SPRING 2016

Spring Focus: A World of Diversity

Wednesday, February 10

Lectures

The Ark of the Great Synagogue of Vilna, Lithuania
FEBRUARY

LECTURES

Wednesday, February 10, 7 p.m.
Mali II Lecture Hall, Charles Dana Hall, University of Hartford

“Embers Plucked from the Fire: The Rescue of Jewish Cultural Treasures in Vilna”
David Fishman
Jewish Theological Seminary of America

“Reconstructing the Great Synagogue of Vilna”
Richard Freund
University of Hartford

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

LECTURE

Tuesday, February 16, 7:30 p.m.
Mali II Lecture Hall, Charles Dana Hall, University of Hartford

“Arab International Students’ Experience at a U.S. University: Some Results of My New Doctoral Study”
Hazza Abu Rabia
University of Hartford

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

COURSE AND TRAVEL

Offered in partnership with the University of Hartford’s Presidents’ College.

Wednesdays, February 24; March 2, 23, 30; 3:30 p.m.
KF Room, Mortensen Library, Harry Jack Gray Center
University of Hartford

The History and Archaeology of Rhodes
A brief, introductory course to the fascinating Greek island of Rhodes, including a field trip to Rhodes (March 9–17).

For more information, contact mgcjs@hartford.edu.
MARCH

Thursday, March 3, 7:30 p.m.
Mali II Lecture Hall, Charles Dana Hall, University of Hartford

“Teaching the Holocaust through Muslim Eyes”
Mehnaz M. Afridi
Manhattan College, New York, N.Y.

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

Sponsored in part by the Islamic and Arabic Studies Fund at the University of Hartford’s Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies, UConn Office of Global Affairs, Jewish Federation Association of Connecticut, and the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford.

Thursday, March 24, 7:30 p.m.
Mali II Lecture Hall, Charles Dana Hall, University of Hartford

“Mona Lisa of Nazareth: The Discovery of the Ancient Mosaic of the Church of the Annunciation”
Maha Darawsha
University of Connecticut
University of Hartford

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Lecture made possible in part by the Scribante Family Excavation Fund and the Steven Konover Arabic Language and Culture Fund at the University of Hartford’s Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies.

APRIL

Monday, April 4, 7:30 p.m.
Mali II Lecture Hall, Charles Dana Hall, University of Hartford

“Jews and Photography: The Next Frontier for Teaching about Museums and Archives”
Michael Berkowitz
University College, London, England

Limited seating; reservations required:
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APRIL

FILM AND DISCUSSION

Sunday, April 10, 7:30 p.m.
Gillman Theater, Mandell Jewish Community Center
335 Bloomfield Avenue, West Hartford

Tribute: Observations on Survival and Spirit

Film: Der Letzte Mensch
“Reel Talk” discussion with Associate Professor Avinoam Patt,
University of Hartford, and Professor Samuel Kassow,
Trinity College; reception to follow.
Preview of documentary film Who Will Write Our History?

Reservations required; for tickets and information, see www.hjff.org.

Sponsored by the Kirstein Family Fund for Holocaust Education at the Jewish
Community Foundation of Greater Hartford.

LECTURE, AWARD, AND TRIBUTE

Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

The 2016 Edward Lewis Wallant Award
Recipient: Rebecca Dinerstein, The Sunlit Night (Bloomsbury, 2015)

Tribute
Mark Schechner (of blessed memory), Wallant Award judge
Ehud Havazelet (of blessed memory), Wallant Award winner, 2011
Irving Waltman (of blessed memory)

Panel
Victoria Aarons, Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas
Joshua Lambert, National Yiddish Book Center
Avinoam Patt, University of Hartford

Limited seating; reservations required: 860.768.5018.

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MAY

AWARDS CEREMONY

Monday, May 2, 7 p.m.
Wilde Auditorium, Harry Jack Gray Center, University of Hartford

Greenberg Center Awards
Holocaust Educator Awards, Fishman Family Fund Awards
Muriel Hoff American Jewish Poetry Prize

Limited seating; reservations required: 860.768.5018.

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Chase Family Foundation, and the Muriel Hoff Fund.
JUDAIC STUDIES COURSES

SPRING 2016

Classes begin Tuesday, January 19, 2016. Registration and tuition are required for all courses. Call the Registrar’s Office, University of Hartford, at 860.768.4999. Special rates for select courses are available through the Mandell Jewish Community Center at 860.236.4571.

JS 204 Arabic Literature, History, and Culture in Translation
Section 17181: Tuesdays, 7:30–9:50 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia

JS 210 Responses to the Holocaust
Section 17819: Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:55–4:10 p.m.
Instructor: Abigail Miller

JS 215 Introduction to World Religions
Section 19271: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30–4:45 p.m.
Instructor: Richard Freund

JS 218W Introduction to Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Ethics
Section 17707: Thursdays, 5–7:20 p.m.
Instructor: Richard Freund

JS 325 American Jewish Novel
Section 20623: Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:30–2:45 p.m.
Instructor: Eli Bromberg

JS 425 Contemporary Studies in Jewish Civilization: Racial and Ethnic Violence
Section 22144: Thursdays, 7:30–9:50 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia

LANGUAGE COURSES

ARA 111 Arabic Language and Culture II
Section 16602: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:50–6:05 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia

HBR 113 Elementary Hebrew I
Section 21229: Tuesdays, 5–7:20 p.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

HBR 114 Elementary Hebrew II
Section 16172: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:25–10:40 a.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

HBR 118 Advanced Hebrew Language: Conversation and Reading
Section 17761: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:05–3:20 p.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

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SUMMERTERM 2016 COURSES

HBR 113 Hebrew Language I: Elementary Conversational Hebrew
Section 28957: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 5–8 p.m.
Instructor: Yifat Avner

JS 380 Independent Study in Judaic Studies
Section 26834: TBD
Instructor: Avinoam Patt
Section 27370: TBD
Instructor: Richard Freund

JS 425 Continuing Studies in Jewish Civilization: Great Powers in the Middle East, Part I
Section 27931: Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia
5/18–6/3

JS 425 Continuing Studies in Jewish Civilization: Great Powers in the Middle East, Part II
Section 28162: Monday–Friday, 1:30–4:30 p.m.
Instructor: Hazza Abu Rabia
5/18–6/3

JS 425 Continuing Studies in Jewish Civilization: Distance Learning
Section 27639
Instructor: Staff (Gratz College)
6/13–8/7

SUMMERTERM IN ISRAEL COURSES

JS 306 Archaeology of the Land of Israel
Section 26847: Monday–Friday, all day in Israel
Instructor: Richard Freund
5/22–6/5

JS 307 Archaeological Field Methods
Section 26846: Monday–Friday, all day in Israel
Instructor: Richard Freund
5/22–6/5

JS 500 Bible and Archaeology
Section 26903: Monday–Friday, all day in Israel
Instructor: Richard Freund
5/22–6/5

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