



Upcoming Programs, Purim Giving, Shul Visits and More – February 13, 2023

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ON ANTISEMITISM

Enough is Enough: A Community Conversation on Antisemitism

Monday, February 13, 7:00 pm EST (online)

(presented by CJP)

Combined Jewish Philanthropies (CJP) will host another program in their *Bold Conversations* series about rising antisemitism in Greater Boston and around the country. The featured speaker will be Jonathan Greenblatt, CEO and National Director of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL).

Learn more and register here - https://www.eventbrite.com/e/enough-is-enough-a-community-conversation-on-antisemitism-tickets-520679495387?utm_medium=email&_hsmi=243980625&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-D3yr8Gh_SgaGBfPqX2qe67KB_XyyNM1q50Zu6cH6HzJQLP0Czd_C2oF1ql3tS4YY7xpPI7Pr49ekjTi0HoFyYMNz6sg&utm_content=243980625&utm_source=hs_email

THE TASTE OF JEWISH CULTURE



Please join us as we continue our online exploration of Jewish food traditions and the historical connections between Jews and food with Jewish Food researcher Joel Haber. Our third session, *Crackers, Crepes and Cheese: Jewish Culinary Traditions From Passover to Shavuot*, will be held on Wednesday, March 15 at 7:00 pm EDT.

More information and registration - <https://walnutstreetsynagogue.com/the-taste-of-jewish-culture/>

CSP

We are pleased to be a partner congregation of the Orange County Jewish **Community Scholar Program (CSP)**. Please join us at an upcoming program!



Curating Between Hope and Despair: Creating POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews
Sunday, February 19, 7:00 pm EST (online)

POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews aspires to be an agent of transformation that can move an entire society forward. Its mission is to recover the history of Polish Jews and transmit the legacy of the civilization they created to future generations. Winner of the 2016 European Museum of the Year Award, POLIN Museum features a multimedia narrative exhibition dedicated to the thousand-year history of Jewish life. The history of Polish Jews presented at POLIN Museum offers a golden opportunity to recover the historic diversity of Poland and foster dialogue in the spirit of mutual understanding and respect. This talk will take you into the exhibition and behind the scenes to reveal how the exhibition was created. It will conclude by posing several questions. Why was it so important to create this museum, which faces the Monument to the Ghetto Heroes and stands on the site of the former Warsaw Ghetto and prewar Jewish neighborhood? What accounts for its extraordinary success? What impact is it having? How is it addressing current crises? And, last but not least, what makes Jewish museums in Europe more urgent and often more interesting than Jewish museums elsewhere?

Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett is University Professor Emerita and Professor Emerita of Performance Studies at New York University and Ronald S. Lauder Chief Curator of the Core Exhibition at POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews, in Warsaw. Her books include *Destination Museum: Tourism, Museums, and Heritage*; *Image before My Eyes: A Photographic History of Jewish Life in Poland, 1864–1939* (with Lucjan Dobroszycki); *They Called Me Mayer July: Painted and Memories of a Jewish Childhood in Poland Before the Holocaust* (with Mayer Kirshenblatt); *The Art of Being Jewish in Modern Times* (with Jonathan Karp), and *Anne Frank Unbound: Media, Imagination, Memory* (with Jeffrey Shandler). She was awarded the 2021 Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Folklore Society, honored for lifetime achievement by the Foundation for Jewish Culture, received honorary doctorates from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, University of Haifa, and Indiana University, the 2015 Marshall Sklare Award for her contribution to the social scientific study of Jewry, and was decorated with the Officer's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland. She was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and awarded the Dan David Prize. She has served on Advisory Boards for the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, Council of American Jewish Museums, Jewish Museum Vienna, Jewish Museum Berlin, and the Jewish Museum and Tolerance Center in Moscow, and as Vice-Chair of ICMEMO International Committee of Memorial Museums in Remembrance of the Victims of Public Crimes. She also advises on museum and exhibition projects in Lithuania, Belarus, Albania, Israel, New Zealand, and the United States.

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYlduGorzssG9Jk1xpxb8gDDtnH1wWP4G3?utm_source=CS&utm_campaign=d2e0f9237a-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_04_03_04_55_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_5ee28fcb1-d2e0f9237a-386548940

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Israel at 75

Part 5 – What's in Store for Israel's Next 75 Years? - Tuesday, March 14, 7:30 pm EDT (online)
(presented by the Lappin Foundation)

LAPPIN FOUNDATION

Israel@75!

1948 - 2023

As Israel's 75th anniversary approaches, join Ido Aharoni for a look back at influential leaders, and a peek at what may lie ahead.

Global Distinguished Professor for International Relations at NYU's Graduate School of Arts and Science

Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. on Zoom

November 1, 2022 Zionism: Herzl's Dream, Israel's Reality

December 13, 2022 Part 1 - The Influencers: David Ben Gurion, Golda Meir and Yitzhak Rabin

January 10, 2023 Part 2 - The Influencers: Menachem Begin, Shimon Peres, Ariel Sharon, and Benjamin Netanyahu

February 7, 2023 Israel Today: The Promise of a New Government

March 14, 2023 What's in Store for Israel's Next 75 Years?

The series is free and everyone is welcome thanks to a generous grant from the Dr. David M. Milch Family Foundation.

For more information, contact Sharon Wyner swyner@lappinfoundation.org, 978-565-4450.

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The Walnut Street Synagogue is pleased to be a community partner of the *Israel at 75* series, presented by the Lappin Foundation. In advance of Israel's 75th anniversary, Ido Aharoni, Global Distinguished Professor for International Relations at NYU's Graduate School of Arts and Science, will look back at influential leaders and take a peek at what may lie ahead. Everyone is welcome thanks to a generous grant from the Dr. David M. Milch Family Foundation.

Event flyer - <https://walnutstreetsynagogue.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Israel-at-75-Flyer.pdf>

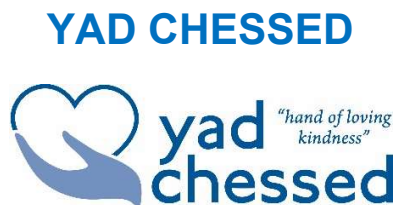
Register here - <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUvf-GqqzwrHtbufQg4zgF6W58LFOMs3-Ds>

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

CJP Plan to Combat Antisemitism

Combined Jewish Philanthropies (CJP) has developed a five-point plan to combat rising antisemitism in Massachusetts. They are seeking stories for their mobilization campaign to fight back. If you have experienced antisemitism in any form at any time, join them and say enough is enough! Stories can be of any length and can be submitted anonymously.

Learn more and submit your story - https://ma.cjp.org/antisemitism-initiative?utm_medium=email&_hsmi=242516332&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-8piPFwRIOAngV1FjDVXXeIE7CFvNOeLiBRY3cKJdYxA4Bkf52EYo8gyeKxNbFERCrdGShgPq2isWbm1yEdUnY1F2anzQ&utm_content=242516332&utm_source=hs_email#form



PURIM

From now until Purim Day (11:00 am on Tuesday, March 7, 2023), our community is partnering with Yad Chessed to raise funds to fulfill the mitzvah of Matanot **LaEvyonim** (gifts to people in need on Purim Day). If you would like to help people in need buy food on Purim Day, visit their website at yadchedded.org/purim.

Donate online - <https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/yadcheddedpurim> Please insert "Walnut Street Synagogue" in the "Synagogue/School Affiliation" box

Donate by mail - Checks can be sent in advance of Purim to Yad Chessed at 440 Totten Pond Road, Suite 401, Waltham, MA 02451. Please include "Walnut Street Synagogue" in the memo line of the check.

ABOUT YAD CHESSED

Yad Chessed helps Jewish individuals and families who struggle with financial hardship pay their bills and buy food. As a social services agency rooted in the Jewish values of kindness (chesed) and charity (tzedakah), they are committed to helping those in need navigate a path toward financial stability while preserving their privacy and dignity. They provide emergency financial assistance, grocery gift cards and compassionate advice for those trying to make ends meet. Hundreds of families and individuals throughout the state rely on Yad Chessed to provide for their essentials, and even at times, a Jewish burial for a loved one.

Members of our community, as well as others in the Jewish community, who need assistance may contact Yad Chessed by phone at 781-487-2693 or by Email at intake@yadchedded.org for a confidential conversation. Questions can be directed to info@yadchedded.org.

SHUL VIDEO

In the below video you will learn about the history of our historic shul and see all of our distinguishing elements on a virtual tour. This video is narrated by Dr. Samuel Gruber and was created by CSP as the first video in their Art and Architecture Series.

Video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bxIW8lOLfyg>

VISIT

If you live in the Boston area and have never seen our historic shul or if you plan to visit the area, we welcome you to see our shul in person and take a tour! For more information, please follow the link below.

Visitor Information - <https://walnutstreetsynagogue.com/visit/>

SYNAGOGUE FAMILY

Do you have milestones such as marriages, births, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, special birthdays, graduations, etc. to share with our synagogue family? If so, please submit details to central.walnutstreetshul@gmail.com to be included in our weekly announcements. Photos are welcome!

VOLUNTEER

Do you have time to volunteer and help us grow? Please complete our Volunteer Interest Form. <https://form.jotform.com/202885558815165>

GIVING

Please visit our Giving page to send tributes, recognize yahrzeits and make other general donations to support the synagogue. Donations can be made online or through the mail. <https://walnutstreetsynagogue.com/giving/>

VISIT US ONLINE

Website

<https://walnutstreetsynagogue.com/>

Facebook Page - Walnut Street Synagogue

<https://www.facebook.com/WalnutStreetSynagogue>

Facebook Group - Jews of Chelsea, MA Then and Now

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChelseaJews>



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