps contain blind embossing, as well as Riso print on digital print.

What was the effect?
Visually learning about the transformation of the life of this community through the last hundred years. Remembering the past but also looking at present and see how this community evolved again through the years to a thriving neighborhood.

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