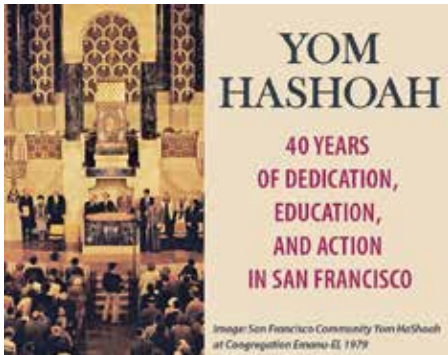




**Building  
relationships  
and community  
through learning**



## days of learning



### Yom HaShoah

Presented by JFCS Holocaust Center in partnership with Lehrhaus Judaica, JCCSF, and JCRC

Learn how survivors organized the first Holocaust Remembrance in San Francisco, and hear testimony from Hana Berger Moran, born in a concentration camp, who against all odds managed to survive and tell her mother's story of hope and strength.

**Wednesday, April 11**  
5:15 - 7:15 pm | Free  
JCCSF, San Francisco

### Tikkun Leyl Shavuot San Francisco: Where Sinai Meets California Street

Lehrhaus, the JCCSF, Congregations Beth Sholom, Sherith Israel, and Emanu-El present a Shavuot celebration, featuring learning, music, food, family events, and unity.

**Saturday, May 19 - Sunday, May 20**  
6:00 pm - 7:00 am | Free  
JCCSF and Congregation Beth Sholom, San Francisco

### Tikkun Leyl Shavuot

Enjoy a unique Shavuot celebration and night of learning — a spiritual journey bringing together people from a variety of perspectives and affiliations.

**Saturday, May 19 - Sunday, May 20**  
6:00 pm - 7:00 am | Free  
JCC East Bay, Berkeley

## history and contemporary issues

### Fighting Back: Jewish Resistance in the Holocaust

Fred Rosenbaum

Join us for three presentations by Fred Rosenbaum, Founding Director of Lehrhaus Judaica, marking the 75th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.



### 28 Days: The Warsaw Ghetto Uprising

What is the meaning for our own day of the brave battle waged by young Jewish men and women to bring honor and dignity to their people in the midst of catastrophe?

**Thursday, April 12 | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm | Free**  
Rhoda Goldman Plaza, San Francisco

**Friday, April 13 | 6:00 pm (part of services) | Free**  
Congregation Sherith Israel, San Francisco

### Ghetto: Struggling to Survive Behind the Gates

At the Sonoma County Yom HaShoah Commemoration, Fred Rosenbaum will address Jewish suffering and resilience in the Lodz ghetto — the earliest, longest lasting, and most oppressive in all of Europe.

**Sunday, April 15 | 2:00 - 4:00 pm | Free**  
Friedman Event Center, Santa Rosa

### Biblical Archaeology: The Greatest Hits

Ken Cohen

In some cases, archaeological finds over the past century support and augment the biblical narrative we've inherited, and in others, biblical history seems to be contradicted or challenged.

**Tuesdays, April 10, 24, May 1, 8, 29, June 5, 26, July 3 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$120 / \$105 members**  
Congregation B'nai Tikvah, Walnut Creek

## Dr. David Dalin Presentations

### The Presidents of the United States and the Jews

David Dalin's book documents the relationships between U.S. Presidents and the prominent Jews of their day, ranging from Haym Solomon, who helped George Washington finance the American Revolution, to Senator Joseph Lieberman, who was chosen by Vice President Al Gore to be the first Jewish nominee on a national ticket.

**Saturday, April 14**  
3:30 - 5:00 pm | Free  
Congregation Beth Am, Los Altos Hills



### Jewish Justices of the Supreme Court, From Brandeis to Kagan

David Dalin's new book examines the lives, legal careers, and legacies of the eight Jews who have served or who currently serve as justices of the U.S. Supreme Court.

**Sunday, April 15 | 1:30 pm | Free**  
Jewish Community Library, San Francisco

**Monday, April 16 | 7:00 - 8:30 pm | Free**  
Mosaic Law Congregation, Sacramento

### Congregation Shir Hadash Spain/Israel Pre-Tour Course

Jehon Grist, Ph.D.

Whether you're going there or an arm-chair traveler, explore the Jewish experience in Spain and Israel in a richly illustrated program (two live plus online).

**Wednesday, May 9 - 16 | 7:00 - 8:30 pm**  
\$45 / \$35 members / Free to tour participants  
Congregation Shir Hadash, Los Gatos

# languages

## Modern Hebrew With Orna Morad

Congregation Beth Am, Los Altos Hills

### Level A

Wednesdays, April 4 - August 8  
7:15 - 8:30 pm | \$265 / \$240 members

### Level B

Tuesdays, April 3 - June 26 | 7:30 - 8:45 pm  
\$180 / \$165 members

Thursdays, April 5 - June 28 | 9:00 - 10:15 am  
\$180 / \$165 members

### Level C

Tuesdays, April 3 - June 26 | 6:15 - 7:30 pm  
\$180 / \$165 members

### Level D

Thursdays, April 5 - June 28 | 10:30 - 11:45 am  
\$180 / \$165 members

### Level D2

Wednesdays, April 4 - June 27 | 5:45 - 7:00 pm  
\$180 / \$165 members

### Level E

Thursdays, April 5 - June 28 | 6:15 - 7:30 pm  
\$180 / \$165 members

### Level F

Tuesdays, April 3 - June 26 | 11:00 am - 12:15 pm  
\$180 / \$165 members

## Advanced Conversational Hebrew

Thursdays, April 5 - June 28  
7:30 - 8:45 pm  
\$180 / \$165 members



Orna Morad

## Intermediate Prayerbook/Biblical Hebrew 2A

(Online option/several sessions recording only)

Jehon Grist, Ph.D.

This course covers the more complex features of the language commonly found in biblical and siddur (prayerbook) texts. We will continue to introduce features of the verbal system and new grammatical components.

Sundays, April 22 - June 3 | 3:00 - 4:25 pm  
\$110 / \$95 members / \$85 seniors and students  
Lehrhaus Judaica, Albany

## Intermediate/Advanced Biblical Hebrew 2D

(Online option/several sessions recording only)

Jehon Grist, Ph.D.

We will complete our overview of the Hebrew verb system, and continue to build biblical text translation and analysis skills. We will also translate sample texts from the Hebrew Bible.

Sundays, April 22 - June 3  
4:35 - 6:00 pm  
\$110 / \$95 members  
\$85 seniors and students  
Lehrhaus Judaica,  
Albany

### Lehrhaus Online Courses

Enjoy your course live in the classroom, live online, or anytime via full video recording, all at no extra cost. So learn *your way*.

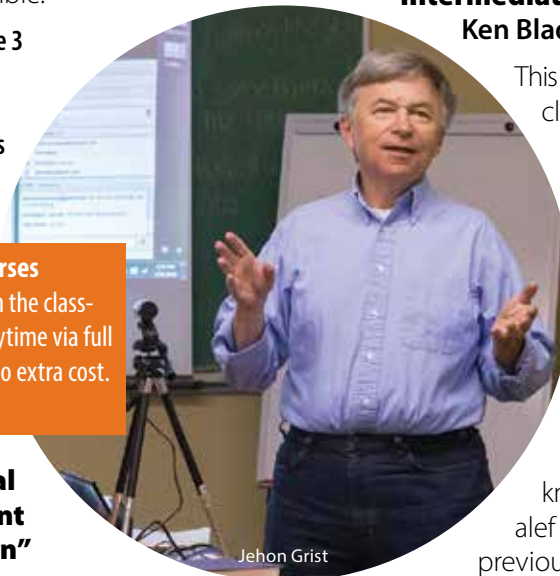
## Advanced Biblical Hebrew 3: Ancient Israel's "Egyptian" Tribe: The Levites

(Online option/several sessions recording only)

Jehon Grist, Ph.D.

Blending elements from Richard Elliott Friedman's new bestseller, *The Exodus* and other sources, we will explore the historical, archaeological and textual evidence suggesting a special connection between Egypt and the tribe of Levi.

Sundays, April 22 - June 3  
6:05 - 7:30 pm  
\$110 / \$95 members / \$85 seniors and students  
Lehrhaus Judaica, Albany



Jehon Grist

## Biblical and Prayerbook Hebrew

Tikva Farber

Students study classical Hebrew language from selected prayers; learn root words and their various applications; and gain a deeper understanding of prayerbook Hebrew.

Tuesdays, April 10 - June 12  
12:00 - 1:00 pm | \$175 / \$160 members  
Congregation Kol Shofar, Tiburon

## Intermediate Modern Conversational Hebrew

Tikva Farber

Infused with Israeli culture, a variety of methods are used to reach the goal of speaking Hebrew as it is spoken in modern Israel.

Fridays, April 13 - June 8  
12:00 - 1:30 pm | \$145 / \$130 members  
Lerman Law, San Rafael

## Intermediate Yiddish

Ken Blady

This is a continuation class that started meeting in 2012 at the beginning level. New students must have some background in Yiddish, including knowledge of the alef beis, or done previous coursework in the Yiddish language.

Wednesdays, April 18 - June 20  
7:00 - 8:30 pm | \$175 / \$160 members  
JCC East Bay, Berkeley



"Ken is an amazing teacher -- extremely knowledgeable, funny, and sincere in his desire to keep his first language alive."  
— Yiddish student

## Moses Veiled and Unveiled

Avivah Zornberg, Ph.D.

The narrative of revelation at Mount Sinai is immediately followed by the catastrophic episode of the Golden Calf. Dr. Zornberg will explore Moses' role in this episode and answer the question: Why does his face radiate light at the end of the narrative?

**Monday, April 16**  
7:00 pm | Free  
Jewish Community  
Library, San Francisco



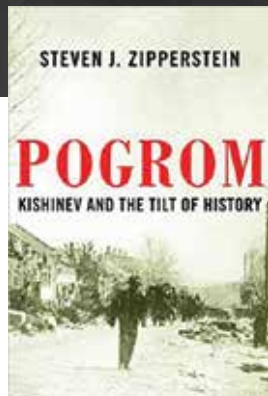
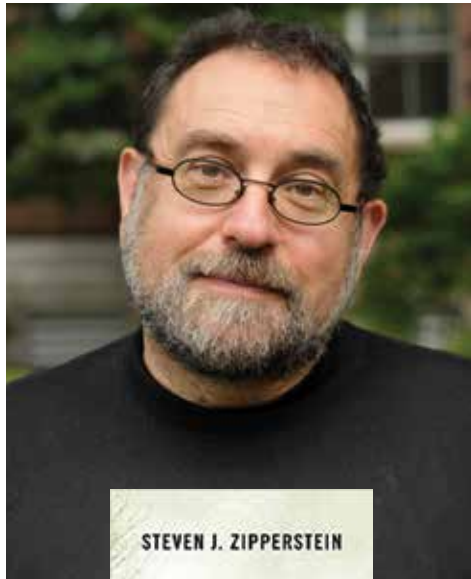
Avivah Zornberg

## Pogrom: Kishinev and the Tilt of History

Prof. Steven Zipperstein

Kishinev's 1903 riot seized the imagination of the international public and became the prototype for what is now known as a pogrom. Prof. Zipperstein will discuss his new book on the Kishinev pogrom.

**Thursday, May 31**  
7:00 pm | Free  
Jewish Community Library, San Francisco



## classic and contemporary texts

### Moral Outrage, War, and Economics: Heschel and Social Justice

Experience the prophetic voice of Abraham Joshua Heschel and his passion for keeping America "a just society" as we discuss war (including genocide), refugees, the moral dilemma of the Space Age, and Jewish political activism.

**Rabbi Peretz Wolf-Prusan**  
Mondays, April 30, May 7, 14, June 4  
7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$85  
Osher Marin JCC, San Rafael

**Yosef Rosen, Ph.D.**  
Thursdays, May 17 - June 7  
7:00 - 8:30 pm | \$85 / \$60 members  
Congregation B'nai Tikvah, Walnut Creek

### How to Read the Bible: Bridging the Gap Between Ourselves and Our Inherited Texts, Part I

**Rabbi Jeremy S. Morrison, Ph.D.**



Jeremy Morrison

We will discuss myth and metaphor and the Bible's literary history in order to uncover the ancient meanings of several of the Bible's classic narratives and its law codes, and to determine their relevance to modern day Jews and the world in which we live.

**Wednesdays, May 2 - 23**  
7:00 - 9:00 pm | \$60 / \$40 members  
Osher Marin JCC, San Rafael

### How to Read the Bible: Bridging the Gap Between Ourselves and Our Inherited Texts, Part II

**Rabbi Jeremy S. Morrison, Ph.D.**

We will explore the worldview of Priestly writers and how they shaped the Torah; the utopian views of the Deuteronomists and their approach to updating older law codes; the role(s) of prophets and prophetic texts; and the biblical origins of how the Bible became a book that continues to be read and revered. *Part 1 is not a prerequisite to take part 2.*

**Thursdays, April 5 - 26**  
7:00 - 9:00 pm | \$60 / \$40 members  
Congregation Beth El, Berkeley

"The class was thought provoking, really stretched my thinking. Jeremy is an outstanding teacher, and the material was very well organized and presented."

— How to Read the Bible Part 1 student

### Ancient Israel's "Egyptian" Tribe: The Mystery of the Levites

(Online option/session 1 and 2 recording only)

**Jehon Grist, Ph.D.**

What if the Levites were the only tribe to come out of Egypt in the Exodus? What made them different from the other Israelite tribes they joined in the land of Canaan?

**Sundays, April 22 - May 6**  
6:05 - 7:30 pm | \$45 / \$40 members  
\$35 students and seniors  
Lehrhaus Judaica, Albany

### Back to the Prophets — The Book of I Kings: The King (Solomon) Is

**Dead; Long Live the Kings!?**

**Ken Cohen**

Israel's (and our) wonder at the United Kingdom of Israel under the Davidic Dynasty comes to an end. Solomon's unwise policies have alienated many of the Tribes of Israel. When Solomon's son and successor, Rehoboam, doubles-down on those policies, a secessionist effort results.

**Thursdays, April 12 - June 28**  
7:30 - 9:15 pm | \$200 / \$180 members  
Contra Costa Jewish Day School, Lafayette

## When Jesus Spoke Yiddish: Translating the Gospels for Jews

Prof. Naomi Seidman

Dr. Seidman will explore how and why translators changed their approach, and what this move says about broader trends in modern Jewish culture, Yiddish literary style, and Jewish-Christian relations.

Sunday, April 29

1:30 pm | Free

Jewish Community Library, San Francisco

## arts



Naomi Seidman

## From The Melting-Pot to Angels in America: Romance, Jewish History, and Americanization

Prof. Naomi Seidman and Sarah Rose Leonard

Naomi Seidman will trace the development of conceptions of Jewish identity in the United States from Israel Zangwill's influential 1908 play *The Melting-Pot* to Tony Kushner's 1991 *Angels in America*. Sarah Rose Leonard, the dramaturg for *Angeles in America*, will discuss the Berkeley Rep's April 17-July 22 production.

Tuesday, May 15

7:00 - 8:30 pm | Free

JCC East Bay, Berkeley

## Hollywood and the Jews: 1930-1960

Riva Gambert

We will look at three themes relating to Hollywood and the Jews between 1930-1960 — the Disappearing Jew, G.I. Hollywood, and In the Shadow of the Cold War.

Wednesdays, July 11 - 25 | 7:00 - 8:30 pm

\$45 / \$40 members / \$18 per session drop-in

Congregation B'nai Shalom, Walnut Creek

## practice

### Mussar for Modern Life

Marla Kolman Antebi

Mussar is a centuries-old Jewish system of character development that has regained popularity as a spiritual practice in our modern age.

Tuesdays, April 10 - May 1

7:00 - 8:30 pm | \$80

Temple Sinai, Oakland

### Introduction to the Jewish Experience: Traditions of Judaism

Rabbi Ruth Adar

Since the very beginning, the People of Israel have had multiple understandings and expressions of a living Torah. We will study the varieties of Judaism in the 21st century.

Wednesdays, April 4 - May 23

7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$105 / \$90 members

Temple Sinai, Oakland

Online Only

Sundays, April 8 - June 3 | 3:30 - 5:00 pm PT | \$90

### Walking in the Valley of the Shadow

*The series is presented by Lehrhaus, Gamliel Institute, Sinai Memorial Chapel, and Bay Area Jewish Healing Center.*

### Dying/Death/Burial: What Jews Do

Become confident with the Jewish way of last words, customs and traditions about dying, and the funeral service.

Rabbi Stuart Kelman

Tuesday, April 17 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Congregation Etz Chayim, Palo Alto

Rabbi Peretz Wolf-Prusan

Thursday, May 10 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Peninsula Sinai Congregation, Foster City

### Making Choices: Advance Directives and Final Wishes

This session will demystify advance planning, ethical wills, and ethical dilemmas.

Edna Stewart and Sam Salkin

Tuesday, April 10

7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Congregation Etz Chayim, Palo Alto

Thursday, April 26

7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Peninsula Sinai Congregation, Foster City

### Mourning And Grief: After The Death

We will address Kaddish basics, what the Jewish tradition says about mourning, grief, and memory, and how to gather community support.

Rabbi Peretz Wolf-Prusan

Tuesday, May 1 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Congregation Etz Chayim, Palo Alto

Rabbi Amy Eilberg

Thursday, May 24 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Peninsula Sinai Congregation, Foster City

### The Art of Comfort: Deeper Listening as a Form of Comfort

Judaism provides much needed guidance for family, friends and caregivers when visiting the sick and consoling the bereaved.

Abra Greenspan

Tuesday, April 24 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Congregation Etz Chayim, Palo Alto

Rabbi Jon Sommer

Thursday, May 17 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Peninsula Sinai Congregation, Foster City

### When Life is Over: Where is Your Soul?

Survey the diverse range of Jewish conceptions of the soul, the afterlife, resurrection, and reincarnation.

Rabbi Peretz Wolf-Prusan

Tuesday, April 3 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Congregation Beth Emek, Pleasanton

Thursday, May 31 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Peninsula Sinai Congregation, Foster City

Rabbi Hugh Seid-Valencia

Thursday, May 31 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm | \$10

Congregation Etz Chayim, Palo Alto





## Historic Jewish Communities of Portugal and Catalonia: Endurance, Resilience and Identity

**Lisbon • Coimbra • Tomar • Sintra • Barcelona • Girona • Figueres • Besalú**

**October 25 - November 4, 2018**

Explore the Golden Age of Spain, including the poets, philosophers, and mystics. Learn about the impact of the Inquisition on Iberian Jewry and the creation of the Sephardic diaspora. In Portugal, visit Tomar, where the myth of the Marrano was canonized and “Jewish blood” became illegal, and Lisbon, where many thousands of Jews escaped Nazi persecution. In Girona, sit in the courtyard of the Ramban and Kabbalists, and in Besalú, step down to a 12th-century mikveh. We will also visit other ancient sites and celebrate Shabbat with Jewish communities.

**Tour scholar:** Rabbi Peretz Wolf-Prusan

**Tour director:** Ariel Goldstein

**Contact Ariel for more details at (510) 833-5854 or [ariel@tijuljewishjourneys.com](mailto:ariel@tijuljewishjourneys.com).**



## Crossroads of Four Cultures: Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, and Slovenia

**Fully Subscribed**

**August 17-29, optional pre-tour extension to Vienna, August 15-17**

Immerse yourself in the compelling history and scenic beauty of the Western Balkans — where Jews co-existed with Catholics, Eastern Orthodox, and Muslims for almost half a millennium. Fred Rosenbaum is the traveling scholar.

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