

MAURICE GREENBERG CENTER FOR JUDAIC STUDIES

SPRING 2012

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

25 Years of Engaging the Community, Building for the Future



Veiled Woman, Jerusalem
Lena Stein, photographer

WORKSHOP

JANUARY

Sunday, January 22

Regina Miller Jewish Education Workshop
"Jewish Education and Technology"

Karen Reiss Medwed, Professor of Jewish Education, Hebrew College, Boston



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All Greenberg Center programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

A TASTE OF THE GREENBERG CENTER



Proposed seminar space in the new Greenberg Center facility.

Ever want to return to college for a day?

Find out why the community comes to the Greenberg Center to learn. Registration required, with limited seating available (first-come, first-served basis), by January 18: 860.768.4964 or mgcjs@hartford.edu.

Wednesday, January 25, 5–7:20 p.m.

“Introduction to Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Ethics”

Instructor: Richard Freund

Wednesday, February 1, 2:55–4:10 p.m.

“Introduction to American Jewish History”

Instructor: Avinoam Patt

Thursday, February 9, 7:30–10 p.m.

“Introduction to Islamic History and Culture”

Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia

JANUARY

WORKSHOP

Sunday, January 22, 1–6 p.m.

Regina Miller Jewish Education Workshop

1–3 p.m. “Jewish Education and Technology”

Hebrew High School of New England
300 Bloomfield Ave., West Hartford

4–6 p.m. “The People of the Digital Book: Technology and Distance Learning”

Mali I, Dana Hall, University of Hartford

Lecturer:

Karen Reiss Medwed, Professor of Jewish Education, Hebrew College, Boston; Director, EdD in Jewish Education Leadership, a newly forged collaboration between Hebrew College and Northeastern University

Moderator:

Frederick B. King, Associate Professor of Educational Technology, University of Hartford

Workshop attendance is by reservation only: 860.768.4964.

The Regina Miller Jewish Education Workshop is sponsored in part by the Arlene and Daniel Neiditz Endowment Fund.

FEBRUARY

WORKSHOP

Monday, February 13, 8 a.m.–3 p.m.

Rescheduled from October 31, 2011

Mortensen Library, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Holocaust Educators Workshop and

Middle East Teachers Workshop for Middle and High School Teachers
“Learn from the Past: Teach for the Future”



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FEBRUARY



From *Veiled Women* exhibition
Lena Stein, photographer

Registration required by Monday, January 30:
860.768.4964 or mgcjs@hartford.edu.
Fee: \$40 (CEUs awarded; scholarships available)

Presented by the University of Hartford's Maurice Greenberg Center, Central Connecticut State University, and the Hartford Seminary, in cooperation with the Emanuel Synagogue Brotherhood, the Maximilian E. and Marion O. Hoffman Foundation, and the Zola and Rubin Holocaust Funds.

3 p.m.
Exhibition Opening Reception

Museum of Jewish Civilization, Mortensen Library,
Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Veiled Women: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Women of Israel
Lena Stein, photographer

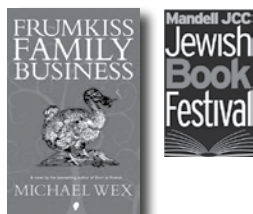
Sponsored by the Maximilian E. and Marion O. Hoffman Foundation and the Minnie Goldenberg Photography Exhibition Fund.

Thursday, February 23, 7–9 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Music for the Soul:
Muslims, Christians, and Jews Singing and Drumming Together

Sponsored by the Greenberg Center, Hartford Hillel, the Newman Club, the Muslim Students Association, the Maximilian E. and Marion O. Hoffman Foundation, and the Arabic Language and Culture Fund at the Greenberg Center.

MARCH



Thursday, March 15, 7 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Lillian Singer Jewish Humor Lecture
Michael Wex, best-selling author

Registration required, with limited seating available.
Call the University box office at 860.768.4228.

Made possible in part by Bruce and Roberta Singer and the Mandell JCC Jewish Book Festival.

FILM AND DISCUSSION



Monday, March 26, 7 p.m.
Hartford Jewish Film Festival
Observations on Survival and Spirit: Lessons from the Holocaust
Nicky's Family

Herbert Gilman Theater, Mandell Jewish Community Center,
335 Bloomfield Ave., West Hartford

Followed by "Reel Talk," moderated by Avinoam Patt, University of Hartford, and featuring author Alison Pick and Hartford's Ivan Backer, one of Nicky's children rescued on the Kindertransport.

For tickets contact the Mandell JCC box office, 860.231.6316 or tickets@mandelljcc.org, or the JCC Member Services Center, 860.236.4571.

APRIL



Cookies will be served!

Wednesday, April 18, 10 a.m.

Museum of Jewish Civilization, Mortensen Library,
Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

**The Great Children's Community Read:
*The Cookie That Saved My Family***

in honor of Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day.
How a cookie saved the family of author William Freund
from the Holocaust.

Registration required, with limited seating available.
Call the Greenberg Center at 860.768.4964.

Interested?
Become eligible
by signing up
for a Judaic
studies class.

Sunday, April 22

New York City field trip—a Greenberg Center first!

Step back in time for a fascinating walking tour and
visit to the Lower East Side Tenement Museum.

*Open to students enrolled
in Judaic Studies classes.*

Made possible by the Fishman Fund
for American Jewish History and
Jewish Communal Leadership
at the Maurice Greenberg Center
for Judaic Studies.



Monday, April 23, 7 p.m.

1877 Club, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

The Edward Lewis Wallant Award

Recipient: Edith Pearlman, author of *Binocular Vision*

Sponsored in part by the Waltman Family Fund.

MAY

AWARD CEREMONY

Thursday, May 3, 7 p.m.

1877 Club, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

**The Holocaust Educators Awards
and**

**The Fishman Family Fund Awards
in American Jewish Life and Culture**

Join us as we celebrate gifted teachers and students in our community.
Elementary, middle, and high school student winners of the first annual
essay contest in American Jewish life and culture will be announced.

The Holocaust Educators Awards are made possible by the Zola and Rubin Families and the
Chase Family Foundation.

The Fishman Family Fund Awards are made possible by the Fishman Fund for American
Jewish History and Jewish Communal Leadership.



The Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies is a hub of academic excellence at the University of Hartford. Through broad coursework options, University students and the Greater Hartford community have the opportunity to learn, and proactively advocate for, the influence of Jewish history, religion, and culture on the development of Western civilization. In this visionary partnership between the community and the University, the resources of both are shared for the benefit of all.

Join with us to celebrate our 25th anniversary! The vision that created the Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies 25 years ago remains vibrant, and our journey continues to engage and enrich the Greater Hartford community through stimulating—and free—public lectures, films, courses, and exhibits. Join us on campus and explore the possibilities.

We look forward to greeting you soon and often!

Warm regards,

Naomi K. Cohen
Chair, Board of Visitors
Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies

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JUDAIC STUDIES COURSES

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Classes begin Tuesday, January 24, 2012. Registration and tuition are required for all courses. Call the Registrar's Office, University of Hartford, at 860.768.4999.

Registration at a reduced rate for a select number of courses is available through the Mandell Jewish Community Center. For additional information, see the Mandell JCC spring catalog or call 860.236.4571.

JS 205 Israel History and Society

Section 16525: Mondays,
Wednesdays, and Fridays,
11:30 a.m.–12:20 p.m.
Instructor: Avinoam Patt

JS 215 Introduction to World Religions

Section 13361: Tuesdays and
Thursdays, 3:30–4:45 p.m.
Instructor: Richard Freund

JS 218W Introduction to Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Ethics

Section 15548: Wednesdays,
5–7:20 p.m.
Instructor: Richard Freund

JS 228 American Jewish History

Section 14893: Mondays and
Wednesdays, 2:55–4:10 p.m.
Instructor: Avinoam Patt

JS 315 Yiddish Literature

Section 16577: Mondays,
Wednesdays, and Fridays,
12:30–1:20 p.m.
Instructor: Avinoam Patt

JS 341 The Bible and Literature

Section 15226: Mondays and
Wednesdays, 1:30–2:45 p.m.
Instructor: William Stull

JS 425 Islamic Culture and Society

Section 14426: Thursdays,
7:30–10 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia

LANGUAGE COURSES

ARA 111 Arabic Language and Culture II

Section 14970: Tuesdays and
Thursdays, 4:50–6:05 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia

HBR 114 Elementary Hebrew II

Section 14427: Tuesdays and
Thursdays, 9:25–10:40 a.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

HBR 116 Intermediate Hebrew II

Section 15454: Tuesdays and
Thursdays, 10:50 a.m.–12:05 p.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

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Do you receive our mailings under the wrong name?
Would you like your name removed from our mailing list or someone else's name added?
Do you have e-mail, so we can keep you informed of Greenberg Center activities?

If you answered yes to any of the above, please call the Greenberg Center at 860.768.4964
or e-mail Susan Gottlieb at mgcjs@hartford.edu, so we can update our database.

PARKING: For all events in Wilde Auditorium, use parking lot D. Handicapped parking is available in Millard Circle and at the rear of Wilde Auditorium (between Abrahms Hall and The Hartt School). For events in Mali I (Charles Dana Hall), use parking lot H. For events at the Museum of Jewish Civilization, use parking lot K (opposite Hartford Art School). For events at Konover Campus Center, use parking lot F.

A map of the campus is available online at www.hartford.edu/about/map.

CURRENT EXHIBITIONS

William Singer Gallery, Museum of Jewish Civilization, Mortensen Library, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Through December 2012

Bethsaida: 4,000 Years of Archaeology and History

The Joel and Susanna Grae Antiquities Collection

The Irving and Fran Waltman Cantorial Exhibition

Through February 3, 2012

The Family Business—the Next Generation

February 13, 2012—September 1, 2012

Veiled Women: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Women of Israel

For museum hours and docent-led tours, call the Greenberg Center at 860.768.4964 or e-mail Susan Gottlieb at mgcjs@hartford.edu.



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From left: CNN lead political anchor Wolf Blitzer joins Beverly and Arnold Greenberg and President Walter Harrison at the Greenberg Center's 25th anniversary gala on Sept. 25, 2011.



Greenberg Center alumni Mike Witman (left) and Ross Levy (right) celebrate with Director Richard Freund.



The elegant banquet that marked the Greenberg Center's 25th anniversary welcomed 360 guests on Sept. 25, 2011.

SUMMERTERM COURSES

JS 205 Israel: History and Society

Section 22396: MTWRF, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Instructor: Avinoam Patt
(5/21–6/5)

JS 229 The Holocaust

Section 22885: MTWRF, 5–8 p.m.
Instructor: Steven Rosenthal
(7/5–7/20)

JS 318 Maimonides in Historical Context

Section 23990: Mondays and Wednesdays, 5–8 p.m.
Instructor: Herbert Pick
(7/9–8/16)

ARA 110 Elementary Arabic I

Section 22397: MTWRF, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia
(5/21–6/5)



A Peek at the New Greenberg Center

The Greenberg Center will soon be housed in the Harry Jack Gray Center, central to academic activity at the University of Hartford. With upgraded and expanded facilities, we will be steps away from conference rooms, the Mortensen Library, Wilde Auditorium, the Museum of Jewish Civilization, and the Gray conference facility. The Greenberg Center, with its new seminar rooms, special collections room, academic commons, gallery, and fellowship opportunities will be an even better place for students, scholars, and the community to gather and learn.