



Spring classes in April and May!

Global Jewish Cultures: Jews of Australia

A Taste of Mezze: Mediterranean Jewish Appetizers

Yes, There are Jewish Angels

Celebrate Klez B'Omer!

Wednesdays at Adas Israel Congregation 7 and 8:15 p.m.

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Untangling the Psalms,
April 15, May 13, 20

Global Jewish Cultures: Two sessions

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April 29

A Lost Yiddish Poet in Sweden: The Life of Rachel
Haring Korn, April 22

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Elyon, April 22, 29

Black Hebrews, Black Zionists and African
American Jews, April 29

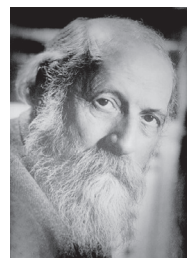
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A Life of Dialogue: The Life and Teachings of
Martin Buber: Three Sessions

- *The Early Years (1878-1923), May 6*
- *Wrestling with the World (1923-1945), May 13*
- *The Later Years and the Legacy (1945-present),*
May 20

Special Events!

Celebrate Klez B'Omer! Lag B'Omer Dance Party
with the Machaya Klezmer Band, May 6



**Life of Dialogue:
A Symposium
Commemorating the
50th Yahrzeit of Martin
Buber. 1878-1965**

Sunday, May 31
1:30pm - 5:30pm
(Doors open at 1:00pm)
Temple Emanuel
10101 Connecticut Ave.
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Several prominent scholars from United States and Israel will help commemorate the 50th Yahrzeit of Martin Buber, one of the most beloved philosophers of the 20th century.

Buber, born in Austria, was a believing humanist, a spiritual Zionist, a proponent of Arab-Jewish co-existence and a founder of the movement for the renewal of Judaism. He is credited with bringing the beauty of Hassidism and the tales of the Hassidic masters to the West. His most famous work, *I and Thou*, is a philosophy of life that continues to have a profound impact on many disciplines today.

Our presenters are Professor Paul Mendes-Flohr of the Hebrew University and the University of Chicago; Rabbi Max Ticktin of the Fabrangens and George Washington University; Sarah Scott, Professor Philosophy at Manhattan College; Rabbi Arthur Waskow of the Shalom Center; and Rabbi Harold White of Georgetown University.

A \$25 donation is suggested. Pre registration requested. You may register and pay on-line by visiting www.am-kolel.org and follow link. A fuller description of the program is also available on our website.

Am Kolel, directed by Rabbi David Shneyer, is the sponsor of the Symposium in partnership with the Jewish Study Center, the Foundation for Jewish Studies, Congregation Beth El Montgomery County, Fabrangens Havurah and Kehila Chadasha.

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April 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20 at 7 and 8:15 p.m.

Untangling the Psalms

April 15, May 13, 20, 8:15-9:25 p.m.

Instructor: Amy Schwartz



The 150 religious poems that make up the Book of Psalms are both strange and familiar, forming the backbone of the liturgy and of form the backbone of our liturgy as well. The metaphors are tangled,

but the emotional states they express are as immediate now as when they were written. We will read, discuss and savor these texts and compare the versions that have come down through the centuries. Readings in English.

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

JSC, Adas members \$55, others \$65

Global Jewish Cultures: Jews of Australia

April 22, 7-8:15 p.m.

Instructor: Gary Fellman

There are Jews down under! Jews have been a part of the building of Australia since the time of the first fleet. Join Gary Fellman, the former President of the Australian Capital Jewish Territory, for a trip through the history of the Down Under Jewish community.

Gary Fellman attended the Yeshiva of Eastern Parkway and has been an active member of Jewish communities on three continents, including Australia.

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

With Mezze of the Mediterranean Jews (April 29):

Adas, JSC members \$35, others \$45

A Lost Yiddish Poet in Sweden: The Life of Rachel Haring Korn

April 22, 7 p.m.-8:15 p.m.

Instructor: Miriam Isaacs

Discover a Yiddish poet! Born in rural Poland, this

remarkable woman was able to carry on a career as a Yiddish writer through World War II. After she survived the war in Uzbekistan, Korn was invited into the PEN international writers' organization and brought to Stockholm for a conference. She remained there at the invitation of a Swedish nobleman until 1948, when she moved to Montreal, Canada, where she pursued a distinguished literary career until her death. This session will focus on how, through her writing, she was able to channel what she lived through, for instance in the theme of homelessness expressed in her volume *Home and Homelessness*, published in Buenos Aires in 1948.

Miriam Isaacs, a professor of Yiddish literature, spent part of last year on a Fulbright Scholarship in Sweden.

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Yes, There Are Angels in Jewish Tradition: Malachei Elyon

April 22, 29, 8:15-9:25 p.m.

Instructor: Norman Shore



Angels play an important role in bridging the distance between the human and the divine—and also in emphasizing that difference. We quote their singing in the kedusha, our holiest moment of prayer. They accompany the Shabbat Queen. In traditional stories, they oppose the creation of humanity and the giving of the Torah. They appear

in human form as God's messengers and stop the sacrifice of Isaac. They are named and not named. They precede human existence; or they are ephemeral. The class will dip into a small sample of the many texts in which angels play an important role, looking at passages from the Bible, rabbinic literature and the liturgy.

Norman Shore is a veteran teacher and a co-founder of the Jewish Study Center.

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Global Jewish Cultures: Mezze of the Mediterranean Jews

April 29, 7-8:15 p.m.

Instructor: Susan Barocas



Across lands of the former Ottoman Empire--including Turkey, the Balkans, Israel, Lebanon, Iran

and Syria--a good meal must start with mezze. This selection of small appetizer dishes varies according to season and local flavors and traditions, often presenting some well-known dishes such as hummus and babaghanoush. The group will talk about mezze in various countries and enjoy a demonstration of the preparation of several vegetarian mezze with time for tasting and recipes to take home and enjoy.

Susan Barocas is a foodie, writer, filmmaker and sometimes caterer who loves teaching about and sharing good food. She was the founding director of Jewish Food Experience and recently served as guest chef for the White House Seder for the second year in a row.

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With Jews of Australia (April 22):

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Don't Miss These Special Spring Events at the National Museum for American Jewish Military History, 1811 R St. NW.

All events free and at the museum unless otherwise noted

Sunday, April 26th at 1 p.m. David Max Eichhorn: The GI's Rabbi.

Mark Zaid will present the story of his grandfather, Rabbi David Max Eichhorn, the Jewish chaplain who conducted the first religious services at Dachau after the liberation of the concentration camp in April 1945. *Mark Zaid* is the editor of *The GI's Rabbi: World War II Letters of David Max Eichhorn*.

Friday, May 22 at 6 p.m. Annual National Memorial Day Shabbat Service

At Sixth and I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St., NW

NMAJMH, Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. and 6th & I Historic Synagogue are co-sponsoring the Fifth Annual National Shabbat Service Honoring the Jewish Fallen Heroes of Iraq and Afghanistan. Register to attend the dinner and service on Sixth and I Historic Synagogue website. There is an admission fee for cocktail hour and dinner. The service is free.

Sunday, June 14, 1 p.m. Mark Lee Greenblatt, Valor

Mark Lee Greenblatt, author of *Valor*, will present true stories of extraordinary heroism by American troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Sunday, July 5 at 1 p.m. Marc Leepson, Uriah Levy and Monticello

Marc Leepson, author of *Saving Monticello*, will discuss U.S. Navy Commodore Uriah Levy and the Levy family's remarkable role in saving the home of Thomas Jefferson.

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Black Hebrews, Black Zionists and African American Jews

April 29, 7-8:15 p.m.

Instructor: Thomas Timberg

Since their earliest days, U.S. Jews and Jewish institutions have had occasional African American members, from a pre-Civil War Charleston synagogue whose one black member was mentioned in press accounts to significant numbers of African American Jews today. The so-called Black Hebrews are a distinct movement with their own institutions, as are the Black Zionists—a group of Black Hebrews from Chicago even ended up making aliyah and settling in Dimona, Israel—but relationships and interconnections have grown over the years. We'll survey a little-known history of unexpected kinships, with good will, ill will and frequent misunderstanding.

Dr. Thomas Timberg is an independent scholar and economist and a member of Congregation Am HaTorah, Bethesda.

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

Klez b'Omer! Celebrate the Lag B'Omer holiday with Machaya

May 6, 7:30-9:30 p.m.



Join us for a Klezmer dance party in celebration of Lag B'Omer, the 33rd day of the long haul from Passover to Shavuot. Join the famed klezmer band Machaya for music and dancing, light refreshments and a little background on the holiday. If you've never attended Machaya's popular Klezmer Club events, try them at Adas's convenient location.

Those attending 7 p.m. classes can come afterward for half price.

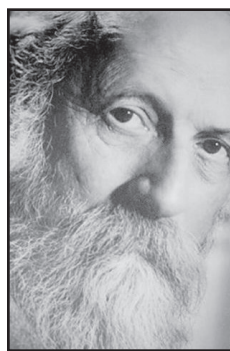
Machaya band leader *Jay McCrensky* is a Jewish Study Center board member and teacher of Jewish studies and Kabbalah at St. Mary's University.

Adas, JSC members \$10, others \$15

A Life of Dialogue: The Life and Teachings of Martin Buber

May 6, 13, 20, 7-8:15 p.m.

Instructor: Rabbi David Shneyer



This special class is offered in celebration of the 50th yearzeit of Martin Buber, perhaps the most prominent Jewish philosopher of the 20th century. Rabbi David Shneyer, a long time devotee, will offer three sessions focusing on Buber's contributions and leading up to a full-day symposium on Buber sponsored by Am Kolel on May 31.

May 6--The Early Years (1878-1923)

Buber's childhood and his encounters with western philosophers, Zionism and Hassidim. During this time he writes *Legends of the Baal Shem*, *The Renewal of Judaism* and *I and Thou*.

May 13--Wrestling with the World (1923-1945).

Buber's ideas are refined through Arab-Jewish existence on the land, the emergence of Biblical Humanism, thoughts on good and evil, ecumenism, and applying the concepts in *I and Thou*.

May 20--The Later Years and the Legacy (1945-present)

Buber's efforts on behalf of Arab-Jewish rapprochement and his meaning for today.

Recommended reading: *Martin Buber's Life and Works* by Maurice Friedman, *I and Thou*, *Tales of the Hassidim*, *A Land of Two Peoples*

Reb David Shneyer is the founder and spiritual leader of The Am Kolel Jewish Renewal Community of Greater Washington. He also serves the Kehila Chadasha Havurah and directs the Sanctuary Retreat Center.

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