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2018/5778

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Reading the Haftarah

If you would like to read Haftarah to mark a special event or just to make your contribution to the service, please contact Brian Robinson, who will be delighted to help with any preparation or revision.

Sponsoring an Event



If you are celebrating a **S i m c h a** commemorating a family Yahrzeit, or just feeling generous, please consider sponsoring a Shabbat morning Kiddush, Seudah or Sunday morning breakfast. Contact the Synagogue office.

AJR—Meets the 1st Tuesday in every month at 2.00 pm. Contact Leslie Sommer: 020 8993 7574.

Israeli Dancing!

Tuesday evenings, 8.00 pm at Ealing United Synagogue, Grange Road. Sunday mornings, 10.30 am at Ealing Liberal Synagogue, Lynton Avenue. All welcome. Nominal charge of £1.00.



In the event of a bereavement, in the first instance please contact the Burial Office : 020 8950 7767. Rabbi Hershi Vogel: 07970 829758 Brian Robinson: 020 8567 6558

**Ealing Synagogue
Newsletter
שבת שלום**

**Friday 30 March 2018
Shabbat 15 Nissan 5778**

חג כשר ושמח



**FRIDAY 30 AND SATURDAY 31 MARCH
SEDER NIGHTS**

Rabbi Hershi and Zelda Vogel invite members of the community for Seder. Please contact the Rabbi directly if you would like to attend.

**THURSDAY 19 APRIL—YOM HA'ATZMAUT
ELIZABETH FRIEDLANDER EXHIBITION
DITCHLING MUSEUM OF ART**

Join us for a day out to the picturesque village of Ditchling in East Sussex. We will be visiting the Ditchling Museum of Art to see the Elizabeth Friedlander Exhibition and, if you're up for walking and browsing, a tour of the village. Ditchling is also the home of Vera Lynn! Please let Marianne Temple know as soon as possible if you would like to come. Details are on page 5 of the newsletter.

**SUNDAY 13 MAY
JEWISH SCHOOL OF PARIS
JULIE WEINER**

Join us for an afternoon of culture and tea when Julia Weiner will be speaking about the artists Modigliani, Soutine and Chagall. Details attached.



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Pesach 5778/2018 : Times of Services

Friday 30 March—Erev Pesach and First Night Seder

Fast of the Firstborn

Shacharit followed by Siyyum	8.00 am
Latest time for eating Chametz	10.57 am
Latest time for burning Chametz	12.00 noon
Shabbat and Yom Tov begin	7.16 pm

Shabbat 31 March—Ist Day Yom Tov

Shacharit	9.30 am
Haftorah : Ben Kosky	
Second Night Seder to begin after	8.20 pm

Sunday 1 April —2nd Day Yom Tov

Shacharit	9.30 am
Haftorah : Jo Glass	
Yom Tov ends	8.22 pm

Thursday 5 April—Erev Yom Tov

Eruv Tavshillin	
Mincha followed by Maariv	7.00 pm
Yom Tov begins	7.26 pm

Friday 6 April —7th Day Pesach

Shacharit	9.30 am
Haftorah : Ian Westbrook	
Mincha followed by Maariv/Kabbalat Shabbat	7.15 pm
Shabbat begins	7.28 pm

Shabbat 7 April—8th Day Pesach

Shacharit (Yizkor)	9.30 am
Haftorah : Stephen Hirst	
Shabbat and Yom Tov end	8.32 pm

Sunday 8 April

Shacharit	8.40 am
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The Chief Rabbi's Pesach Message 5778

We have a fascinating family custom: at the Pesach Seder our family sings the words of the passage known as 'Chasal Siddur Pesach' to the tune of Chanukah's Maoz Tzur.

This has prompted me to consider what the festivals of Pesach and Chanukah have in common. Of course, both celebrate the miraculous intervention of the Almighty to save our people and both are eight days long in the Diaspora. Interestingly, if necessary, Jewish law requires one to sell one's clothing or receive tzedakah in order to purchase candles for the Chanukah. This is strikingly similar to Pesach, when one is required to sell one's clothing or receive tzedakah in order to buy wine for the required four cups. There was also a fascinating and beautiful custom among the Jews of Izmir in Turkey to use their leftover oil from the previous Chanukah to light a small oil lamp, which they used for Bedikat Chametz, the search for chametz, on the night before Pesach.

Yet, the most substantive, thematic connection between Chanukah and Pesach is the centrality of education as a Jewish value. Both festivals lead us to appreciate the crucial importance of learning in our tradition; a lesson encapsulated by our Sages, who declared, Vetalmod Torah Keneged Kulam – the study of Torah supersedes all (Mishnah Pe'ah 1).

The Hebrew word Chanukah (dedication) comes from the same root as chinuch (education). Indeed, dedication to education is a key feature of the Chanukah narrative. The survival of our spiritual legacy, despite the intentions of the Hellenists, was rooted in our commitment to teaching Torah and its values.

The primary purpose of the Pesach seder is education – "And you shall relate to your child on that day saying, "It is because of this that the Almighty performed these miracles for me when I left Egypt" (Shemot 13:8). But, more than that, the Pesach seder itself sets out the ideal framework for the most impactful education – an audio-visual, experiential encounter which utilises storytelling, questioning and a veritable assault on our senses to ensure that the experience is an unforgettable treat. It is no accident that of all our traditions, the seder night remains the most widely observed, even in families who would otherwise consider themselves entirely secular. Research has shown that more Jews attend a Pesach seder every year than those who fast on Yom Kippur. Pesach teaches us what the best teachers already know – that the most effective education must be experiential.

This lesson is of particular relevance to us today. British Jewry is blessed to have truly outstanding schools which, year on year, are heralded as being amongst the finest in the country. I am always personally moved by the dedication shown by trustees, governors and staff at our wonderful schools and they would be the first to say that there is nothing more impactful or foundational to a Jewish child's identity, than a powerful Jewish experience.

Whatever the setting; formal or informal, at school or at home, may this Pesach present an opportunity for us to refocus on a truism of Jewish life – the greatest key to a successful Jewish future is quality Jewish education.

Valerie and I wish you a chag kasher ve sameach.



Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis
March 2018 • Nisan 5778





PASSOVER MESSAGE FROM US PRESIDENT, MICHAEL GOLDSTEIN



Pesach commemorates our Exodus from Egypt. God is the one who took us out, but he appointed Moses to be our leader. Curiously, Moses was not one of the leaders of the Jewish people until that point. He wasn't an orator and we have no evidence of him filling a position of leadership within the community. So why was he chosen to lead the Jewish people?

Leadership is not about getting others to do what you want. A leader is one who takes responsibility.

'Moses ... went out to his brethren and observed their burdens and he saw an Egyptian man striking a Hebrew, of his brethren. He turned this way and that and saw there was no man, so he struck the Egyptian' (Exodus 2: 11-12).

In saying that 'there was no man', the Torah is teaching us that Moses understood that no one else was going to stop the Egyptian and do justice. As Hillel said, 'In a place where there is no man, strive to be a man' (Ethics of the Fathers 2:6). He understood what he needed to do, he recognised the responsibility and he did it.

Pesach is the festival in which we celebrate freedom. That freedom requires a purpose. At our Seder table we begin with an invitation to others to partake in the meal as a reminder that true freedom requires responsibility, namely the responsibility to give. The greatest expression of one's true freedom is the ability to give and assist others. The Seder begins with an invitation to those less fortunate, an important reminder of what true freedom entails.

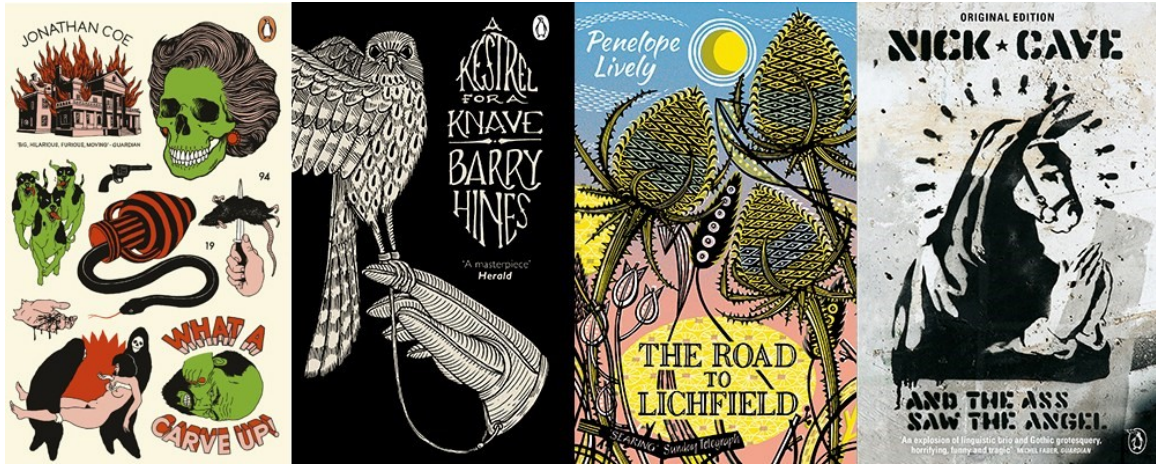
So, this year, as you sit with family and friends. Please consider ways in which you can give to our wonderful community. Whether it be volunteering to schools, shuls or social care facilities. Putting yourself forward to lead our schools and shuls or representing your community on the Board of Deputies.

My own life is enriched by the volunteering that I am involved with as I see the fruits of our labour across our numerous and varied communities. Seeing the efforts that so many people put in to ensure the continuation of our wonderful tradition is a source of personal joy. I encourage as many of you as is possible to join our band of leaders and volunteers.

May we all be blessed with a happy and kosher Pesach.

YOM HA'ATZMAUT THURSDAY 19 APRIL

VISIT TO THE DITCHLING MUSEUM OF ART



ELIZABETH FRIEDLANDER EXHIBITION

Elizabeth Friedlander fled Nazi Germany in 1936, and then a few years later Italy as the net tightening on Jews made it impossible for her to work. She took three treasures with her: two portfolios of her work and an early 18th-century Klotz violin that had belonged to her mother. The items – which stayed with her through her years working in England, and travelled again to her final home in Ireland – will be on display for the first time at the exhibition.

It will also include some of her wartime work – designs for food and clothing stamps – but she also worked forging Nazi documents and stamps for the Political Intelligence Unit. She designed Christmas cards for her colleagues in the unit, but only those in the know could have realised in 1942 that “The Season’s Greetings from Room 609A” came from within a secretive government department based at Bush House in London. She was EF; EH was the author Ellic Howe, an expert in psychological warfare and black propaganda.

A coach will pick up from Ealing Synagogue at 9.45am. A fee of £5.00 per person is payable to enter the museum, and £4.00 per person for a tour of the exhibition. An optional extra is a walking tour of the village, also £4.00 per person.

Maximum 20 people. The coach will be £20.00 per person. Payment for the coach and museum has to be made in advance.

Please RSVP to Marianne Temple by **Monday 9 April at the latest**.
Email: esnewsletter@btinternet.com; tel: 020 8933 5645.



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15 APRIL 7:30 PM

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Funny Women



*"Creeger is never anything
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Views From The Gods

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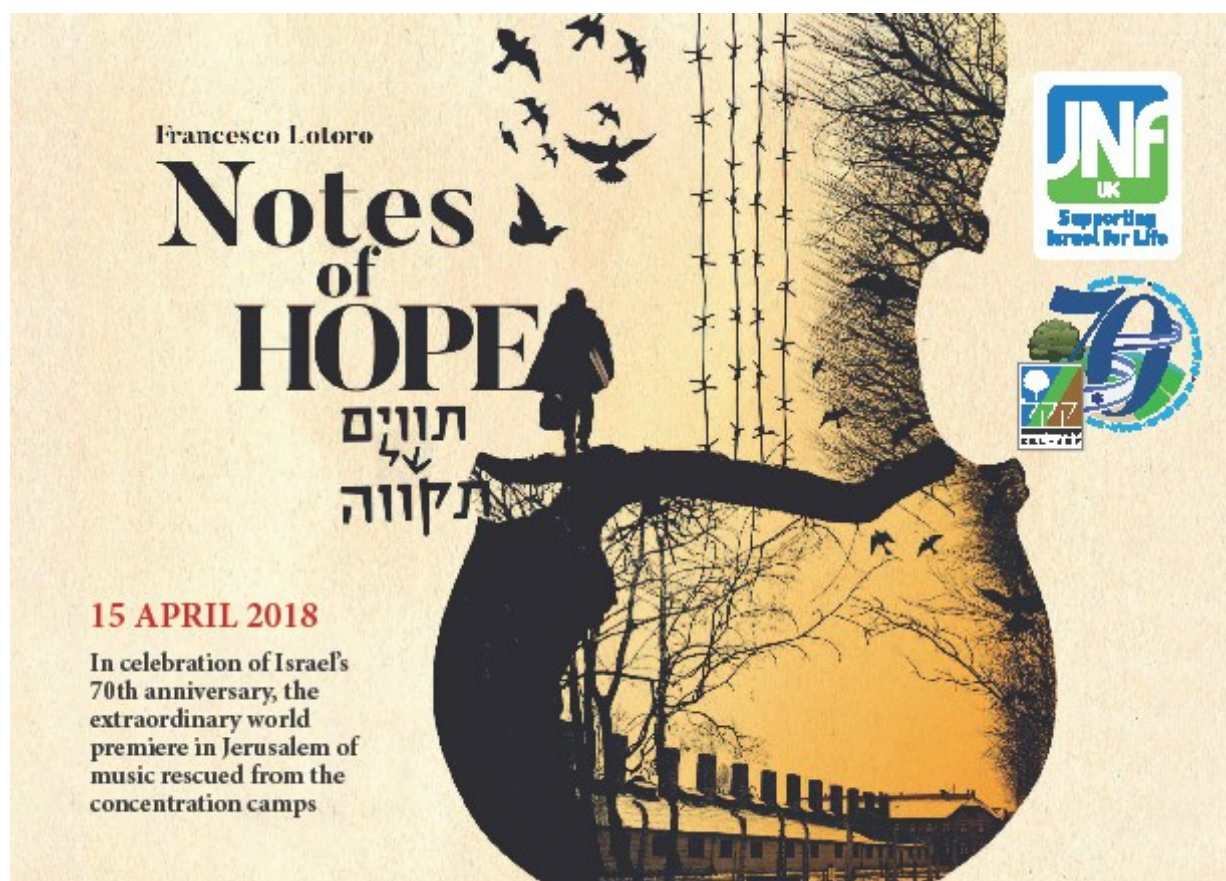


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NOTES OF HOPE

The extraordinary world premiere in Jerusalem of music rescued from the concentration camps

Out of the horrors, a joyful musical testament to hope.

Amidst the horrors of the concentration camps of the Holocaust, musicians kept playing and secretly composing. We know from the people and documents that survived, that they composed in the hope that their music would some day be played again.

For more than three decades, maestro Francesco Lotoro scoured the world looking for the hidden manuscripts and memories of the survivors, piecing together this precious musical testimony. The majority of the music is surprisingly joyful, despite the desperate circumstances in which it was composed and the likelihood that it would never be discovered.

On 15 April 2018, a unique concert hosted by JNF UK and KKL will be taking place in the capital of the Jewish nation, where this music will be played to a public audience for the first time.

In the presence of Mr Benjamin Netanyahu, Prime Minister of the State of Israel, Francesco Lotoro will lead musicians from The Ashdod Symphony Orchestra, alongside a new generation of musicians, including students from music schools in the Negev supported by JNF UK and KKL.

We invite you to witness this extraordinary story of defiance: a tribute to the memory of the murdered 6 million, and a joyous celebration of their hope and belief in the Jewish future.

15 April 2018

18:30 - VIP Reception (by invitation only)

20:00 - Concert

International Convention Centre, Jerusalem

Please ensure you allow plenty of time for security checks

To book or for more information:

email concert@jnf.co.uk or call +44 20 8732 6100



EALING SYNAGOGUE PRESENTS

JULIA WEINER



JEWISH SCHOOL OF PARIS: MODIGLIANI, SOUTINE, CHAGALL

SUNDAY 13 MAY 2018 : 4.00PM

Julia Weiner is a Senior Lecturer in Art History at Regent's University London. She studied at St Edmund Hall, Oxford and then the Courtauld Institute of Art. She has been art critic of the Jewish Chronicle for 25 years and also writes regularly for other Jewish periodicals. She has worked for a number of museums and art galleries including Ben Uri, the British Museum, the National Trust and the V&A. She has curated two exhibitions at the Jewish Museum including Designs on Britain which runs until 15th April 2018.

Talk and Tea : £10 per person

Cheques payable to "United Synagogue".

Reservations and payment must be made in advance.



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EALING SYNAGOGUE PRESENTS
THE JOE ATKINS BRASS QUINTET
A CONCERT OF JEWISH MUSIC
SUNDAY 3 JUNE 2018 : 7.00PM



**Music by Kurt Weill, Leonard Bernstein, George Gershwin, Jerry Bock,
Rodgers and Hammerstein, Stephen Sondheim, plus Hebrew melodies and Yiddish song.
Selections from Threepenny Opera, West Side Story, An American in Paris, Porgy and Bess,
Fiddler on the Roof, A Little Night Music and more.**

£15 per head including refreshments in the interval.

Cheques to be made payable to "United Synagogue" and sent to Ealing Synagogue.

To pay by credit card, call the Synagogue Office - 020 8579 4894

(Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.00am - 2.00pm)

To book online: <https://myus.theus.org.uk/events/57675/the-joe-atkins-brass-quintet/>

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