

Nachman Levine

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Results

Jewish Studies Educational

- **Adjunct Professor, Jewish Studies**
 - **Accepted to Doctoral Program in Biblical Studies, Bar-Ilan University**
 - **Published over 32 articles in academic journals in Hebrew and English**
 - **Presented over 30 papers at conferences in Israel and the US**
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Translating Editing

- **Research Editor, The Rohr Jewish Learning Institute**, the world's largest adult education network
Directed translation, bibliographic, historical, research, scholarly apparatus. Created and developed house stylesheet
 - **Translated and edited** Hebrew and English, academic and Torani, books and scholarly articles
 - **Publication Designer, The Rohr Jewish Learning Institute**
Produced over 60 student and teacher textbooks: Design, typography, illustration, information design
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Skills

- Expertise in educational and scholarly publishing:
 - Translating
 - Editing
 - Research
 - Copyediting
 - Publication design
 - Bilingual typesetting
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Experience

Creative Projects Staff, The Afikim Foundation, New York, 2014-present
Rohr Jewish Learning Institute, Research Editor, Brooklyn, 2005-2013
Scholar-in-Residence, The Summer Beit Midrash, The Center for Modern Jewish Leadership, Sharon, MA, 2013-15
Shanah Beit Teachers Program, Taught Biblical Methodology, Detroit, 2000-2004
Michigan Jewish Institute, Taught college courses: Detroit, 1997-2008
Kollel MiTzion, Taught Biblical literary methodology for Israeli teachers, Detroit, 1999-2003
Gesher Foundation, Designed concept/graphic interface for Israeli High School *Tanach* CD-ROM, Jerusalem, 1994
Midrash Made Complex: Nakdimon and The Hegmon, Talmudic Graphic Project, 2000
Design, Research, Literary theory, history, archeology, art/iconography, philology
Academic Sponsorship: **Rennert Center for Jerusalem Studies, Bar-Ilan University**

Education

Accepted to Doctoral Program in Biblical Studies, Bar-Ilan University
Yeshiva University, Bernard Revel Graduate School, MS
Touro College, BA
Yeshiva Tomchei Tmimim
Biblical Studies Seminar with Prof. Nechamah Leibowitz
Bar-Ilan University, Study of *Tanach* with Professors Gavriel Haim Cohen, Uriel Simon, and Moshe Garsiel
Bar-Ilan University Senior Educators Program
Rhode Island School of Design: Illustration, Graphic Design, Typography
New Horizons Computer Learning, Detroit: Dreamweaver, Flash, XHTML, CSS Certificates
College of Creative Studies, Detroit: Flash Animation

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Publications

"Rav, Roman Imagery, and Korah's (True) Colors"

JSIJ (Bar-Ilan Jewish Studies Internet Journal), Accepted February 2015

"The Lulav as the Victory of Tishrei: An Iconic Midrash"

Kolmus, September 2014

"Avnimos HaGardi and Abba Yosef HaBanai: The Builder and the Weaver and their Cosmogonies, A Literary Reading"

JSIJ (Bar-Ilan Jewish Studies Internet Journal), Accepted May 2014

"Dama ben Netinah's Weighted Transaction in Ashkelon: A Literary and Archeological Reading"

Jewish Studies Quarterly, Volume 20 (2013)

"What Do the Dreams of Yosef Really Mean?"

Milin Havivin, The Journal of Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School, October 2013

"סיפור אדריינוס והזקן (ויקרא רבה כה,ה; תנחומא קדושים ח): עימות הלוחם והנוטע"

"Hadrian and the Old Man: The Warrior and the Planter (*Lev. Rabah 25:5, Tanhuma Kedoshim 8*)" [Hebrew]

Netuim, July 2013

"On *Hasibah*: The Meaning of Leaning on Pesach, from Archeology to the Brisker Rav"

Kolmus, April 2013

"על מדרשי שמות תלמודיים: עיצוב ספרותי ומשמעותו"

"On Talmudic Name Wordplay: A Literary Device and its Significance" [Hebrew]

JSIJ (Bar-Ilan Jewish Studies Internet Journal), January 2013

"*Eleh Ezkerah*": Re-Reading the *Asarah Harugei Malchut*"

Hakirah, The Flatbush Journal of Jewish Law and Thought, Winter 2012

"שמשון החידה: מיקום, מדרש שם ומשמעות"

"Samson The Riddle: Place Names, Wordplay, Structure, And Meaning" [Hebrew]

Megadim, January 2007

"Sarah/Sodom: Birth, Destruction, and Synchronic Transaction in Gen. 18-19"

The Journal for the Study of the Old Testament (JSOT), December 2006

"Lemech's Song: Narrative Context and the Poetry of Violence"

Milin Havivin, The Journal of Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School, October 2006

"המצלול המהופך בתורה: היפוך שמיעתי והיפוך משמעות"

"Semantic-Sonant Chiasmus in the Torah: Reversed Sound and Reversed Sense" [Hebrew]

Beit Mikra, October 2005

"The Oven of Achnai Re-Deconstructed"

Hebrew Studies, November 2004

"וילך משה": סיומה של תורה וסגירת מעגל"

"And Moshe Went": Parallelism and Closing a Circle" [Hebrew]

Megadim, June 2004

"*Tekiat Shofar*: Time, Birth, Motherhood"

Mo'ed, June 2004

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Publications

"Vertical Poetics: Interlinear Phonological Parallelism in *Psalms*"
Journal of Northwestern Semitic Languages, January 2004

"The Curse And The Blessing: Narrative Discourse Syntax and Literary Form"
The Journal for the Study of the Old Testament (JSOT), December 2002

"R. Elazar b. Arach: The "Overflowing Spring", the Emmaus Hot Spring, and Intertextual Irony"
The Journal for the Study of Judaism, September 2002

"Reading Crowned Letters and Semiotic Silences in *Menachot* 29b"
The Journal of Jewish Studies, Spring 2002

"יגון והגיון ב'אני הגבר ראה עני': צורה ספרותית ותוכן רעיוני באיכה ג'
"Suffering and Thought in *Lamentations* 3: Form and Content" [Hebrew]
Megadim, Spring, 2002

"ולפני עור לא תתן מכשול": פשט ודרש, דור, דור ודורשיו"
"Before the Blind You Shall Not Put a Stumbling Block": *Peshat* and *Derash* And Beyond" [Hebrew]
Michlol, Michlalah Jerusalem College, May 2002

"The Tower of Babel Deconstructed: Linguistic Structure, Social Structure, and Structural Structure"
Nachalah: The Yeshiva University Journal for the Study of Bible, January 2001

"דוד וגלית, חרב ושם ה': מבנה ומספרים בשמואל א, יז"
"David and Goliath/The Sword and the Name of God: Structure and Numbers in I Sam. 17" [Hebrew]
Megadim, January 2000

"אם אפס רובע הקן": פיוט ופיענוח בסליחה על העקידה"
"If the Quarter of the Nest Has Emptied": *Piyut* and Decoding in a "*Selichah*" On the *Akeidah*" [Hebrew]
Sinai/Sefer Yitzhak Rafael/Mosad HaRav Kook, September 2000

"Twice As Much As Your Spirit: Pattern, Parallel, and Paronomasia in the Miracles of Elijah and Elisha"
The Journal for the Study of the Old Testament (JSOT) September, 1999

"Ten Hungers/Six Barleys: Structure and Redemption in the *Targum* to *Ruth*"
The Journal for the Study of Judaism, April 1999

"The Winter Solstice And Chanukah: The Darkest Point Of Light"
Jewish Action, 1996

"If You Will Give Me Bread To Eat And Clothes To Wear: Food And Clothes In The Sale Of Yosef"
The Journal Of Jewish Thought, 1995

"The Spies: Going Up/Falling"
The Journal of Jewish Thought, 1995

"The Ten Martyrs As The Yom Kipur *Avodah*"
The Journal of Jewish Thought, 1996

"The Gentile Priest, The Gentile Prophet"
The Journal of Jewish Thought, 1996

"Shabbat As Mother Imagery And Father Imagery"
Or HaTorah, 1994

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Presentations

“המחלוקת כמטפורה לעצמה בסיפור האגדי לתלמודי”

“Controversy As Metaphor For Itself in the Aggadic/Halakhic Story” [Hebrew]

Seventh Annual Conference, The Institute for the Study of Rabbinic Thought:

“Dispute in Rabbinic Literature: Its Limits, Logic, and Hermeneutic Status”

Beit Morasha of Jerusalem, December 2004

“הפארדוקס המדרשי כפואטיקה”

“Midrashic Paradox as Poetics”: Structural Readings On The Fracture Between Synchrony And Diachrony and Metaphor and Metonymy In Some Really Interesting *Midrashim* We Came Across In *Shiur*” [Hebrew]

Fourth Annual Conference of The Institute for the Study of Rabbinic Thought:

“Rabbinic Self-Awareness and Intentionality”

Beit Morasha of Jerusalem, December 2001

Shirat HaNesi'im: The Counter-Song of the *Nesi'im*—*Korbanot HaNesi'im* as (Political) Poetry

“*Bnot Moav*”: The “Daughters of Moav” as Narrative, Poetry, and Geography

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 28-29, 2015

“Reuven and Shimon and the Intertextuality of Midrash”

“Deconstructing and Reconstructing the Tower of Babel”

“*Mizmor* 23 and *Mizmor* 30: In Bad Times and in Good”

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 28-29, 2014

“Egyptian Midwives, Egyptian Snakes, and the Redemption of *Bereishit*”

“Amos, Imagery, and the Relation of *Shul* and State”

“The Law of Return: *Sefer Devarim* and the Resolution of the *Chumash* Narrative”

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, May 20-21, 2013

“De-Constructing and Reconstructing the Tower of Babel”

“*Tehilim* 23 and *Tehilim* 30: In Bad Times and in Good Times”

“Reuven and Shimon and the Intertextuality of Midrash”

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 29- 30, 2014

“*Et HaZamir Higiyā`*: The Song of Songs and the Song of the Sea

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 29-30, 2012

“I am the Man Who Saw” (*Eichah* 3): Who is the Man, What Did He See, and Where's He Taking Us?

“*Parshat HaMeraglim*: The Spies, the Spirit, and Calev's Conflict”

“Two Queens/Two Readings of *Megilat Esther*”

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 26-27, 2011

“The Camp of Israel and the Space of Yaakov”

“Chariot of Fire: The Ascent of Eliyahu

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 28-29, 2010

“The Sound of Reversed Poetry in *Tehilim*”

“The Daughters of Tzelofchad: Law, Plot, Narrative”

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 28-29, 2009

“What Did Joseph's Dreams Really Mean?”

“The *Mekalel* and His Significance in *Sefer Vayikra*”

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 29-July 2, 2008

“Narrative and Legal Intertextuality: The Runaway Murderer and the Death of Aharon”

“Fasting and Feasting in Navot's Vineyard”

“*Eileh ha-Devarim* as the *Aseret ha-Dibrot*”

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 25-27, 2007

“Bil'am: Prophet as Donkey, Donkey as Prophet”

“*Tehillim* 113-114: Unpacking Hallel”

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 27-29, 2006

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Presentations

"The Still Small Voice: The Investiture of Elisha"

"Shimshon as His Own Riddle, (Structure, Place and Wordplays As Clues)"

"And Miriam Spoke (Num. 12): Birth, Speech, Redemption, and Close Reading"

"Justice, Justice/Location, Location, Location: Institution and Place in *Sefer Devarim*"

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 26-28, 2005

"*Bereishit/Devarim*, Blessings and Curses: Narrative Discourse and Syntax"

"Yehu and Izevel: Time/Space, Vertical/Horizontal Symmetry"

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 30-July 1, 2004

"Sarah/Sodom, Birth/Destruction, and Synchronic Transaction in *Bereishit* 18-19"

"*VaYeLech Moshe*: Closing the Torah, Closing a Circle"

"*Sefer Ruth*: Six Barlies, Ten Hungers"

Yeshivat Chovevei Torah Rabbinical School's Yemei Iyun on Bible and Jewish Thought, June 25-26, 2003

"Yitro: For I Was a Stranger In A Strange Land And The God of My Father Saved Me From The Sword Of Pharaoh"

Michlalah Jerusalem College, February 2001

"Rabbi Akiva As The Jerusalem of Gold"

Yeshivat HaKotel, February 2001

"New Methods Of Teaching Text: Pattern As *Parshanut*"

Created workshop for **Bureau of Jewish Education of LA**, *Yom Iyun*, 1994

"Clarity And Ambiguity: Deconstruction And Metaphor In Biblical Dream Interpretation"

The Association Of Orthodox Jewish Scientists, 1988

Scholar-in-Residence

"How to Teach Agadah to High School Students"

In-Service Workshop Series for High School Teachers, Yeshivat Akiva, Southfield MI, February 23-March 14, 2016

Lectures, classes, and workshops for Summer Kollel Fellows, and community lectures, on Midrash and Agadah

Scholar-in-Residence, The Summer Beit Midrash, The Center for Modern Jewish Leadership, Sharon, MA, July 13, 2015

Lectures, classes, and workshops for Summer Kollel Fellows, and community lectures, on Midrash and Agadah

Scholar-in-Residence, The Summer Beit Midrash, The Center for Modern Jewish Leadership, Sharon, MA, July 21, 2014

"New Multidisciplinary Approaches in Agadah and Midrash Interpretation":

Lectures, classes, and workshops for Summer Kollel Fellows and Community Educators

Scholar-in-Residence, The Summer Beit Midrash, The Center for Modern Jewish Leadership, Sharon, MA, July 24, 2013

"Midrash and Layers of Meaning: How Midrash Works (and Why) and Why It Matters"

Scholar-In-Residence Shabbaton, Chai Center, Birmingham Bloomfield, MI, November 9-10, 2012