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October 6, 2021 - 30 Tishrei 5782

JCA PROGRAMS

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JCA ANNUAL MEETING

Online via Zoom

Thursday, October 7th | 5:30 PM EST

Please join us TOMORROW evening for the JCA Annual Meeting, where we'll honor new and retiring Board members, celebrate our community award winners, review the past year, and share our vision for the year ahead!



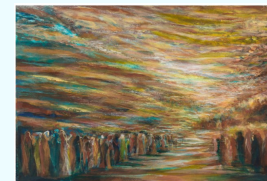
Here is the Zoom link to tune in to the Annual Meeting on Thursday, October 7th:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89541539382>

TORAH CONVERSATIONS: An online weekly study group facilitated by Ellie Miller

Thursdays, 10:00 – 11:00 AM | Starting October 14th

We continue our journey through the the Torah, beginning with the book of Exodus, engaged in a careful reading of every word of the text. We focus on language and structure along with the stories and values the text imparts.



This is a weekly Zoom gathering, informed by various translations of the Hebrew text and a variety of commentaries, ancient and modern. All are welcome to participate on a drop-in basis – no prior experience is necessary. A text of the Hebrew Bible is required - all translations are appropriate. The sessions will last one hour, with an opportunity to continue the discussion for an additional 15 minutes until 11:15 AM.

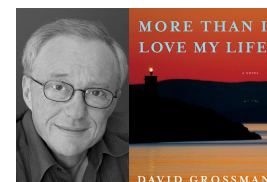
All participants must sign up by Tuesday, October 12th (including former attendees) to join the study group and receive the Zoom link.

[Sign up to join the group](#)

DAVID GROSSMAN DISCUSSES *More Than I Love My Life: A Novel*

A virtual author talk presented by the JCA as a member of the JBC Network, and hosted by the Jewish Book Council

Weds. October 20th | 12:30 PM EST



Join internationally best-selling author David Grossman in a conversation about love, trauma, and healing. *More Than I Love My Life* is the story of three generations of women on an unlikely journey to a Croatian island and a secret that needs to be told. The novel

was inspired by the true story of one of Grossman's longtime confidantes who, in the early 1950s, was held on the notorious Goli Otok (the "Adriatic Alcatraz"). Moderated by the Jewish Book Council's own Marilyn Hassid.

The book is available to [order locally from our friends at Longfellow Books](#).

Register

AROUND THE JEWISH WORLD

*Local programs highlighted in light blue

MAINE JEWISH MUSEUM Exhibit Opening Reception

267 Congress St., Portland

Thursday, October 7th | 5:00 – 7:00 PM

We are thrilled to welcome you to our three newest exhibitions which will be up through November 12. Masks required for all visitors.

***Dancing in the Light* - Arthur Fink**

***Deep Sea* - Michel Droge**

***Reflectors, Emitters and Diffusers* - PSBL Collective**

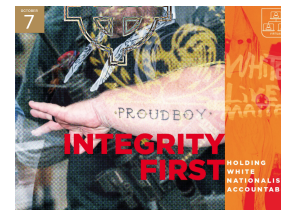


INTEGRITY FIRST FOR AMERICA: Exposing the Web of Hatred

A virtual event presented by the Temple Emanuel Streicker Center

Thursday, October 7th | 7:00 PM ET

Once in a generation, a trial can help shift the trajectory of the nation. This generation's trial begins in three weeks. The landmark lawsuit filed by Integrity First for America alleges that the organizers of the 2017 Unite the Right rally never expected a peaceful demonstration. Rather, as the evidence shows, they spent months planning a weekend of violence that has served as a harbinger of the extremism plaguing our country. If successful, *Sines v. Kessler* will strike a devastating blow against the white supremacist movement and forge a legal path forward against violent hate.



Register

CHOOSING JUSTICE: Bringing Tikkun Olam Home to Our Communities

An online 4-part series with the Boulder JCC

Sundays, Oct. 10 – Nov. 14 | 6:30 PM ET

\$10 per session | \$40 for all four sessions

Join us for an exciting interactive speaker series moderated by Rabbi Dr. Tirzah Firestone in conversation with leaders at the forefront of racial justice, collective healing, and change-making in our communities. The series will provide us and our communities with creative opportunities for critical reflection on race, religion, and identity, and will generate authentic and meaningful conversation so that we can show up in the world with more sensitivity and compassion. Speakers include:

- Dr. Anita Sanchez, Indigenous Educator and award-winning author | **October 10**
- Freedom Kimberly Cartwright, American Descendant of Slavery and Racial Justice Activist and Educator | **October 24**
- Ilana Kaufman, Executive Director, Jews of Color Initiative | **November 9**
- Dr. Penny Rosenwasser, white Ashkenazi Jewish Social Justice Educator | **November 14**



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MAINE NEEDS MITZVAH PROJECT KIT ASSEMBLY DAY

With Temple Beth El – 400 Deering Ave., Portland

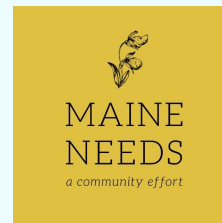
Susan T. Goldberg Courtyard weather permitting

Monday, October 11th | 10 AM

Join us as we aim to assemble nearly 100 kits on Monday, October 11 to complete our 5782 Maine Needs Mitzvah Project! We'll plan to be in the courtyard if possible, or in the Social Hall if it rains.

We will have the cleaning supplies necessary to assemble these kits, but if you'd like to bring any additional donations, Maine Needs just released lists of items that they are now collecting for incoming Afghan refugees ([listed here](#)). Please feel free to bring items from those lists to TBE during kit assembly and we will bring them to Maine Needs.

Questions? Email office@tbemaine.org



STUDIO ISRAEL FEATURING RAIDA ADON

A free virtual event from the Schusterman Center for Israel Studies at Brandeis University

Thursday, October 14th | 12 PM ET



Join us for a conversation with Israeli-born Palestinian multi-media artist, director, and actor Raída Adon. In her work, Adon employs fictional narratives imbued with a sense of alienation to address a personal and collective search for identity and longing for home.

[Register](#)

FALL SHABBATON with Elana Arian

With the Center for Small Town Jewish Life

Friday, October 29 - Saturday, October 30, 2021

Join us for a new version of the much-anticipated Fall Shabbaton with some in-person and some virtual programming:



Friday, Oct. 29 at 6:30 pm - live-streamed musical Kabbalat Shabbat service with Elana Arian and Rabbi Rachel Isaacs. This will be available to the entire community. Register to get the link.

Saturday, Oct. 30 - join us in person at Temple Beth El in Augusta, outdoors under a tent, for a Shabbat afternoon of music, learning, and delicious food.

- 1:30 pm: Live Concert with Elana Arian
- 3 pm: Torah Study
- 4:30 pm: Falafel for all!

We are beyond excited to welcome you online and in person for this enriching, inspiring weekend. For more details, and to register, check out the Shabbaton [website](#).

[Register](#)

YOGA & FITNESS

OUTDOOR YOGA IN PAYSON PARK

With Ashley Flowers Yoga

Wednesdays | 5:30 – 6:30 PM



There is no better place to practice yoga than outdoors with the grass beneath your toes, and the wind in your hair! Practicing outside also allows us ample space for social distancing and lots of fresh air. Find a deeper sense of connection to yourself, to mother earth, and to your community with in-person, outdoor yoga! Pre-

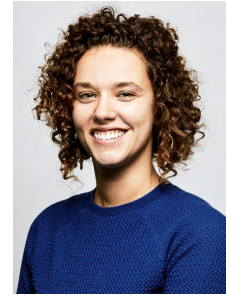
registration required through Ashley's website. Class location will be emailed to registered attendees.

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ONLINE YOGA CLASSES

With JCA instructor Ashley Flowers

- **Monday - 5:30 PM Evening Yoga**
- **Tuesday - 11:30 AM Midday Yoga**
- **Wednesday - 9:00 AM Rise & Flow Yoga**
- **Thursday - 10:15 AM Midday Yoga**
- **Friday - 9:00 AM Rise & Flow Yoga**



Classes are \$5/session. Plus enjoy several free yoga/meditation videos [here!](#)

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JCA NEWS & UPDATES

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT THE JCA

The JCA is currently hiring for several full time and part time positions. For more information about these exciting opportunities to join our team and how to apply, [CLICK HERE.](#)



PROPOSED SLATE OF BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2021-2022

In advance of our [Annual Meeting on October 7th](#), the JCA is pleased to announce the proposed slate of Board Members for 2021-2022! Join us on **Thursday, October 7th at 5:30 PM**, where we'll honor new and retiring Board members, celebrate our community award winners, review the past year, and share our vision for the year ahead.



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