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One of our core goals at the JCA is to provide high quality educational opportunities for people from all walks of life, and to use those programs to help build and enhance Jewish life and culture here in Maine. We are excited to partner with the community to present several incredible adult education offerings over the next few months.

The first is the upcoming [Maine Conference for Jewish Life](#) in Waterville on June 21-23, a pluralistic opportunity for superior Jewish learning and a joyous celebration of Jewish life in Maine! The JCA is a proud sponsor and we hope you'll join us at MCJL for a weekend full of great workshops, panels, classes, and more.

[Shalom Maine](#) is a community collaboration for adult Jewish learning in Southern Maine. With new classes ranging from [Folk Dance](#) to [Russian Literature](#), [Einstein](#) to [Ceramics](#), there truly is something for everyone! Advanced registration required. [Sign up today.](#)

Finally, we're so pleased to present an expanded format of [Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict](#), a course developed by the Shalom Hartman Institute. Through the study of Jewish narratives about Israel and the unpacking of the complex meanings of peace in Jewish tradition, participants are invited to explore the ideas and values that animate different attitudes toward the conflict and how these values shape their own political understandings. Though a common political platform may not be attainable, this course strives to achieve a shared respect for our differences.

Part I will be taught this summer by Rabbi Rachel Isaacs, and Part II will be taught by Melanie Weiss in the fall.

Please see below for more information on these fantastic programs.

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CENTER FOR  
SMALL TOWN  
JEWISH LIFE



# THE MAINE CONFERENCE FOR JEWISH LIFE

A CELEBRATION  
OF JEWISH LIFE  
IN MAINE

JUNE 21-23, 2019

AT THOMAS COLLEGE AND IN DOWNTOWN WATERVERILLE



To register go to  
[colby.edu/jewishlife/conference](http://colby.edu/jewishlife/conference)

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[Maine Conference for Jewish Life](http://colby.edu/jewishlife/conference)

Thomas College and Downtown Waterville, ME

Friday, June 21 - Sunday, June 23, 2019

Early Bird Pricing - \$50/day plus \$40/night for housing (Through May 31)

The Maine Conference for Jewish Life brings people from around the state together to experience the best of Jewish learning, culture, and life. We will spend the weekend

together celebrating the gift of Torah while sharing our stories, struggles, and best practices with one another.

Speakers from around the country will come to deliver lectures, facilitate discussions, and share their art inspired by the jewels of the Jewish tradition. There is babysitting provided, plus a great line up of kids and teens programming.

We should have a van available from Portland to drive up on Friday late afternoon and back Sunday after the conclusion of the conference, for those who do not wish to drive.

This conference will represent a living example of Jewish pluralism. There will be multi-denominational services throughout the conference, and we will all learn, sing, and celebrate together. All are welcome!

Schedule/Session info can be found here: <http://www.colby.edu/jewishlife/schedule/>

Register here: <http://www.colby.edu/jewishlife/registration/>

Any questions can be sent to [maweiss@colby.edu](mailto:maweiss@colby.edu)

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# SHALOM MAINE

## MAINE

A community collaboration for adult Jewish learning

### SPRING | SUMMER | FALL 2019 ADULT EDUCATION COURSES

**Advanced registration required.**

**Courses are offered on a sliding scale with a suggested tuition at different locations around Southern Maine. Course schedule is subject to change or cancellation pending minimum enrollment.**

**For course descriptions and to register, visit [www.shalomme.com](http://www.shalomme.com) or call (207) 772-1959.**

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#### [Israeli & International Folk Dance](#)

**With Barbara Merson**

Thursdays - May 23, 30; June 6, 20, 27

6:30 - 8:00 PM (skip June 13)

Temple Beth El - 400 Deering Ave.,  
Portland

Suggested tuition: \$50

Registration deadline: May 20

#### [Jewish Songs for Everyone](#)

**With Russell Kaback**

Wednesdays - May 29; June 5, 12, 19

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Congregation Bet Ha'am - 81 Westbrook  
St., South Portland

Suggested tuition: \$36

Registration deadline: May 23

#### [Jewish Voices in Russian Literature](#)

**With Alyssa Gillespie**

Sundays - June 16, 30; July 7, 14

#### [Einstein & Oppenheimer](#)

**With David Hecht**

Sundays - June 30; July 7, 14

10:00 - 11:30 AM

Temple Beth El - 400 Deering Ave.,  
Portland

Suggested tuition: \$36

Registration deadline: June 26

#### [Create Your Own Ceramic Judaica](#)

**With Toby Rosenberg**

Wednesdays - July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Aug. 7

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

JCA - 1342 Congress St., Portland

Suggested tuition: \$90 ▪ Materials fee: \$40

Registration deadline: June 28

#### [Introduction to Holocaust Education](#)

**With David Greenham**

10:00 - 11:30 AM (skip June 23)  
Beth Israel Congregation, Bath  
Suggested tuition: \$54  
Registration deadline: June 12

**[A Taste of Mussar](#)  
[\(Soul work using Jewish texts\)](#)**

**With Barbara Merson**

Tuesdays - June 18, 25; July 2, 9  
10:00 - 11:30 AM

Congregation Bet Ha'am - 81 Westbrook St., South Portland

Suggested tuition: \$54

Registration deadline: June 13

Tuesdays - July 16, 23, 30

10:00 - 11:30 AM

Congregation Bet Ha'am - 81 Westbrook St., South Portland

Suggested tuition: \$36

Registration deadline: July 11

**[Famous \(& Favorite\) Disputes in the Talmud](#)**

**With Zoë Lang**

Sundays - July 21, 28; Aug. 4, 18

10:00 - 11:30 AM (skip Aug. 11)

Temple Beth El - 400 Deering Ave., Portland

Suggested tuition: \$54

Registration deadline: July 17

To register and for more information,  
visit [www.shalomme.com](http://www.shalomme.com) or call (207) 772-1959.

Questions? Email [info@shalomme.com](mailto:info@shalomme.com)



**iEngage** Jewish Values and the  
Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

**[Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict, Part I](#)**

**An iEngage course developed by the Shalom Hartman Institute  
With Rabbi Rachel Isaacs**

**Tuesday evenings, 6:00 - 8:00 PM**

**Six sessions: July 9, 16, 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20 (No class on July 23)**

JCA - 1342 Congress St., Portland

Suggested tuition: \$18 for the course

Advanced registration required at [www.mainejewish.org/programs/adult-jewish-learning/](http://www.mainejewish.org/programs/adult-jewish-learning/)

Jewish Values and the Israeli Palestinian Conflict (Part I), the first six sessions of a 12-session course developed by the Shalom Hartman Institute, explores one of the most divisive issues affecting the Jewish people today.

Through the study of Jewish narratives about Israel and the unpacking of the complex meanings of peace in Jewish tradition, participants are invited to explore the ideas and values that animate different attitudes toward the conflict and how these values shape their own political understandings. Though a common political platform may not be attainable, this course strives to achieve a shared respect for our differences.

The class will be facilitated by Rabbi Rachel Isaacs of Colby College and Beth Israel Congregation in Waterville, and includes readings, group discussion and video clips of lectures and interviews of prominent thinkers, scholars and public figures.

Advanced registration required. Finances should not be a barrier to participation. Please contact Deena at [dschoenfeld@mainejewish.org](mailto:dschoenfeld@mainejewish.org) or 772-1959 to inquire about subsidized

tuition.

Part II of this course will be offered in the fall.



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