

# TEMPLE BETH SHALOM



LIFE-LONG LEARNING

2022 - 2023

## **INTRO TO REFORM JUDAISM TAUGHT BY RABBI NEIL**

***Recurring Sundays through the academic year, 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM on ZOOM***

Rabbi Neil leads a three-semester course on Reform Jewish values - where they come from in our tradition, and how they are implemented ritually. Differing sessions focus on theology, history, festivals, rituals, liturgy and spirituality.

## **ADULT BEGINNER HEBREW TAUGHT BY CANTOR LIANNA**

***Sundays 1:15 PM - 2:15 PM at TBS | JAN 8, JAN 22, JAN 29, FEB 5, FEB 12, MAR 5, MAR 12, APR 2, APR 16, APR 30, MAY 7***

Roots don't just grow on trees! Join Cantor Lianna to learn how to read the Alef-Bet and how to identify and understand the most common words in our prayers. This class will help you follow along with the prayers during services, and help you achieve confidence in your Hebrew reading.

## **CRASH COURSE IN JEWISH HISTORY TAUGHT BY ELLEN ZIESELMAN**

***Tuesdays 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM on ZOOM | JAN 10, JAN 17, JAN 24, JAN 31, FEB 7, FEB 14***

Climb aboard an exciting journey through 4,000 years of Jewish History. Discover the great ideas and events that shaped the Jewish nation. Each week a different period of Jewish History is explored. Topics include: 1) Biblical Times, 2) From a United Kingdom to Exile, 3) The Jewish Epicenter Moves West, 4) Jews Enter and React to the Modern Era: From Enlightenment to World War I and 5) Holocaust and Renewal: 1933 to the Present. Based on curriculum from the NJOP.

## **THE IMAM AND THE RABBI DISCUSS THE ELEPHANTS IN THE ROOM: ISRAEL, PALESTINE, ZIONISM, AND RELIGION IN AMERICA**

***Sunday, January 29 | 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM on ZOOM***

Can we talk about these things? We can, and we do!

## **MEET THE COMPOSER: AARON ALTER** *Co-Hosted with the New Mexico Performing Arts Society*

***Thursday, February 2 | 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM at TBS***

Aaron Alter is a world-renowned Jewish composer of contemporary classical and cross-over music. He will be debuting and discussing many of his works, including his piece *Earth Cantata*, which he wrote for the New Mexico Bach Society. The commission was for a cantata in the style of Johann Sebastian Bach, and *Earth Cantata* is a contemporary reworking of Bach's compositional style and the style of the Baroque period. Aaron incorporates contemporary elements in what one might call an "updated" cantata for modern times.

## **METAPHOR, MIDRASH, AND MENSCH-MAKING TAUGHT BY RABBI PAUL CITRIN**

***Wednesdays 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM at TBS | FEB 1, FEB 8, FEB 15, FEB 22***

Metaphor and allegorical interpretation of the Bible are vehicles for teaching Jewish ethics and personal morality. They express an extensive variety of Jewish outlooks to guide us through life's challenges. During our four week course, we will read and discuss a potpourri of images from Bible and Talmud, medieval and modern texts. This material will serve as a doorway to lively conversation and to further Jewish growth.

## **THE GOLDBERGS TO THE GOLDBERGS TAUGHT BY ZIVA GUNTHER**

***Thursdays 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM on ZOOM | FEB 23, MAR 2, MAR 16, MAR 23, MAR 30, APR 13, APR 27***

An exploration of American Jews on the "Small Screen." Each week, we will cover a period of time and a corresponding television show. We will then talk about what was going with Jews (and, in particular, American Jews) at the time, and how the TV shows shape our collective identity.

## **SHALOM UGANDA: A JEWISH COMMUNITY ON THE EQUATOR**

***Sunday, April 23 | 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM at TBS***

Author Janice Masur will join us to discuss growing up in a remote European Jewish Community in Kampala, Uganda, under British Imperial rule, with no Rabbi or Jewish Infrastructure. Despite the challenges, this community celebrated all the Jewish festivals and upheld their Jewish identity.

## **TORAH TROPE TAUGHT BY CANTOR LIANNA**

***Tuesdays 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM at TBS | MAY 2, MAY 9, MAY 16, MAY 23, MAY 30***

Want to learn how to chant Torah? This class is for people with good Hebrew-reading skills who want to be able to decode Torah trope and learn how to teach themselves an aliyah.

## **JUDAISM FOR EVERY BODY TAUGHT BY CANTOR LIANNA**

***Tuesdays 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM at TBS | MAY 16, MAY 23, MAY 30***

How can we be a Jewish community that honors that power and diversity of all of our bodies? Expanding on Cantor Lianna's Shavuot session from last year, we will continue exploring Fat Torah, as well as disability justice and what it means to pursue body liberation.

# CALENDAR

<b>JAN 8</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>JAN 10</b>	Crash Course in Jewish History, 7:00 PM
<b>JAN 17</b>	Crash Course in Jewish History, 7:00 PM
<b>JAN 22</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>JAN 24</b>	Crash Course in Jewish History, 7:00 PM
<b>JAN 29</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>JAN 29</b>	The Imam and the Rabbi, 5:00 PM
<b>JAN 31</b>	Crash Course in Jewish History, 7:00 PM
<b>FEB 1</b>	Metaphor, Midrash, and Mensch-Making, 12:00 PM
<b>FEB 2</b>	Meet the Composer: Aaron Alter, 5:30 PM
<b>FEB 5</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>FEB 7</b>	Crash Course in Jewish History, 7:00 PM
<b>FEB 8</b>	Metaphor, Midrash, and Mensch-Making, 12:00 PM
<b>FEB 12</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>FEB 14</b>	Crash Course in Jewish History, 7:00 PM
<b>FEB 15</b>	Metaphor, Midrash, and Mensch-Making, 12:00 PM
<b>FEB 22</b>	Metaphor, Midrash, and Mensch-Making, 12:00 PM

<b>FEB 23</b>	Goldbergs to Goldbergs, 7:00 PM
<b>MAR 2</b>	Goldbergs to Goldbergs, 7:00 PM
<b>MAR 5</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>MAR 12</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>MAR 16</b>	Goldbergs to Goldbergs, 7:00 PM
<b>MAR 23</b>	Goldbergs to Goldbergs, 7:00 PM
<b>MAR 30</b>	Goldbergs to Goldbergs, 7:00 PM
<b>APR 2</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>APR 13</b>	Goldbergs to Goldbergs, 7:00 PM
<b>APR 16</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>APR 23</b>	Shalom Uganda, 2:30 PM
<b>APR 27</b>	Goldbergs to Goldbergs, 7:00 PM
<b>APR 30</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>MAY 2</b>	Torah Trope, 6:00 PM
<b>MAY 7</b>	Beginner Adult Hebrew, 1:15 PM
<b>MAY 9</b>	Torah Trope, 6:00 PM
<b>MAY 16</b>	Torah Trope, 6:00 PM; Judaism for Every Body, 7:00 PM
<b>MAY 23</b>	Torah Trope, 6:00 PM; Judaism for Every Body, 7:00 PM
<b>MAY 30</b>	Torah Trope, 6:00 PM; Judaism for Every Body, 7:00 PM



*PLEASE NOTE: Classes and schedules are subject to change.  
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