A New Beginning for the Greenberg Center in 2017

Artist rendering of the new location for the Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies in the University’s Harry Jack Gray Center, scheduled to open in November 2017.
LECTURE

Tuesday, September 5, 7:30 p.m.
Auerbach Auditorium, Hillyer Hall, University of Hartford

Citizen #1 Benedictus Spinoza
Daniel Schwartz, Professor of Modern Jewish History,
George Washington University

Limited seating; reservations required:
860.768.5018 or mgcjs@hartford.edu

Lecture made possible in part by the Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies.

LECTURE

Tuesday, September 12, 7:30 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Secularism 101
Barry Kosmin, Research Professor and Director of the
Institute for the Study of Secularism in Society and Culture
at Trinity College

Limited seating; reservations required:
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LECTURE

Monday, September 18, 7:30 p.m.
Gilman Theater, Mandell Jewish Community Center
335 Bloomfield Avenue, West Hartford, Conn.

The Lillian Margulies Singer Jewish Humor Lecture
Modi Rosenfeld

Voted one of the top 10 comedians in New York City by the
Hollywood Reporter and BackStage, Rosenfeld is one of the
comedy circuit’s most sought-after performers. Featured on
HBO, CBS, NBC, ABC, Comedy Central, Howard Stern, and E!
Entertainment, Rosenfeld has received rave reviews in The New

Tickets are $10. Attendance is free for students.
For reservations, contact the Mandell Jewish Community Center
Box Office, 860.231.6316.

Lecture sponsored by the Lillian Margulies Singer Jewish Humor Fund, the Maurice
Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies, the Mandell Jewish Community Center, and
the UConn Center for Judaic Studies and Contemporary Jewish Life.
Tuesday, October 10, 7:30 p.m.

Rose and Arthur Fallmann Lecture on Western European Culture
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

A Celebration of Culture
Piano Recital:
Anastasia Seifetdinova, Concert Pianist
On Jews and German Culture
Sebastian Wogenstein, Associate Professor, Department of
Literatures, Cultures & Languages, UConn

Limited seating; reservations required:
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Lecture and performance made possible in part by the Rose and Arthur Fallmann Fund at the Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies. Co-sponsored by the UConn Center for Judaic Studies and Contemporary Jewish Life.

Thanks to the generosity of the Joann Temkin Fund and the support of the Temkin-Weiner families, this year’s educators workshop is free for all teachers!

Monday, October 30, 8 a.m.–3 p.m.
The Holocaust Educators Workshop
1877 Club, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Registration for middle school and high school teachers is required by Friday, October 13.
For more information, email mgcjs@hartford.edu.

Monday, October 30, 7 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Welcome
Julius Pranevičius, Consulate General of the Republic of Lithuania in New York

Lecture
Višna and Jewish Culture Before, During, and After the Holocaust
Professor Samuel D. Kassow, Charles H. Northam Professor of History, Trinity College

Opening of the Višna: The Jerusalem of Lithuania exhibition in the Museum of Jewish Civilization will follow the lecture.

Lecture co-sponsored by the UConn Center for Judaic Studies and Contemporary Jewish Life, the UConn Office of Global Affairs, the Thomas J. Dodd Research Center, the Jewish Historical Society of Greater Hartford, and the Grae Family Višna Excavations Fund at the University of Hartford.
NOVEMBER

PANEL DISCUSSION

Wednesday, November 8, 7:30 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Kristallnacht Observance
Choiceless Choices: Leadership in Vilna During the Holocaust

Moderator and Speaker:
Avinoam Patt, Director of the Museum of Jewish Civilization
and Philip D. Feltman Professor, Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies, University of Hartford

Speakers:
Richard Freund, Director of the Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies and Greenberg Professor of Jewish History at the University of Hartford

Dr. Michael Good
Author of The Search for Major Plagge

LECTURE

Tuesday, November 14, 7:30 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Lou Reed, Leonard Cohen, and Bob Dylan: Three Prophets of the Modern World
Aidan Levy, author and PhD candidate in English and Comparative Literature, Columbia University.

Lecture made possible in part by the Aaron Kriwitsky | Edith & Arthur Gittleman Endowed Lecture Fund at the Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies.

DECEMBER

FILM SCREENING

Tuesday, December 12, 12:15 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Yiddish Movie and Hanukkah Observance, The Light Ahead (Fishke der Krumer), 1939
Impoverished and disabled lovers Fishke and Hodel dream of life in the big city of Odessa, free from the poverty and stifling old-world prejudices of the shtetl. The benevolent and enlightened bookseller Mendele helps them, turning small-town superstitions to their advantage. Based on Mendele Mokher Seforim’s story of love frustrated by small-town ignorance, this luminous allegory of escape marries Edgar Ulmer’s masterful direction with superb acting by members of New York’s Artef and Yiddish Art Theaters.
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We can also give our deserving students much-needed scholarship assistance in difficult economic times and offer our community an alternate approach to Jewish study.

Please consider your annual gift today. With your help, we can ensure that the Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies continues to grow and be the place where the community comes to learn.

Warm regards,

Dane Kostin
Chair, Board of Visitors
Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies

All Greenberg Center programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.
At the Los Angeles press tour for the PBS NOVA Holocaust Escape Tunnel documentary from left are Paula Apsell, executive director, NOVA; Abe Gol, son of tunnel survivor Shlomo Gol; Richard Freund, University of Hartford archaeologist and professor of Jewish History; Hana Amir, daughter of tunnel survivor, Mordechai Zeidel; and Kirk Wolfinger, director and producer, Lone Wolf Productions. Check local PBS listings for documentary broadcast dates.

Professor Avinoam Patt was a presenter at the Vatican's Refugee Policies from 1933 until Today: Challenges and Responsibilities conference in February.

Students in Professor Avinoam Patt’s Responses to the Holocaust course spent the spring semester learning about a diverse array of responses to persecution during WWII. As a culminating activity at the end of the semester in the Museum of Jewish Civilization, students had the privilege of learning from the incredible story of survival shared by Rabbi and Ruth Lazowski.
JUDAIC STUDIES COURSES

FALL 2017

Classes begin Tuesday, August 29, 2017.
Registration and tuition are required for all courses.
Call the Registrar’s Office,
University of Hartford, at 860.768.4999.
Special rates for selected courses are available through
the Mandell Jewish Community Center at 860.236.4571.

ARA 110 Elementary Arabic I
Section 64839: Tuesdays and Thursdays,
4:50–6:05 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abo Rabia

HBR 113 Elementary Hebrew I
Section 62902: Tuesdays and Thursdays,
2:05–3:20 p.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

HBR 114 Elementary Hebrew II
Section 66137: Tuesdays, 5–7:20 p.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

HBR 115 Intermediate Hebrew I
Section 64958: Tuesdays and Thursdays,
10:50 a.m.–12:05 p.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

JS 190 Jewish Humor
Section 69011: Mondays and Wednesdays,
2:55–4:10 p.m.
Instructor: Avinoam Patt

JS 228 American Jewish History
Section 68296: Mondays and Wednesdays,
1:30–2:45 p.m.
Instructor: Avinoam Patt

JS 308 Bible and Archaeology: Old Testament
Section 63706: Mondays, 5–7:20 p.m.
Instructor: Richard Freund

JS 310 Ancient Art
Section 66241: Tuesdays, 2:55–4:10 p.m.
Instructor: Rita Higgins

JS 425 Contemporary Studies in Jewish Civilization
(Great Powers in the Near East)
Section 44052: Tuesdays, 7:30–9:50 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abo Rabia

The Presidents’ College course with Richard Freund entitled:

Vilna: The Jerusalem of the North,
Archaeology and History
Three sessions: Wednesdays, Nov. 1, 8, and 15,
4–5:30 p.m.
KF Room in the Harrison Libraries.
For registration and information through the
Presidents’ College, contact Monica Mills,
mmills@hartford.edu.

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Susan Gottlieb at mgcs@hartford.edu, so that we can update our database.

PARKING: For all events in Wilde Auditorium, please 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 (Charles Dana Hall), use parking lot H.
For events at the Museum of Jewish Civilization, please use parking lot K (opposite Hartford Art
School). For events at the Konover Campus Center, please use parking lot F. A map of the campus is
available online at hartford.edu/about/map.
CURRENT EXHIBITIONS

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

Hartford Remembers The Holocaust

The Joel and SusAnna Grae
Antiquities Collection

For museum hours and docent-led tours, contact the Greenberg Center at 860.768.4964 or mgcjs@hartford.edu.