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June 23, 2021 - 13 Tamuz 5781

JCA PROGRAMS

EXPLORING OPERA: NOTABLE NAPOLI

*In partnership with the National JCC Adult & Senior Alliance,
hosted by the Osher Marin JCC*

Thursday, June 24th | 4:00-5:30 PM EST



Opened in 1737, Naples' Teatro di San Carlo is the oldest continuously active venue for opera in the world. Join instructor James Sokol to learn interesting tidbits about this notable theater and some of the masterpieces that premiered there. Experience some of these gorgeous operas with video performance clips, which bring the beauty of this soaring art form into the discussion. A great class for the opera newcomer and the longtime fan! **Tickets:** \$12.50 - \$15

[Register](#)

STILL TRAVELING: Neglected Napoli

*In partnership with the National JCC Adult & Senior Alliance,
hosted by the Osher Marin JCC*

Monday, June 28th | 2:00-3:15 PM EST



Capital of the province of Campania and third largest city in Italy, Napoli (Naples) has been overlooked by many visitors for years. Some thought it was dangerous, others heard it was uninteresting. Today, it is neither. Naples is a vibrant city, steeped in history and traditions. Let trip leader James Sokol Zoom you to meet our fantastic professional local guide to go on four "trips" to uncover and discover the treasures of this neglected southern Italian gem! **Tickets:** \$15-\$50

[Register](#)

TORAH CONVERSATIONS

An online weekly study group facilitated by Ellie Miller

Thursdays, 10:00 – 11:00 AM

**Last two sessions before we take a summer break: June 24,
July 1**



Weekly sessions will resume in the fall.

We continue our journey through the book of Genesis, engaged in a careful reading of every word of the text. We focus on language and structure along with the tales the text imparts.

This is a weekly gathering, informed by various translations of the Hebrew text and a variety of commentaries, ancient and modern. All are welcome to participate on a drop-in basis – no prior experience is necessary. A text of the Hebrew Bible is required - all translations are appropriate.

To join the study group email list and receive the Zoom link, weekly readings and schedule updates, contact our volunteer Diane Newman.

[Email Diane for the Zoom link](#)

AROUND THE JEWISH WORLD

*Local programs highlighted in light blue

COOKING IN YIDDISH: Highlights from the Yiddish Book Center's Collection, with Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett

Presented by the Yiddish Book Center

Thursday, June 24th | 7 PM ET



Yiddish cookbooks tell fascinating stories about their authors, publishers, and intended readers. Drawing on gems in the Yiddish Book Center's collection, this talk by scholar and Jewish cookbook collector Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett will explore what this unique literary genre can reveal about Jewish life.

[Register](#)

Jewish Cemetery Association of North America (JCANA) 2021 Virtual Conference

June 28th & 29th | 7PM & 11AM EST



June 28th session: *How We Got Here: What a history of Jewish cemeteries in New York can inform us about our current array of cemeteries.*

June 29th session: *Is Consolidation the Future for Jewish Cemeteries? Analyzing Different Models for Acquiring and Preserving Vulnerable Cemeteries*

[Register](#)

LIKE NO OTHER COUNTRY: THE REMARKABLE RESCUE OF DENMARK'S JEWS

Presented by the Temple Emanuel Streicker Center

Tuesday, June 29th | 11:30 AM EDT | Free



On October 1, 1943, the Germans came for Denmark's Jews. Almost no one was home. Warned by their Christian neighbors of the Nazi plan to deport them to concentration camps, they'd found shelter with friends, in churches, hospitals and schools. More than 90 percent of Danish Jewry survived World War II, and we are honored to share the extraordinary story of the bravery and kindness of the Danish people during our darkest hour in collaboration with *Thanks To Scandinavia* — an organization that commemorates those communities and countries whose heroic actions helped save thousands of Jews during WWII.

[Register](#)

JUDAISM & PARENTING: SUPPORTING THE INTELLECTUAL AND EMOTIONAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN AND ONE ANOTHER

Presented by Hebrew Union College (HUC)

Tuesday, June 29th | 3:00 PM ET



Discover new strategies to enrich your (grand) children's lives, from fostering creativity to supporting their intellectual and emotional needs. With Sivan Zakai, Ph.D., Lauren Applebaum, Ed.D, and Rabbi Jordi Schuster Battis

[Register](#)

VIRTUAL SUMMER SYMPOSIUM: Hope, Love & Compassion: Torah of Possibility for an Uncertain Future

Presented by the Shalom Hartman Institute

Monday, July 5 - Thursday, July 15



Our largest public learning program of the year and is open to all who wish to attend, free of charge. Register now for more than 30 sessions including featured lectures, electives, and evening conversations.

Join top Hartman scholars to explore a Torah of Possibility and what the Jewish future could look like: What could an Israel-Diaspora relationship look like? What could a new understanding of antisemitism look like? What could Zionism look like? Join us to explore these questions, and more! With Tal Becker, Rachel Fish, Micah Goodman, Elana Stein Hain, Rachel Korazim, and Donniel Hartman.

[Register](#)

THREE NEW EXHIBITIONS July 1st - August 13th

Maine Jewish Museum, 267 Congress Street, Portland

Opening reception: Thursday, July 1st | 5-7 PM

-Forces of Nature by Janis Goodman

-A Sense of Place: Landscapes Near & Far by Toby Gordon

-Paris Street Dance by Richard Wexler



Hours: Sunday through Friday 12-4 PM, closed Saturdays

[For More Information](#)

KIDS' SUMMER FUNTENSIVE

With the Center for Small Town Jewish Life at Temple Beth El, Augusta

July 19 - 23, 2021



We are thrilled to welcome our friends back for a week of games, learning, art, songs, and more—in person! We will be strictly adhering to national, state, and Colby College COVID-19 guidelines, and will be meeting outside only, requiring masks, and maintaining safe distance. A full list of our guidelines will be available in June.

We will update this program with hours soon. For more info, please contact Rabbi Erica Asch (rabbiasch@gmail.com) or Mel Weiss (maweiss@colby.edu).

[Register](#)

Maine Jewish Museum Hall of Fame 2020 Induction Ceremony

Presented by Dorothy Suzi Osher in Memory of Alfred Osher
SAVE THE DATE - September 19, 2021 | 3:00 PM

MJM's 2020 Hall of Fame Induction will finally occur this September 19th, 2021 with a garden reception and ceremony at the Museum, a year after originally scheduled. The Induction Ceremony program will feature **Master of Ceremonies and Host - Irwin Gratz** and **Keynote Speaker - Rabbi Rachel Isaacs**.



Register

YOGA & FITNESS

OUTDOOR YOGA IN PAYSON PARK

With Ashley Flowers Yoga

Wednesdays | 5:30 – 6:30 PM



There is no better place to practice yoga than outdoors with the grass beneath your toes, and the wind in your hair! Practicing outside also allows us ample space for social distancing and lots of fresh air. Find a deeper sense of connection to yourself, to mother earth, and to your community with in-person, outdoor yoga! Pre-registration required through Ashley's website. Class location will be emailed to registered attendees.

Register

ONLINE YOGA CLASSES

With JCA instructor Ashley Flowers

- **Monday - 5:30 PM Evening Yoga**
- **Tuesday - 11:30 AM Midday Yoga**
- **Wednesday - 9:00 AM Rise & Flow Yoga**
- **Thursday - 10:15 AM Midday Yoga**
- **Friday - 9:00 AM Rise & Flow Yoga**



Classes are \$5/session. Plus enjoy several free yoga/meditation videos [here!](#)

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JCA NEWS & UPDATES

Employment Opportunity at the JCA

The JCA is hiring a full-time **Outreach, Membership, and PJ Library Coordinator** to help us strengthen the connections and relationships between our programs and community, and to oversee and implement the JCA's Membership and PJ Library programs and initiatives. For more information about this exciting opportunity to join our team, and to apply [CLICK HERE](#).



Hannaford Bag Program benefitting KJFS

For the month of June, Michael Klahr Jewish Family Services will receive a \$1 donation from each purchase of the \$2.50 reusable **FIGHT HUNGER** Bag at the **Hannaford store located at 787 Riverside St, Portland ME**. Please join us in helping to reduce waste, while also supporting KJFS this June!



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