

B'NAI B'RITH JEWISH HERITAGE FESTIVAL
1ST SEPTEMBER TO 31ST DECEMBER 2025

The People of the Book

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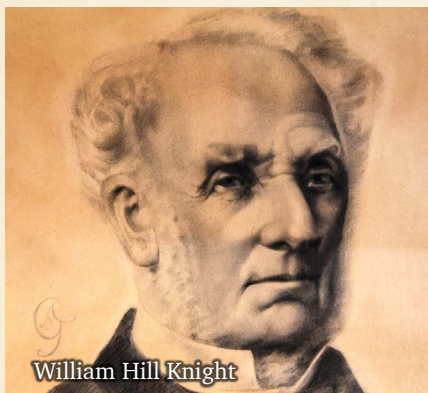
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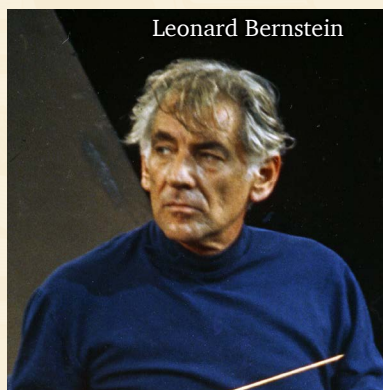
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in person, everyone is welcome
to join in with B'nai B'rith UK's
Jewish Heritage Days 2025



Our programme explores the theme of 'The People of the Book', which lends itself to a huge range of potential events, whether real or virtual. All of these interpretations offer a wealth of opportunities for open days, talks, virtual guided walks and online exhibitions.



William Hill Knight



Leonard Bernstein

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Worth Park Lake





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UK Organisers: B'nai B'rith UK

B'nai B'rith UK was established in 1910. It is part of an international organisation founded in 1843, which advocates for global Jewry and champions the cause of human rights. B'nai B'rith is active in 59 countries with representation at the UN, UNESCO and the EU.

B'nai B'rith UK is a cross-communal organisation whose aim is to bring Jewish people together to promote tolerance, strengthen the Jewish Community, combat racial and religious prejudice, to help the less fortunate and the disadvantaged.

Local groups provide innovative cultural, educational and social programmes. These include speaker events, concerts, theatre outings, quizzes, debates, visits to places of interest, walks and trips abroad. These provide a great social network and the opportunity to participate in and support our humanitarian and heritage projects.

BBUK's hugely successful programme of online talks, established at the beginning of lockdown in March 2020, carries on throughout 2025 and continues to attract a large number of attendees around the world. The European Days of Jewish Culture and Heritage, run by a team of volunteers, is a mainstay of our calendar.

B'nai B'rith UK's Bureau of International Affairs engages with the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, the Department for International Development, foreign embassies and NGOs on behalf of Jewish people internationally and to support Israel. More widely, we promote the human rights of minority groups.



B'NAI B'RITH UK

We sponsor a Foodbank and Distribution Centre in the southern Israeli development town of Qiryat Gat, plus an after-school activity club for children. We also support a humanitarian medical programme for

elderly Jews and righteous gentiles in Kyiv, Ukraine and a shoe programme for a children's orphanage in Odesa, now relocated to Romania because of the war in Ukraine. All the projects are clearly explained on our website www.bnaibrithuk.org

If you wish to donate to our projects by SmartGiving, details are on our website <https://www.bnaibrithuk.org/donate> or you can do so by bank transfer using the following details:

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Other B'nai B'rith UK activities include providing scholarships for Jewish final year civil engineering or postgraduate students or for those studying other pure or applied sciences; and supporting an annual Moral Leadership course for the Armed Forces Jewish Community.

This booklet is also available as a downloadable pdf at bnaibrithuk.org





European Days of Jewish Culture and Heritage

(EDJCH) 2025: UNITED KINGDOM

For this year's heritage activities, B'nai B'rith UK's European Days of Jewish Culture and Heritage (EDJCH) team has once again created this online booklet, which will include both in-person and virtual events, talks, open days, exhibitions and guided walks.

Many sites are open to the public in person, while others are also running online events. We are thrilled to have such a large number of organisations, synagogues and walking guides taking part in our heritage activities this year, with some holding more than one event. There is a good mixture of in-person and virtual events, with many venues welcoming visitors in person with open arms.

Initiated by the B'nai B'rith Lodge in Strasbourg, the EDJCH rapidly spread across Europe and celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2024. It is organised by a partnership between B'nai B'rith Europe, the European Council of Jewish Communities and the Spanish Jewry Network and is part of the Council of Europe's project 'Europe - A Common Heritage'. As a result of the EDJCH, the European Route of Jewish Heritage has evolved and is now one of the major cultural routes of Europe.

For 2025, the European Days of Jewish Culture and Heritage will run from 1st September to 31st December inclusive. The National Heritage Open Days runs from 12th to 21st September this year, which ties in nicely with our own dates.

Our theme for 2025 is 'The People of the Book', which lends itself to a huge range of potential events, whether real or virtual. Some suggestions include:

- The role of the written word in Jewish culture and its broader connections of interfaith dialogue with Christianity and Islam.
- The enduring power of the written and spoken word and their ability to connect us across time and place, serving as bridges between our current lives and the past.
- The breadth of Jewish cultural expression, whether in poetry, art, music, literature, journalism, podcasts, film or theatre.
- How storytelling is woven into the fabric of Jewish identity.
- The richness of the world of words and books, connecting us to the past, guiding us in the present and inspiring us to imagine a more inclusive future.

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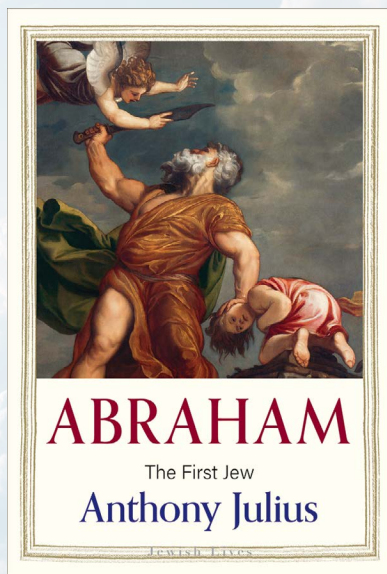
IN CONVERSATION

Abraham as you have never known him

Lawyer and author Anthony Julius
in conversation about his new book
with Rabbi Michael Pollak

The story of *Abraham, The First Jew*, portrayed as two lives lived by one person, paralleling the contradictions in Judaism throughout its history.

In this new biography of Abraham - Judaism's foundational figure - **Anthony Julius** offers an account of the origins of a fundamental struggle within Judaism between scepticism and faith, critique and affirmation, thinking for oneself and thinking under the direction of another.



Anthony Julius will sign copies
of his book after the event

Sunday 19th October at 7.30pm
£20 Pre-booking required

Refreshments served from 7pm. Venue details given on booking.



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eventbrite.co.uk/e/1473584373529



Anthony Julius



Deputy Chairman at international law firm Mishcon de Reya and holds the Chair in Law and Arts in the Faculty of Laws, UCL. As a lawyer, he is best known for his successful defence of historian Deborah Lipstadt in the libel case brought by David Irving. As a scholar, he is the author of the widely praised *Trials of the Diaspora: A History of Anti-Semitism in England*, amongst other books

Rabbi Michael Pollak



Studied at City of London School. Spent three years at the legendary Chevron Yeshiva, Jerusalem and then graduated in Philosophy at the London School of Economics. Consultant in education for the UJIA, London School of Jewish Studies and Partnership for Jewish Schools, whilst teaching Daf Hayomi at the Ner Yisrael Community Centre and Ethics and Religion at Hendon School. Also is Director of Education at Yad Vashem UK.

Advance Praise for “Abraham The First Jew”

“This brilliantly original and often deeply moving book tells the story of Abraham so as to set out a narrative of ‘faith’ itself—the relation of faith to reason, the abiding tension between claimed conviction and inescapable or tragic questioning, the way in which, like Abraham, we may be both ‘residents’ and ‘aliens’ in the world of discourse about God. A unique and searching masterpiece.”

Rowan Williams, theologian and poet, University of Cambridge

“Learned, rich in revelation, beautifully articulated and researched. In an age when the phrase ‘the Abrahamic religions’ is tossed about with ease, it is more than fascinating to follow Anthony Julius’s meditations on the man himself.”

Stephen Fry, TV presenter, writer, author of *Mythos*

“Fascinating and profound, scholarly and playful, philosophical and aesthetic, Anthony Julius’s Abraham is an original and compelling hybrid that brings Abraham to life and through him discusses the nature of faith and his own personal philosophy.”

Simon Sebag Montefiore, author of *Jerusalem: The Biography*

“Anthony Julius’s Abraham is beautifully written, provocative, and wise.”

Martha C. Nussbaum, University of Chicago



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Listings

Events are subject to alteration and possible cancellation up to the last minute, so it is essential to phone or email the organisers or venues in advance.

Ongoing

Around the UK

Live only

Worth Park History Society

Gardens: Worth Park is a 40-acre public park on the East side of Crawley, West Sussex. The formal gardens that surrounded Worth Park Mansion and laid out in the 1880's have been restored to the Victorian splendor of yesteryear, creating a unique gem that is enjoyed by many today. The Italianate Terraces, geometric forms and Camellia Corridor, meadow and lake area are all maintained by our excellent garden team and volunteers. The former stables to Worth Park Mansion houses the Visitor Centre, where you can find displays on history of the park and the Montefiore family. The former stable

complex was built to compliment the mansion. Built in 1882, it is now Grade II listed. Jame Pulham and Sons laid out the formal features of the garden, while in the lake there is a Pulhamite Islet and stonework on the larger island. A Fern Rockery has been restored at the former carriage turning circle to the mansion. Grade II. The park is open at all times. The Visitor Centre is open at various times. Free to enter. Worth Park Gardens, Milton Mount Avenue, Pound Hill, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 3DH. Car parking is limited. Contact: Elizabeth Steven on: 07970 843580 or check the website: worthparkhistory@btinternet.com <https://www.facebook.com/WPHistorySociety> **DA DT P TS**



Worth Park Lake



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Ongoing

Virtual and Live Museum of Liverpool



Walk: Liverpool Jewish Community Trail. Make the most of your visit to the Museum of Liverpool and explore our displays about Liverpool's Jewish Community by following our museum trail. Museum community trails can be downloaded virtually from the Museum of Liverpool website or collected from the Museum of Liverpool information desk in-person. Open 10am-4pm Tuesday to Sunday until 14th February 2025. Open 10am-5pm Tuesday to Sunday from 15th February 2025. Open on Mondays only during school holidays. Museum entry is free. Donations gratefully received at donation points in the Museum of Liverpool building. Museum of Liverpool, Pier Head, Mann Island, L3 1DG. For more information: www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk/museum-of-liverpool/access-and-facilities-museum-of-liverpool **DA DT L TS**

To 2nd November

Around the UK

Live only

Manchester Jewish Museum

Exhibition: Adapting to Change: The artwork of Beverley-Jane Stewart. As communities evolve, so do the stories within them. Beverley-Jane Stewart captures these shifts in the communal life of a city by taking synagogues as a starting point to trace the changes in the lives of the people around them. Manchester Jewish Museum proudly presents three of Stewart's series of paintings: Synagogue Series: An intimate invitation into some of



National Trust - Nymans



the UK's most remarkable places of worship. Jewish Visual Stories: A compelling chronicle of change within British Jewish communities. Beyond the Ashes: A poignant exploration of destroyed synagogues across the Middle East and their enduring Sephardi connections. The exhibition is available as part of General Admission to the museum. Grade II. 10am-5pm (last entry at 4pm). Included in General Admission to the museum 190 Cheetham Hill Road, M8 8LW, Manchester. Unfortunately there is no on site parking, however there is free parking on all streets around the museum. If travelling for an event we recommend leaving enough time for a short walk from your car to the museum. Blue badge holders can park for up to three hours on any single or double yellow line so long as you aren't blocking any access to loading areas. . 0161 834 9879 tickets@manchesterjewishmuseum.com. www.manchesterjewishmuseum.com -

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Hughenden Manor, National Trust

**Sunday 7th September to
Tuesday 30th September**

Around the UK

Live only

Nymans, National Trust

Exhibition: Display about the Messel family's Jewish origins. Grade II listed building. 10am to 4pm (last entry: 3.30pm). Free to National Trust members. Non members: adults: £18, children: £9. Nymans, Staplefield Road, Handcross, West Sussex RH17 6EB. There is a large visitor car park at the entrance to the property. **DA DT P TS S**

**Monday 8th September to
Sunday 21st September**

Around the UK

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Hughenden Manor, National Trust

Talk: *'Benjamin Disraeli and his Judaism'*. Hughenden Manor was the fascinating home of Benjamin Disraeli, first and only Earl of Beaconsfield. As part of our usual offering of talks about Benjamin



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Disraeli, we will offer an additional talk each day, which will look at Benjamin's life as a Jew. Hughenden is a Victorian gothic mansion, remodelled for Benjamin Disraeli by Edward Buckton Lamb. Grade I listed building. Site is open 10am - 5pm. Last entry at 4.30pm. Talk will take place daily at 1pm. Adults: £16.50. Children: £8.30, Families: £41.30. All include Gift Aid and are subject to change. Hughenden Manor, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP14 4LA. Please follow directions on site, and check website in advance. For more information:

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/oxfordshire-buckinghamshire-berkshire/hughenden DA DT P TS



Wiener Holocaust Library

Tuesday 9th September

London

Live only

B'nai B'rith Yitzchak Rabin Lodge

Coach outing to Strawberry Hill House, Twickenham. Strawberry Hill House is Grade I listed, set in a Grade II listed landscape created by Horace Walpole in the 18th century. This extraordinary building is internationally famous as Britain's finest example of Georgian Gothic revival architecture and home to an increasingly important collection of paintings and objects. Trip will take place from: 10.30am-5.15pm. Coach £25. Admission and refreshments at own expense. For booking details, contact: sheila.aubrey@gmail.com or call: 0208 537 1511. www.bnaibrithuk.org

Thursday 11th September

London

Virtual only

The Wiener Holocaust Library

Talk: 'Revealing suppressed culture – Lost histories in the archives of The Wiener Holocaust Library'. Speaker: Barbara Warnock, Senior Curator and Head of Education Wiener Holocaust Library. The Wiener Holocaust Library is one of the world's leading and most extensive archives on the Holocaust, the Nazi era and genocide. The Library celebrated its 90th anniversary in 2024. The talk will take place from: 3pm to 4pm. The talk is free but donations are accepted.



Pre-booking required: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/revealing-suppressed-culture-lost-histories-in-the-archives-of-the-whl-tickets-1450137312739?aff=oddttdcreator>
For more information, contact: Barbara Warnock on: 0207 636 7247 or email: bwarnock@wienerholocaustlibrary.org
<https://wienerholocaustlibrary.org/>

Sunday 14th September

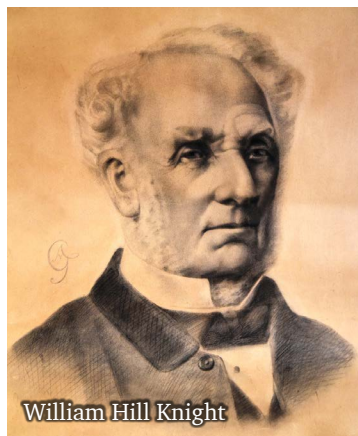
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B'nai Brith Cheshire Lodge

Talk: 'Liverpool – A Jewish Community Through Its Architecture'. Talk by architect Ronald Gonshaw. Dip Arch (Lpool) RIBA. The talk is based on a presentation given about Princes Road Synagogue, Liverpool on the occasion of its 150th anniversary. It begins with an overview of the history of Synagogue Architecture, before looking

at Liverpool in particular and then current trends. 7.30- 9.30 pm. Talk is free. South Manchester Location. Pre-booking required. Members will be informed of venue on booking. For more information: cheshire@bnaibrithuk.org www.bnaibrithuk.org/b-nai-b-rith-cheshire **DA DT P TS S**



William Hill Knight



Cheltenham Synagogue



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Cheltenham Synagogue

Open Door: Cheltenham Synagogue Welcomes Visitors. Cheltenham's Grade II listed Regency Synagogue contains the oldest Ashkenazi furniture (1761) in use in the UK. There are two prayer plaques on the walls from the 18th century, one in Hebrew and the other, a prayer for the Royal Family, in English. 11.00 am to 2.00pm. Free but donations welcome. The Synagogue, Synagogue Lane, St James's Square, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL50 3PU. Chelt Walk



Reading Synagogue

car park is alongside the Synagogue. For more information contact; Jenny Silverston on: 01242 242724 or email: info@cheltenhamssynagogue.org.uk www.cheltenhamssynagogue.org.uk TS

Live only

Cheltenham Synagogue

Talk: 'The Life and Work of William Hill Knight'. Grade II listed building. The Synagogue was William Hill Knight's first design aged 22. He went on to design some of Cheltenham's other iconic buildings. Talk takes place from: 2.00pm to 2.30pm and will outline his life and work. Free but donations are accepted. The Synagogue, Synagogue Lane, St James's Square, Cheltenham Gloucestershire, GL50 3PU. Chelt Walk public car park is alongside the Synagogue. For more information contact: Jenny Silverston on: 07762 218662 or email: info@cheltenhamssynagogue.org.uk www.cheltenhamssynagogue.org.uk TS

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Oxford Jewish Congregation

Open Door: Welcoming the public to the synagogue. 2.00pm - 5.30pm. 21 Richmond Road, Oxford, OX1 2JL. For more information: www.ojc-online.org DA DT TS S

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New Manchester Walks

Walk: "The Old Jewish Ghetto of Manchester". Ed Glinert, Britain's most prolific tour guide, leads this walk from Manchester Victoria Station to the Manchester Jewish Museum. 12 noon - 2pm. Manchester Victoria Station wallmap, M3 1WY. 07769 29 8068 info@newmanchesterwalks.com. www.newmanchesterwalks.com



Live only

Reading Hebrew Congregation

Open Afternoon with Exhibition. Reading Synagogue is a traditional synagogue in a Moorish Style that opened on 31st October 1900 and is still in regular use.

Additional exhibition produced by the Board of Deputies. Grade II listed building. 2.30pm to 5.00pm. Free but donations accepted. Synagogue, 7 Goldsmid Road, Reading Berkshire RG1 7YB. There is limited parking in local streets but there is a Q-Park nearby. For more information contact: Sue Clarke 0118 957 3954. www.readingsynagogue.uk TS S

Live only

The Salomons Museum

Talk: 'Books and People at Salomons'. Salomons (Broomhill) was the country home of the Salomons family from 1929 to the mid-1930s. Designed by Decimus Burton, it sits in 36 acres of picturesque grounds. Vera Salomons donated the estate to KCC in 1937 as a convalescent home, but specified that two rooms be retained as a museum to her family.

Chris Jones, the current curator, will use books from the museum - religious, scientific and family memorabilia - to tell the story of the house and the family. Grade II listed building. 2pm to 3.30pm. The talk is free. Salomons Estate, Broomhill Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. TN3 0TG. There is parking for visitors. Pre-booking required. Please contact: Salomons Reception (booking

opens 1st August) on: 01892 515152.

www.thecivicsociety.org/Salomons.htm DA P TS

London

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Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain

Family History Workshop: Finding out more about the lives of your Jewish ancestors. 2.30 pm to 5pm. A free event. Westminster Synagogue, Kent House, Rutland Gardens, Kensington, London SW7 1BX. Pre-booking required: <https://bit.ly/jewishgb>

For more information contact: Daniel Morgan-Thomas. www.jsgsb.org.uk

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Tuesday 16th September

London

Live only

Bnai Brith Yad B'Yad Lodge

Talk: 'The Jews and The Shtetls' by Graeme Kirk. 8.15 pm to 10.00 pm. £6 for visiting Bnai Brith members. Pre-booking required. Venue given on booking. Parking available. For more information contact: Maureen Daniels, President, Yad B'Yad Lodge on: yadbyad@bnaibrithuk.org DA DT TS S



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Wednesday 17th September

Around the UK

Virtual only

B'nai B'rith UK

Talk: 'Two Sisters: Betrayal, Love and Resistance in Wartime France' by Rosie Whitehouse, a journalist who writes about Holocaust survivors for BBC Online, the Observer, Tablet, the Jewish Chronicle and Haaretz. She is the author of 'The People on the Beach' and the 'Bradt guide to Europe's Holocaust memorials, museums and sites'. 8-9pm. Free. Pre-booking required. For more information: 07588 087324. events@bnaibrithuk.org www.bnaibrithuk.org

Sunday 21st September

Around the UK

Live only

Garnethill Synagogue

Open Door: Garnethill Synagogue Open Day. Visit our beautiful Category-A listed Synagogue, to find out about aspects of Jewish religious practice and way of life, and how the Jewish community have contributed to Scotland over the last 200 years. The Synagogue was opened in 1879, and was the first purpose-built synagogue in Scotland. In addition to seeing the Prayer Hall, you will learn about the development and contribution of the Jewish community to Scotland over the last 200 years through our displays. Guides will be available to describe some of the features and

history of the building. You will then be able to explore the other elements of the building in your own time. If your visit is in the afternoon, please stay to enjoy the choir, the Glasgow Jewish Singers, who will perform twice in the afternoon, at 2.45pm and 3.30pm. On the lower ground floor you can see displays from the Scottish Jewish Archives Centre, including a permanent exhibition on the Jewish immigrants settling in Scotland, from the late 1700s through to the present-day communities. Our exhibition, 'Scotland a Sanctuary' looks at the refugees who arrived in Scotland in the 1930s and 1940s, and how people from all backgrounds helped those in peril. You can also view our digital resources covering this time period. We have a shop on site, with a selection of books relating to Jews in Scotland and Jewish history, plus other related items. Booking in advance is essential. Grade I Listed. 12-4pm. 129 Hill Street, Glasgow, G3 6UB. Street parking only available. 0141 332 4151 info@sjhc.org.uk. www.sjhc.org.uk

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Ramsgate Montefiore Synagogue

Open Door: 10am to 3pm. Free entry but donations welcome. Courtesy of the Montefiore Endowment. Honeysuckle Road, Ramsgate CT11 8AA. The site



is not accessible for wheelchairs. For more information: <https://www.montefioreendowment.org.uk/sirmoses/ramsgate/> TS

Tuesday, 30 September

Around the UK

Live only

The John Rylands Research Institute and Library

Encounter Jewish Collections at The Rylands Join us at the John Rylands Library to find out more about the Jewish collections held in this magnificent Gothic library in the centre of Manchester. The library holds over 400 Hebrew manuscripts, dating from the 14th century to the early 20th century. Introduced by curator Zsófi Buda, curator of Global Manuscripts, this is a unique opportunity to see some of the library's most interesting and decorative Hebrew texts. Find out more about the collections or how visit the library: www.library.manchester.ac.uk/rylands/ This event is sold out. Grade I. 2-4pm. Free 150 Deansgate, Manchester, M3 3EH. There is no parking at the library but there is public transport nearby. DA DT L TS

Sunday 5th October

London

Live only

B'nai B'rith First Unity Lodge

Talk: 'Titus Flavius Josephus' by Jonathan Bergwerk. 3.00pm. Donation of £5 for

non-B'nai B'rith members. Pre-booking required. Venue given on booking. For more information contact: Jo Bieber on: firstunity@bnaibrithuk.org or call: 020 8445 8946.

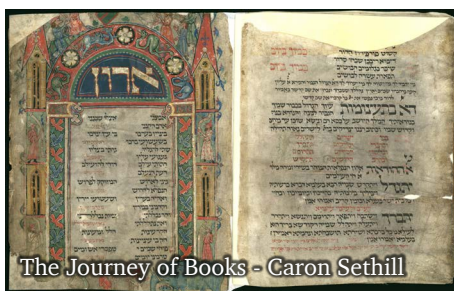
Wednesday 22nd October

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B'nai B'rith UK

Talk: 'The Journeys of Books' by Caron Sethill. To the Jewish people, books are



and have always been rightful members of the community and therefore participants in all the journeys and tribulations the community underwent. In some cases, the communities venerated them as holy artifacts, possessed of near-magical beneficial properties. In this talk, we will explore some of the paths the outstanding volumes in the National Library of Israel's collections have taken through history. 5pm-6pm. Free. Pre-booking required. Please contact: 07588 087324 or email: events@bnaibrithuk.org www.bnaibrithuk.org



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Sunday 9th November

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Kehillat Kernow Jewish Community

Talk: 'Celebrate the Legacy of Jewish Authors'. Step into a world where the voices of Jewish authors echo through time. A group from the Kehillat Kernow Jewish Community will each share a book that captivates them, delving into its narrative and unique perspective. 2.00pm-4.30pm. Free (but we are accepting donations for a Cornish cream tea.) Threemilestone Community Centre Truro, TR3 6DP. There is parking on street nearby. **TS**

Wednesday 12th November

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B'nai B'rith UK

Talk: 'Jews are The People of the Book: How do we encourage the Traditions of The Book in the 21st Century?' by Rabbi Miriam Berger. Does being people of the book root us in something stable and unchanging or are we responsible to write a new chapter in every generation? Explore how we create an unchanging Judaism to pass from generation to generation, whilst also ensuring Judaism is relevant in our lives and something accessible for the next generations. Let's explore where we find our own red lines between the unchanging constant and our evolving

Judaism. 8pm-9pm. Free. Pre-booking required. Please contact: 07588 087324 or call: events@bnaibrithuk.org www.bnaibrithuk.org

Thursday 13th November

London

Virtual and Live

Ben Uri Gallery and Museum

Exhibition and talk: To mark Ben Uri's 110th anniversary. Talk about Ben Uri Gallery's past, present and future and a tour of the Katerina Wilczynski exhibition, given by David Glasser at Ben Uri Gallery and Museum. 6.30pm to 8pm. Free but donations accepted. Ben Uri Gallery and Museum, 108a Boundary Road, NW8 0RH. Parking is free from 6.30pm on both sides of the road. Pre-booking required: admin@benuri.org www.benuri.org **TS**

Thursday 20th November

London

Live only

Go London Tours

Walk: 'Radicals to Rinkoff's: Whitechapel'. This ever popular tour with Rachel Kolsky and Esther Rinkoff explores Jewish Whitechapel including synagogues, bakers and Boris the photographer, but also the radical history of the East End's revolutionaries and activists, including the Siege of Sidney Street, Rachel's favourite anarchist couple, Rudolph Rocker and Millie Witcop and



the 20th century rent strikes. Esther will weave into the walk the sites and story behind the only surviving Jewish family-owned baker in Whitechapel, Rinkoff's, founded in 1911. Their story includes not only bread but fame as an art installation and film location. The tour ends at the bakery, so ensure you have time for refreshments!. Tour starts at 10.30am. £20 per person and everyone attending will be given 10% discount on any purchases made at the bakery (eat in or takeaway) at the end of the tour. Pre-booking required. Meeting point given on booking. For more information contact: Rachel Kolsky on: 0208 883 4169 or: info@golondontours.com <http://www.golondontours.com/>



Jewish Whitechapel/Rinkoff Bakery

Wednesday 26th November

Around the UK

Virtual only

B'nai B'rith UK

Talk: 'How did we become the People of the Book? Tracing the story of a profound evolution'. Dr. Rabbi Jeremy Rosen is an Orthodox rabbi, author and lecturer. He is best known for advocating an approach to Jewish life that is open to the benefits of modernity and tolerant of individual variations while remaining committed to halacha. He writes for the Jewish Telegraph and the London Jewish News, plus he has a weekly blog. He currently lives in America, where he serves as rabbi of a small community in New York. 8pm-9pm. Free. Pre-booking required. Please contact: 07588 087324 or email: events@bnaibrithuk.org www.bnaibrithuk.org

Tuesday 2nd December

Around the UK

Virtual only

B'nai B'rith UK

Talk: 'Voices from the Heart: A Year of War'. Jayne Wynick will be in conversation with Dr Jeremy Havardi. The world changed on October 7th 2023 for every Jewish person, both in Israel and around the world. Jayne gives one Jewish woman's perspective of her life from

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the Diaspora since that fateful day: her fears and her emotions as the world reacted to the largest massacre of Jews since the Holocaust. Raw and emotional, ranging from hope, worry, fear, despair, anger,

resilience and resignation, this account provides a unique daily view of a year of war. 8pm-9pm. Free. Pre-booking required. Please contact: 07588 087324 or email: events@bnaibrithuk.org www.bnaibrithuk.org

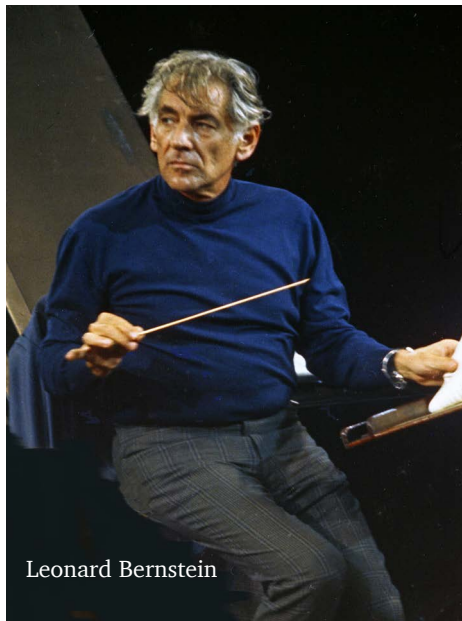
Wednesday 10th December

Around the UK

Virtual only

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Talk: 'Leonard Bernstein: The Jewish Works' by Malcolm Singer. Leonard Bernstein is best known as an inspirational conductor, a passionate educator and as the composer of West Side Story. However, he wrote a great deal of other music and Jewish culture influenced him enormously. In this talk, Malcolm Singer will examine some of Bernstein's 'Jewish' works and explore how, as the American musicologist Jack Gottlieb puts it, 'Bernstein's own and twentieth century society's crisis of faith, is explored with love and humanity' in his output. 8pm-9pm.



Leonard Bernstein

Free. Please contact: 07588 087324 or email: events@bnaibrithuk.org www.bnaibrithuk.org

Sunday 14th December

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New Manchester Walks

Walk. "The Old Jewish Ghetto of Manchester" Ed Glinert, Britain's most prolific tour guide, leads this walk around what was the centre of Jewish Manchester, from Victoria Station to the Manchester Jewish Museum. 12 noon - 2pm. Manchester Victoria Station wallmap M3 1WY. Ed Glinert 07769 29 8068. info@newmanchesterwalks.com www.newmanchesterwalks.com



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Launched in 1996 by the B'nai B'rith Lodge in Strasbourg, the Open Days became pan-European in 2000 and are now under the aegis of the European Association for the Preservation and Promotion of Jewish Culture and Heritage (AEPJ), with the participation of 31 countries.

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