



Summer Appeal, Taste of Jewish Culture, Crossroads and Connections, Upcoming Programs, Shul Visits and More – July 24, 2023

TISHA B'AV BEGINS WEDNESDAY EVENING

SUMMER 2023 APPEAL

Our Summer Appeal is underway. We welcome your support at any level. Donations can be made online or through the mail. Thank you for your continuing support!

More information and Online Donations - <https://walnutstreetsynagogue.com/summer-2023-appeal/>

THE TASTE OF JEWISH CULTURE



Not Just Apples and Honey: Rosh Hashana Foods and Their Many Meanings

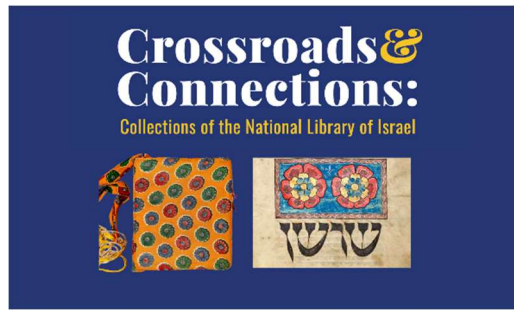
Wednesday, September 6, 7:00 pm EDT (online)

We all know that we “dip the apple in the honey” on Rosh Hashana. But there are so many more symbolic foods that Jews around the world eat on the holiday. What do all of these foods mean? Why is symbolism such a big part of this holiday? How legit are newly-coined symbols at the Rosh Hashana table? And most importantly, what do these traditions say about our people? 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>

CROSSROADS AND CONNECTIONS



The Walnut Street Synagogue is pleased to partner with the National Library of Israel (NLI) and NLI-USA to present the **Crossroads and Connections** virtual exhibition. The NLI is home to the intellectual and cultural treasures of Israel and the Jewish people worldwide. In celebration of Israel's 75th anniversary year, NLI presents this exhibition of 18 highlights from their collection which represent cultural and religious creativity in Israel past and present. Two alternatives are available to access the exhibition - video format and digital format which includes images of each item and additional links to relevant resources. Please follow the link below for more information and for access to the exhibition.

Crossroads and Connections exhibition - walnutstreetsynagogue.com/crossroads-and-connections

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!

Unifying Narratives – CSP Scholar Series Finale with Dr. Mendelsohn

Monday, July 24, 3:30 pm EDT (online)

We warmly invite you to join us for the concluding session of our 22nd Annual One Month Scholar Series featuring Dr. David Mendelsohn. Over the past month, we've journeyed through the intricate tapestry of Muslim and Jewish histories, challenging misconceptions and unveiling a shared narrative of mutual respect, joint intellectual prosperity, and conflicts rooted more in politics than theology. In this final session, Dr. Mendelsohn will share some of his favorite anecdotes from his extensive travels in the Muslim world, bringing a personal touch to this broad historical panorama. As we wrap up our insightful exploration, spanning from the Golden Age of Islamic Civilization to contemporary political dynamics, we invite you to delve deeper, engage in thought-provoking discussions, and gain further insights into this compelling topic. Don't miss out on this opportunity to add a final piece to this enlightening puzzle.

Dr. David Mendelsohn supervises the entire academic program of Kivunim. His areas of expertise include Islamic Studies, History and Culture of Arabs with Israeli Citizenship, Bedouin Law and the relationship between language and culture in Arabic and Hebrew. His current research examines the influence of Hebrew on the dialects of Arabic spoken in Israel. Mendelsohn also lectures on the history and relationships between Middle East countries and militant organizations. David holds advanced degrees in diverse fields: a PhD Classics / Linguistics, an MA in Archaeology / Linguistics and an Honours BA in Classical Studies. David is the recipient of one of Canada's highest academic honors, The Trudeau Prize, and is a world medalist in wrestling. He lives in Jerusalem with his wife Ronny and three children. *This program is fully funded by a grant from the Jewish Community Foundation Orange County.*

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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 (chessed) and charity (zedakah), 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 for a confidential conversation. Questions can be directed to info@yadchessed.org.
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-82edGNbXkPO501V6avGb4y0al9s9NhnP2ma4wQQQuGfCqG1q-9W7xfIDgT5uQQ2tjtTeo-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=bxIW8IOLfyg>

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

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

Facebook Group - Jews of Chelsea, MA Then and Now

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



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