May 2021

Ramadan Nights From Jerusalem

Full Black Half-Moon: Women in Religious Society, Following the Screening of "The Poetess" Documentary Film

**Prof. Nidaa Khoury**, Poetess

The event is in partnership with Docaviv

Sunday, 20 Iyar, May 2, 18:00

Database Series: Training Sessions on the Use of Online Tools in Jewish Studies

Virtual Torah Libraries: Using Hebrewbooks and Otzar HaHochma Effectively

**Dr. Aliza Moreno-Goldschmidt**, Head of Collection—The Israel and Judaica Reading Room, National Library of Israel

Monday, 21 Iyar, May 3, 11:00

Unwritten Culture—A Series of Meetings about the National Library's Art Collections   
Session Twelve. Cluster: Dance

The Dance, the Dancer, and the Writer in Between: Noa Eshkol's Textual Archive

**Michal Shoshani**, Head of the Noa Eshkol Archive, The Noa Eshkol Foundation for Movement Notation

Wednesday, 23 Iyar, May 5, 18:00

Sacred: A comparative look at the Qur'an and the Torah in honor of Ramadan

Session Three:

What's the Pitch? Tajweed—The Art of Proper Qu'ran Recitation Meets Hebrew Cantillation. A Connection Between Different, Yet Similar Worlds

**Imam Shaykh Usama Abu Bakr**, CEO of the African Community Organization in Israel  
**Dr. Tom Fogel**, Ben Gurion University of the Negev and The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

**Yair Kochav**, Founder and Art Director, Tahrir

Moderator: **Dr. Raquel Ukeles**, Head of Collections, National Library of Israel \*\*\* The event will be conducted in Hebrew and English

Thursday, 24 Iyar, May 6, 17:00

SSSHHH! Listening to the Noise of National Libraries Around the World  
The National Library of Israel in Conversation With the National Library of Poland  
A conversation between  
**Oren Weinberg**, Director General, National Library of Israel  
**Dr. Tomasz Makowski**, Director General, National Library of Poland  
Prof. **Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett**, Professor Emerita of Performance Studies, New York University Ronald S. Lauder Chief Curator

Thursday, May 6, 19:00 (Israel time)

NLI Treasures – Outstanding Archives  
The Archive of the German-Jewish Historian and Cairo Geniza Scholar Shlomo Dov Goitein  
With **Dr. Hanan Harif**, Rothberg International School of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
Introduction: **Matan Barzilai**, Head of Archives, National Library of Israel

Sanday, May 9, 20:00(Israel time)

Database Series: Training Sessions on the Use of Online Tools in Jewish Studies

New Avenues in Bible and Oral Torah Studies: How to Use the Alhatorah.org Database

**Dr. Aliza Moreno-Goldschmidt**, Head of Collection—The Israel and Judaica Reading Room, National Library of Israel

Monday, 28 Iyar, May 10, 11:00

Sacred: A comparative look at the Qur'an and Torah in honor of Ramadan  
**Between Ramadan and the Counting of the Omer: A Muslim-Jewish Conversation on Living in Sacred Time**  
With:   
**Yossi Klein Halevi,** Shalom Hartman Institute   
**Imam Abdullah Antepli,** Duke University, North Carolina and Shalom Hartman Institute   
Moderator: Dr. **Raquel Ukeles**, Head of Collections, National Library of Israel

Monday, May 10, 17:00 (Israel time)

Scholars in Conversation in Honor of Ramadan

The Art of Arabic Calligraphy: Between Past and Present

**Dr. Housni Shehada Alkhateeb**, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Moderator: **Dr. Raquel Ukeles**, Head of Collections, National Library of Israel

Tuesday, 29 Iyar, May 11, 17:00

Partners in Thought in Honor of the Ramadan

Marking Sacred Time: An Introduction to the Muslim Calendar  
**Dr. Samuel Thrope**, Islam Curator, National Library of Israel, in conversation with Dr. **Miriam Shefer Mossensohn**, Associate Professor in the Department of Middle Eastern and African History at Tel Aviv University, and Head of the Zvi Yazetz School of Historical Studies

Tuesday, May 11, 20:00 (Israel time)

Visiting Scholars

Can a Language Have a Personality? On Anthropomorphizing Yiddish   
**Jeffrey Shandler**, Distinguished Professor, Department of Jewish Studies, Rutgers University

Wednesday, May 12 19:00 (Israel time)

Tales from the Box: The Central Archives

Skirts Against the KGB: The Story of the Women of "The 35's"—Fifty Years On

In partnership with the Central Archives for the History of the Jewish People and the Prime Minister's Office—Nativ.

Panelists:

**Dr.** **Miriam** **Grobman**, Central Archives for the History of the Jewish People

The Children of "The 35's": **Peter Harris, Samantha Moshe, Sidney Lyons, Sophie Kotzer, Dr. Nati Cantorovich**, Nativ

Moderator: **Dr. Yochai Ben-Ghedalia**, National Library of Israel

Thursday, 2 Sivan, May 13, 17:00

Database Series: Training Sessions on the Use of Online Tools in Jewish Studies

How to Get to the Point: Making Intelligent Use of Dicta Tools to Edit and Process Texts (Nakdan, Tanakh, Talmud, Rabbinic Abbreviations)

**Dr. Aliza Moreno-Goldschmidt**, Head of Collection—The Israel and Judaica Reading Room, National Library of Israel

Tuesday, 7 Sivan, May 18, 11:00

L[ev]a[n]tin[e]: The DNA of the Hebrew Letter

Session one:

The Plight of the Hebrew Letter: Latinization as a Design Solution

**Liron Lavi Turkenich**, Hebrew typeface designer and researcher

Tuesday, 7 Sivan, May 18, 18:00

NLI Treasures – Outstanding Archives  
The Photographic Legacy of Aliza Auerbach  
**Guy Raz**, Curator of Photography, Eretz Israel Museum Tel Aviv  
Introduction: **Matan Barzilai,** Head of Archives, National Library of Israel

Sunday, May 23, 20:00 (Israel time)

Database Series: Training Sessions on the Use of Online Tools in Jewish Studies

Adding to the Torah? Digital Tools for Jewish Texts from the Powered by Sefaria Contest 2020

**Dr. Aliza Moreno-Goldschmidt**, Head of Collection—The Israel and Judaica Reading Room, National Library of Israel

Monday 13 Sivan, May 24, 11:00

L[ev]a[n]tin[e]: The DNA of the Hebrew Letter

Session Two:

Roots and Stones: The Impact of the Archeological Discoveries of the Fifties and Sixties on the Revived Hebrew Letter

**Yaronimus**, Middle Eastern graphic designer and artist, founder of The Bureau for Hebrew Typography blog

Monday 13 Sivan, May 24, 18:00

Reference Required

"Have We Got News For You!"—an event celebrating the addition of the *Hadashot* newspaper to the Historical Jewish Press website (National Library)

Panelists:

**Amos Schocken, Rino Zror, Yossi Klein, Prof. Shimon Sandhaus**

Moderator: **Eyal Miller**, National Library of Israel

Tuesday, 14 Sivan, May 25, 17:00

Tales from the Box—the Central Archives for the History of the Jewish People

A Working Nation: Jewish Artisans in Eastern Europe

**Dr. Alex Valdman**, The Stephen Roth Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism and Racism, Tel Aviv University, in conversation with **Benjamin Lukin**, the Central Archives for the History of the Jewish People

Thursday, 16 Sivan, May 27, 17:00

L[ev]a[n]tin[e]: The DNA of the Hebrew Letter

Session Three:

A Trilingual Letter for a Trilingual Reality

**Michal Sahar**, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Jerusalem

Monday, 20 Sivan, May 31, 17:00