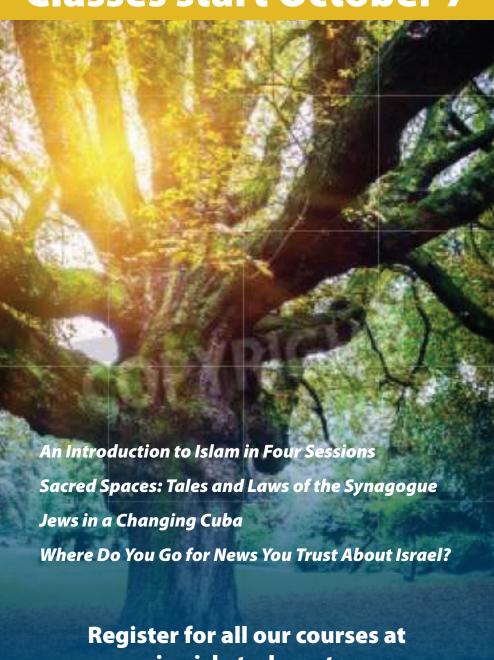
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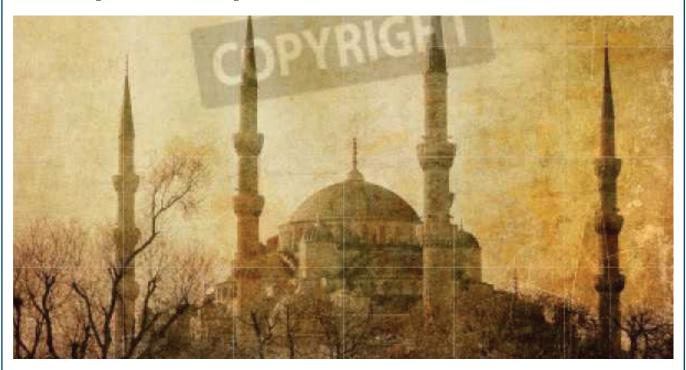
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Introduction to Islam: Culture, Religion and Spirituality
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Four Wednesdays: Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28 at 7:00-8:15 p.m.

Instructor: Muhammad Fraser-Rahim, Howard University

Islam is in the news every day. But if you want to understand it better, where do you start? Join us for this interfaith-friendly introduction. The series will conclude with a separately arranged field trip to the Islamic Heritage Museum of Washington, D.C.



Oct. 7--Introduction -- The World of Islam -- overview, tenets, and theological arguments

Oct. 14--History, Islamic philosophy and spirituality

Oct. 21--Comparative theologies: Points of overlap with Judaism, Christianity; points of divergence

Oct. 28--Muslim communities and the modern world (modernity/terrorism, religious pluralism and identity politics)

Muhammad Fraser-Rahim is a PhD candidate at Howard University in African Studies with a focus on Islamic thought, spirituality and modernity. He studied Islam and Quranic exegesis under the late Imam WD Mohammed. He also worked for more than a decade providing strategic advice and executive branch analytical support on countering violent extremism issues to the White House and the National Security Council.

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Savoring the Psalms

Oct. 14, 21, 28, 8:15-9:25 p.m. Instructor: Amy Schwartz



The 150 religious poems that make up the Book of Psalms are strange and powerful. They form the backbone of both Jewish

and Christian liturgy. Join us in untangling the imagery and emotional thrust of these ancient and yet contemporary texts and in tracing their impact through multiple translations and settings through the centuries. Readings in English.

Amy Schwartz is president of the Jewish Study Center and opinion editor of Moment Magazine.

Adas, JSC members \$40, others \$55

Global Jewish Cultures: France--Resistance to Memory in Vichy and Lyon

Nov. 4, 8:15-9:25

Instructor: Miriam Isaacs



The French cities of Lyon and Vichy each have a stained history when it comes to the treatment of Jews, particularly

during World War II. Klaus Barbie, the so-called "Butcher of Lyon," finally met his punishment in Lyon's Montluc prison. Marshall Petain's collaborationist government in the spa city of Vichy brought many

Jews to their deaths. There are many signs that France is increasingly acknowledging its role in this shameful history, even as many Jews are leaving France in the face of increased anti-Semitism. What are the implications of this difficult process and the effect on Jewish life in France today? *Miriam Isaacs* will explore the dimensions of these questions and offer insights, conversations and observations from a recent visit.

Miriam Isaacs is a scholar of Yiddish literature and recently completed a Fulbright grant in Sweden.

Adas, JSC members \$15, others \$20

Global Jewish Cultures: Jews in a Changing Latin America

Nov. 4, 11, 18, 7:00-8:15 p.m.

Nov. 4--Jews of Cuba—Betty Adler



Life is changing rapidly for Cuba—and for Cuban Jews. Photographer *Betty Adler* was in Cuba on a humanitarian mission the day Alan Gross was released in 2014. Learn about the Jewish community's history in Cuba and see photographs

of its past and present, including the first b'nai mitzvah in 50 years in a small town outside Havana.

Nov. 11—Jews of Ecuador—Betty Adler



Ecuador was settled by Spanish conquistadors, many of them "hidden Jews" or conversos. The session will cover the modern history of a small, but dynamic and well-to-do community arising from the ashes of European Jewry, with many photographs of a

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beautiful country and its synagogues, community centers and schools. The instructor's father arrived much later, in 1939, when Ecuador was one of the few countries still allowing Jews to come from Europe. Photographer and instructor *Betty Adler* was born in Ecuador and has made many visits.

Nov. 18--Jews of El Salvador— Aaron Sztarkman



How a small community at times only 50 families was able to thrive in a sometimes difficult setting. Even during hard times like the Salvadoran civil war during the 1980s, our community didn't stop having services for the

most important holidays. Instructor *Aaron Sztarkman* is a musician and a native of El Salvador.

Series: Adas, JSC members \$40, others \$55. Single sessions \$15/\$20.

Sacred Spaces: Tales and Laws of Synagogues and Study Halls

Nov. 18, Dec. 2, 8:15-9:25 p.m.

Instructor: Norman Shore



Ashrei yoshvei veitecha, says the psalm: Fortunate are those who live in your house. But what makes a synagogue a holy space? The class will read stories and traditional texts on the synagogue as a sacred space, its customs and history. According to the tradition, Abraham created a permanent place to pray, ancient Jerusalem was full of

shtiblech—little prayer-rooms--and Alexandria, Egypt had a mega-shul. Why do we pray in a permanent space and with a regular community? What makes a place holy, and how do we act within it? The focus

will be on the sanctuary, but we will also discuss other roles of the synagogue, as study centers, and, in modern times, a home for community centers, preschools, Hebrew schools and mikvahs. If possible, one session will include a close look at Adas's recently renovated Smith Sanctuary.

Norman Shore is a longtime teacher and a former president and co-founder of the Study Center.

Adas, JSC members \$25, others \$35. Single session \$15/\$20

Panel: Where Do You Go for News You Can Trust About Israel?

A discussion moderated by Robert Satloff

Nov. 11, 7:00 p.m.

"You are entitled to your own opinion," Daniel Patrick Moynihan is supposed to have said, "but not to your own facts." Do people who disagree politically on Israel sometimes seem to be working from different sets of facts? With so many possible sources of news and insight, how do we learn what we know about Israel, and more generally about the Middle East? If you're confused, where should you look for guidance? What should you read? Whose Twitter should you follow? In this panel discussion, journalists, scholars and advocates with different takes on Israeli politics will discuss how they stay informed.

Robert Satloff is executive director of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

Tamara Coffman Wittes is director of the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution. From 2009 through 2012 she was a Deputy Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs at the U.S. State Department.

Paul Scham is executive director of the Joseph and Alma Gildenhorn Institute for Israel Studies at the University of Maryland.

Josh Block is president and CEO of The Israel Project and a former director of strategic communications for AIPAC.

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Rabbi Janice Garfunkel Memorial Lecture, Dec. 2



Rabbi Janice Garfunkel was a Reform rabbi, a director of the Jewish Study Center in the 1990s and a valued member of many local communities, including Adas Israel and its Traditional Egalitarian Minyan. She passed away Oct. 25, 2013, leaving two young daughters, after a valiant battle with cancer. This memorial program, sponsored by the Jewish Study Center in conjunction with her friends and family, is intended as an ongoing tribute to the values she held dear, including family, community, and caring for the sick.

It Takes a Village:

Single Parenting by Choice in the Jewish Community

Lecturer: Sarah Feinberg

The Janice Garfunkel Memorial Lecture Dec. 2, 7:00 p.m.

Does it really take a village to raise a child? Organizational management expert Sarah Feinberg found out when she became a single mother by choice two years ago. Her journey has been chronicled by periodic interviews with the site jewishboston.com and by her own writing at bostoncitymomsblog. She will discuss the new world of parenting, including the crucial role of community, work-life balance, and relationships with her daughter's "donor siblings."

Sarah Feinberg is delighted to be the mother of two-year-old Margalit Penina. By day she specializes in organizational change management and was at Combined Jewish Philanthropies, Greater Boston's Jewish Federation for the past decade. When not working, she enjoys taking pictures, gardening and cooking with her daughter. She's raising her daughter in Brookline, MA.

"Free of charge, please register. Refreshments will be served.



Thursdays at the DCJCC

1529 16th St., NW (Metro—Dupont Circle) Oct. 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Crowdsourcing: Communal Ethics in Judaism and in Real Life
We are proud to cosponsor this class and the opening reception in memory of Barrett Brick
with Congregation Bet Mishpacha



Thursdays, Oct. 29, Nov. 5, 12, 19 from 7:00-8:45 p.m. Instructor: Rabbi Laurie Green

Police Brutality! Political Gridlock! Workplace Politics! What do all these things have in common?

They demonstrate the dysfunction of communities. What does Jewish tradition say about communal

We'll look at controversy and decision making, balancing peace and security, crime and punishment, public accountability and how to oust bad leaders. How should our neighborhoods, schools, synagogues, and workplaces run?

The first class will be preceded by a reception at 6:15 p.m in memory of Barrett Brick (z'l), may his memory be for a blessing. Barrett, a past president of both Bet Mishpacha and the World Congress of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Jews (Keshet Ga'avah), not only had a passion for Torah and a deep interest in Jewish ethics but was always a voice for the sanctity of our community.

To register for the class or RSVP for the reception, contact the DCJCC at 202-518-9400 or www.washingtondcjcc.org

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Tuesday Nights in Dupont Circle

The National Museum of American Jewish Military History 1811 R St. NW (Metro Stop: Dupont Circle—Red Line) Oct. 20, 27, Dec. 1, 7:00 p.m.

Jewish Life in the Military—Three Perspectives

Co-sponsored by the Museum

Tuesdays, Oct. 20, 27, Dec. 1

7:00-8:15 p.m.

Oct. 20-- 'A Truly Jewish Life in the Military'

Instructor: Michael Bloom

A fascinating and little-known history of the ways the American military has supported Jewish life for those in the armed services, starting back in Civil War days with the amazing commitment of Civil War troops to keep as active a Jewish life as possible in extremely difficult circumstances and the innovative ways Civil War soldiers (both North and South) observed Passover and The High Holy Days. Then there's the 100-year-old Armed Forces Siddur/Prayerbook and the story of how, during World War II, the military convened a unique committee of rabbis of all groupings in Judaism to offer halachic and other Jewish legal guidance to soldiers in active service.

Michael Bloom serves as National Deputy Chaplain of the Jewish War Veterans, chaplain of the NMAJMH and chairman of the General Wingate Memorial at Arlington National Cemetery. He is the author of books on national security, law enforcement, Judaism and humor and has lectured widely at area JCCs and synagogues, as well as teaching many courses for the Study Center. He also serves as ba'al koreh (Torah reader) at the Pentagon and as a docent at the Sixth and I Historic Synagogue.

Oct. 27—Jews in the Military Since 1654: A Brief History.

Instructor: Lieutenant Colonel Sheldon Goldberg

A quick introduction to a long and illustrious history, with a chance to tour the museum's new permanent exhibition and a look at Jews who have won the military's Medal of Honor.

Lieutenant Colonel Sheldon Goldberg is a historian and docent for the National Museum of American Jewish Military History. He has had a distinguished



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career in the U.S. Air Force, where he served with the Strategic Air Command and in the headquarters of the Allied Forces Central Europe, and later as a curriculum development chief at the Air War College. After retirement, he served 16 years at the CIA, where he received the Career Intelligence Commendation Medal.

Dec. 1—Military Ethics From a Jewish Perspective: A Chaplain's View.

Instructor: Rabbi Steven I. Rein.

Steven I. Rein is Rabbi of Agudas Achim Congregation in Alexandria, VA. Since 2005 he has served as a reserve chaplain in the United States Air Force, including at bases in Massachusetts, Colorado, Ohio and locally at Bolling AFB (DC), Langley AFB (VA) and Andrews Joint Base (Maryland). He was promoted to Captain in 2010.

Series: JSC, Museum and Jewish War Veterans \$40, others \$55. Single sessions \$15/\$20

Tuesday Nights in Dupont Circle

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Spiritual Challah-Baking

Tuesday, Dec 1, 2014 7:00-8:15 p.m.

Instructor: Susan Finston

Have you ever wanted to experience the aroma of homemade challah in your kitchen on Erev Shabbat? Baking your own challah is a special way to bring the spirituality of Shabbat into your home. This onesession workshop will provide tips on braiding as well as making and baking.

So we will have enough baking supplies, please preregister by November 29!

Susan Finston, a longtime challah enthusiast, has carried her loaves to destinations including Ahmedabad, Beijing, Manila and Bhutan. She is the author of **Dining in the Garden of Eden**, an international vegetarian cookbook.

JSC & Museum members \$20, others \$25





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