

Registration form:

Advance Registration \$42.00

Registration limited to the first 300. Includes continental breakfast and pareve lunch.

(Please Print)

Name _____

Address _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

Name & location of congregation
(if affiliated)

Indicate your first and second workshop preferences for each session:

First Session 10:30 -11:20

First Choice 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Second Choice 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Second Session 11:30 - 12:20

First Choice 1 2 3 4 5

Second Choice 1 2 3 4 5

Third Session 1:30 - 2:20

First Choice 1 2 3 4

Second Choice 1 2 3 4

RSVP by May 2, 2011

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Jewish Women's Study Day

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Jewish Women's Study Day



A Groundbreaking Interdenominational Conference

Hosted by the
Jewish Women's Study Day
Steering Committee
and your South Palm Beach
County Sisterhoods

Thursday, May 12, 2011

9:45 am to 3:00 pm

at

B'nai Torah Congregation

6261 SW 18th Street, Boca Raton

(between Military Tr. and Powerline Rd.)

Inquiries:

jewishwomenstudyday@gmail.com

Program Schedule

9:45 Registration & Continental Breakfast
10:15 Welcome
10:30 First Session workshops
11:30 Second Session workshops
12:30 Lunch
1:30 Third Session
2:30 Sing-along with Cantor Stephanie Shore & Closing

Steering Committee

Co-Chairs

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Rabbi Amy Rader
Cantor Stephanie Shore
Stephanie Wasserman
Helene Yentis



Workshops

Session 1

(1) Portion of the Week from a Woman's Perspective

*Presented by Rabbi Marci Bloch,
Congregation B'nai Israel*

(2) Ruth - The Mother of Royalty *Presented by Ms. Ora Lee Kanner*

An analysis of the unique qualities that have earned Ruth title of “The Mother of Royalty,” exploring the lineage of the perfect matriarch of the Davidic dynasty.

(3) Abuse in the Bible and Today *Presented by Rabbi Jessica Brockman, Temple Beth El*

A terse word, a crying woman, the name of a child, a stint as a prostitute – these clues serve as a window to examine the kind or unkind treatment of our biblical characters. We will look at Biblical stories that address these issues and reflect on their power in situations of abuse in today's world.

(4) Women as Channels for Shechina *Presented by Sophie Amichai*

While the Shechina is an energy beyond space and time which exists no matter what, it is the responsibility of women to connect to it in order to realize G-d's plan and to participate in Tikkun Olam. Discover our feminine side, its importance and its power, through Torah, Kabbalah, Hebrew letters, Hebrew grammar and Gematria (numerology).

(5) Storah Telling - Return of the Wise Women

Presented by Sheila Firestone

Explore biblical references to Serakh Bat Asher, Jacob's granddaughter, singer, harpist and archetype of the wise woman, in order to translate the underlying meanings of her story. Become the characters as we create our own versions of the Serakh midrash with a fusion of story telling, Torah, contemporary performance, art, and music.

(6) Mikveh - The Secret Victoria Doesn't Know

*Presented by Rebbetzin Yocheved Goldberg,
Boca Raton Synagogue*

While so much of the secular world struggles with love, fidelity, and successful relationships, Judaism and the Torah have provided the timeless teaching to empower us to find the greatest fulfillment through marriage. We will be focusing on how to improve the love, affection, and intimacy in our marriages and enhance the Shalom in our homes.

(7) Creating Art Under the Wings of Shechina

Presented by Jackie Olenick

This workshop will continue through Session 2
Judaic artist, Jackie Olenick, will guide you in a mixed-media, torn paper collage workshop. A beautiful array of special collage paper and all art supplies will be available to make a Judaic, spiritual art piece for your home. All levels of skill are welcome. (\$5.00 fee for art supplies paid to artist. Class limit 18.)

Session 2

(1) Portion of the Week from a Woman's Perspective

*Presented by Rabbi Amy Rader,
Neshamah Institute*

(2) Finding Your Voice in Torah *Presented by Amy Grossblatt Pessah*

Join us for an exciting and interactive workshop on reading the Torah. Using silence, contemplation and the PaRDes (p'shat, remez, drash, and sod) levels of interpretation, we will experience the Torah on a whole new level. Together, we will delve into a piece of text that will take on new meaning. No prior knowledge is required.

(3) Issues of Jewish Women Today *Presented by Rabbi Pamela Mandel, Temple Beth El*

If you thought life was hard for the matriarchs, consider the challenges of Jewish women now. What is expected of us in terms of love, marriage, and family? How about a career and participating in the Jewish community? Join us as we take a deeper look at the complicated and wonderful lives of Jewish women today.

(4) Images of Lesser Known Biblical Women

*Presented by Helene Yentis,
Director, Palm Beach Center for Jewish Art*
Our sages tell us that there are 70 ways to study Torah and art is one of them. Join this interactive Jewish Art History as we re-examine our roots - relating these inspired images of many lesser known Biblical Women to the Torah text and learn why they remain archetypes for each of us.

(5) The Truth About Jewish College Students

*Presented By Brandey Edelson, Assistant
Director, Hillel of Broward and Palm Beach*
What are the real issues affecting college students? How do young adults find the strength to stand up for what they believe in and become part of the solution? Join us as we answer these questions and discuss the important journey of Jewish college students.

Session 3

(1) How to Give a D'var Torah *Presented by Robin Eisenberg, Director of Jewish Learning and Living , Temple Beth El*

Are you ever asked to give “some words of Torah” at a meeting? Do you wonder how the Rabbis come up with unique messages from our tradition every week? Discover new tools to help you break the Torah portion into meaningful messages.

(2) Melodic Midrash *Presented by Cantor Stephanie Shore, Congregation B'nai Israel*

An interactive discussion based on the weekly Torah portion. Cantor Shore will extract spiritual teachings from the text and guide the group discussion. She will aid participants in cultivating their ideas into an original song. Participants will glean spiritual teachings from our Torah and have the opportunity to be creative during the process. This workshop will be exciting, engaging and enjoyable and of course...melodic!

(3) The Sister-Wife *Presented by Amy Horowitz*

Explore the relationships between three famous pairs of co-wives, Sarah and Hagar, Rachel and Leah, and Chana and Penina, including a discussion of their rivalry as well as the “friendship” that can be found by reading between the lines.

(4) Song of Songs *Presented by Shula Fleischer, Prof. of Bible and Religious Studies*

Song of Songs gives us perfect people as seen through the eyes of their lovers. The metaphors are heavily influenced by nature. Come study this courtship phase of romance, the excitement of young love, thinking dominated by desire. Then ask yourself, “Why is it part of our Bible?”