



## The Taste of Jewish Culture, A History of Jewish Servicemen in America's Armed Forces, Upcoming Programs, Shul Visits and More – May 22, 2023

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**Shavuot begins this coming Thursday evening!**  
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### THE TASTE OF JEWISH CULTURE



#### **A Virtual Taste of Machane Yehuda Market**

Wednesday, June 14, 7:00 pm EDT (online)

Shuk Machane Yehuda, Jerusalem's famous outdoor market, is the beating heart of the city. It reflects the history of modern Jerusalem, while providing food for (and by) the many diverse communities of people who regularly shop there. This virtual tour explores the shuk's highlights and hidden gems while reveling in the sensory overload that makes the market so special. 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.

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

Registration - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-taste-of-jewish-culture-tickets-460627538367>

### **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!



### **Performance Art, Religious Practice & Daily Life**

Monday, May 22, 3:30 pm EDT (online)

The intersections between art and religion weave human nature and history with surprising connections, and what seems far at first glance can be found in our daily lives. This lecture will explore the unique world of performance art and see how it's intimately connected with religious practice. Then, looking at international and Israeli art examples and Judaism, Islam, and Zen Buddhism, we'll open our eyes to a new form of expression, beauty, and gratitude that goes beyond words.

**Shirel Horovitz** is a talented artist who uses installations and performances to create deliberate interruptions in daily life, proposing alternative rituals and spaces for reflection. Coming from Tel Aviv, Israel, Shirel Horovitz is serving as the the Jewish Community Foundation Orange County's newly reimagined Weissman Arts Program month-long artist in residence. With a BFA from Bezalel Academy of Art and Design and an MA from The Interdisciplinary Art Program in Tel Aviv University, she is a recipient of the Rabinovitch Art Fund Foundation Prize (2018). Her work has been exhibited in galleries, museums, and art festivals in Israel and in the USA.

[https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMsfuqtqTsvEtAT8OqqjMgORQhe3vaSDe\\_Y?utm\\_source=CSP&utm\\_campaign=3cd9e43534-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2020\\_04\\_03\\_04\\_55\\_COPY\\_01&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_5ee28fcb1-3cd9e43534-386548940#/registration](https://us06web.zoom.us/join/zoom-join?meeting=3cd9e43534-386548940#registration)

### **The Audacity of Faith**

**Part 4** - Tuesday, May 23, 1:00 pm EDT (online)

Faith by definition is required at the very moment when we are in doubt, unable to see our way forward. What do we do when in the moments when we most need our faith, we find ourselves at a loss, unable to say, I believe? In this session, we'll turn to the writings of several important modern Jewish thinkers to uncover their own teachings and struggles with faith. From the ghetto of Warsaw and the writings of Rabbi Kalonymus Kalman Shapira to the modern poetry of Israeli poet Yehuda Amichai, we'll ask: what is the nature of faith, what do we do when we find ourselves without it, and on whom or what might we rely in moments of struggle?

**Rabbi Avi Strausberg** is the Director of National Learning Initiatives at Hadar, and is based in Washington, DC. She received her rabbinic ordination from Hebrew College in Boston and is a Wexner Graduate Fellow. She also holds a Masters in Jewish Education. Energized by engaging creatively with Jewish text, she has written several theatre pieces inspired by the Torah and maintains a Daf Yomi haiku blog in which she writes daily Talmudic haikus.

[https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUoce6grzsvE9TwGBjjZpJxm90kbp1fdmVE?utm\\_source=CSP&utm\\_campaign=0c87062af8-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2020\\_04\\_03\\_04\\_55\\_COPY\\_01&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_5ee28fcb1-0c87062af8-386548940#/registration](https://us06web.zoom.us/join/zoom-join?meeting=0c87062af8-386548940#registration)

## **COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

### **Shield of David – A History of Jewish Servicemen in America's Armed Forces**

Tuesday, May 23, 7:30 pm EDT (online)  
*(presented by the Lappin Foundation)*

The Walnut Street Synagogue is pleased to be a community partner of *Shield of David – A History of Jewish Servicemen in America's Armed Forces*, presented by the Lappin Foundation. Please join us for a virtual program commemorating Memorial Day with Chaim Rosenberg, author of a book with the same title as the program.

**Event flyer** - <https://walnutstreetsynagogue.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Shield-of-David-Memorial-Day-Flyer-5-23-23.pdf>

**Register here** - <https://www.lappinfoundation.org/2023/03/27/a-history-of-jewish-servicemen-in-americas-armed-forces/>



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 (chessed) 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@yadchessed.org](mailto:intake@yadchessed.org) for a confidential conversation. Questions can be directed to [info@yadchessed.org](mailto:info@yadchessed.org).

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**Support Yad Chessed** - <https://givebutter.com/yadchessed>

## COMMUNITY PROJECTS

### CJP Plan to Combat Antisemitism

Combined Jewish Philanthropies (CJP) has developed a plan to combat rising antisemitism in Massachusetts. They have also recently launched their Face Jewish Hate campaign. Their campaign combines the real-life stories of antisemitic incidents happening in Greater Boston to draw attention to this issue and a resource center focused on educating, mobilizing and empowering our community. |

**Learn more** -

[https://www.facejewishhate.org/?utm\\_campaign=FaceJewishHate&utm\\_medium=email&\\_hsmi=258118072&\\_hsenc=p2ANqtz-82edGNbXkPO501V6avGb4y0al9s9NhnP2ma4wQQuGfCqG1q-9W7xflDgT5uQQ2tjtTeo-6tGoLAXLabNBUchEb2ZHeUCavJJbGva9mvhc8ha60ydE&utm\\_content=258118072&utm\\_source=hs\\_email](https://www.facejewishhate.org/?utm_campaign=FaceJewishHate&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=258118072&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-82edGNbXkPO501V6avGb4y0al9s9NhnP2ma4wQQuGfCqG1q-9W7xflDgT5uQQ2tjtTeo-6tGoLAXLabNBUchEb2ZHeUCavJJbGva9mvhc8ha60ydE&utm_content=258118072&utm_source=hs_email)

## 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](mailto: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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