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In conjunction with the European Days of Jewish Culture and Heritage

1ST SEPTEMBER TO 31ST DECEMBER 2022

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Whether participating online or in person, **Everyone is Welcome** to join in with B'nai B'rith UK's Jewish Heritage Days 2022

Our theme for 2022 - 'Renewal', After the upheaval of the last two years faced by all, our programme explores how Jewish communities have found the necessity to embrace 'Renewal' across their history and will be featured in talks, virtual guided walks and online exhibitions.

















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 have, in the past, included 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.

Over the past two years, due to the effects of the Covid pandemic, many activities had to take place online. Although many organisations are now opening up to the public again with Covid restrictions having been lifted, BBUK's hugely successful programme of online talks, established at the beginning of lockdown in March 2020, carries on throughout 2022 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 and Commonwealth Office, the Department for International Development and foreign embassies on behalf of Jewish people internationally and to support Israel. More widely, we promote the human rights of minority groups.

We sponsor a food aid programme for needy families and after school activities for children in the southern Israeli development town of Qiryat Gat. We also support a humanitarian medical programme for elderly Jews and righteous gentiles in Kiev, Ukraine and a shoe programme for a children's orphanage in Odessa. With the recent horrific war taking place in Ukraine, we launched an urgent appeal for donations for the people of Ukraine, which has been supported around the UK and globally. To donate, see box on next page.

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 the British Armed Forces Jewish Community Annual Faith Training Weekend.

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European Days of Jewish Culture and Heritage (EDJCH) 2022: United Kingdom

2022 started off with many organisations still unsure whether they would be able to open up to the public again and whether Covid restrictions would continue to affect them as it has over the past two years.

However, we are delighted to announce that, now we have emerged from all Covid restrictions at last, we are able to go ahead fully with our European Days of Jewish Culture and Heritage (EDJCH) and have once again created an online booklet, which will include both in-person and virtual events, talks, open days, exhibitions and guided walks.

Many sites have taken the decision to open to the public in person, while others are still running online events. But we are thrilled to have over 30 organisations, synagogues and walking guides taking part in our heritage activities this year, with some holding more than one event. Most are virtual events, but there are some venues that are now opening up, to welcome back visitors with open arms.

Initiated by the B'nai B'rith Lodge in Strasbourg, the EDJCH rapidly spread across Europe and celebrated its 20th anniversary in 2019. It is organised by a partnership between B'nai B'rith Europe, the European Council of Jewish Communities and the Spanish Jewry Network (known as the European Association for the Preservation and Promotion of Jewish Culture and Heritage – AEPJ) 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 2022, the European Days of Jewish Culture and Heritage will once again run from 1st September to 31st December inclusive. The National Heritage Open Days will run from 9th to 18th September this year, which ties in nicely with our own dates.

Donate to our Ukraine Appeal

If you want to donate, you can do so by bank transfer using these details.

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EVENT: In Conversation With: Lord Dubs and Professor Gilbert

B'nai B'rith UK is delighted to announce its own 'In conversation' zoom event taking place on Sunday 30th October at 8pm.

The event entitled, 'What lessons can we learn from refugees of the Holocaust and how they have rebuilt their lives, to help us better understand the situation refugees from Ukraine currently face?' will feature the renowned advocate for human rights, Lord Alfred Dubs, being interviewed by Professor Shirli Gilbert, Professor of Modern Jewish History at University College London.

Lord Dubs

Born in December 1932 in Prague, Lord (Alf) Dubs was one of the Czech children rescued from the Nazis in the Kindertransport. Since then, he has been a keen campaigner on the plight of refugees, leading him to sponsor an amendment to the government's immigration bill in the Lords in 2016, which would have forced the government to accept 3,000 unaccompanied child refugees stranded in Europe.

Lord Dubs studied at the London School of Economics before pursuing a long career in public service. He has been a local councillor, an MP, Chair of the Fabian Society, Chair of Liberty, a trustee of Action Aid, Director of the Refugee Council and a trustee of the Immigration Advisory Service.

Lord Dubs was appointed a Labour working peer in 1994, and is an active and independent-minded member of the House of Lords, participating in well over the average number of debates, and occasionally voting against the party on issues such as assisted suicide and reform of the House of Lords. He is a long-time member of the All-Party Parliamentary Humanist Group.

He is currently a trustee of the Open University, and on the Advisory Board of The John Smith Memorial Trust, formed in 1996 to promote the ideals of democracy, social justice and good governance.

Professor Shirli Gilbert

Shirli Gilbert is a specialist in modern Jewish history, with particular interest in the Holocaust and its legacies, modern Jewish identity, and Jews in South Africa. She holds a D. Phil in Modern History from the University of Oxford and was a Postdoctoral Fellow in the Society of Fellows at the University of Michigan. Before coming to UCL, she was Karten Professor of Modern History and Director of the Parkes Institute for Jewish/ non-Jewish Relations at the University of Southampton.



To join this not-to-be-missed event, you will need to register beforehand by emailing: events@bnaibrithuk.org giving your full name, email address and how you heard about the talk.

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Permanent Exhibition

Museum of Liverpool

Permanent museum trail featuring objects connected to Liverpool's Jewish community including a display on Galkoff's kosher butcher's shop.

Live Only. On site parking is for disabled visitors only. Pier Head, Liverpool, L3 1DG. Contact: museumofliverpool@liverpoolmuseums.org.uk www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk/museum-of-liverpool

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On request

Worth Park History Society

Walk. Formal gardens and terraces of Worth Park House restored to Victorian splendour. Lake, meadow and small woodland to explore. Pulhamite fern rockery and Islet feature in the lake. Coffee and cake available from Kelly's horsebox.Former stable building to Worth Park House built in 1882. Visitor centre with history exhibition opening mid summer 2022. Grade II Listing. FREE. Worth Park Gardens, Milton Mount Avenue, Pound Hill, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 3DH. Contact: worthparkhistory@btinternet.com

www.facebook.com/WPHistorySociety/

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Thursday 1st September to Monday 31st October

London

The Wiener Holocaust Library

Exhibition. Reading Room exhibition: 'Excavation-Confrontation-Repair?'. Family Histories of the Holocaust'. Live Only. This Reading Room exhibition draws upon historical documents in the archives of The Wiener Holocaust Library to focus on the theme of the renewal of Jewish communities after the Holocaust. The exhibition will feature materials from post-war Displaced Persons camps relating to the lives and experiences of Holocaust survivors, and uncover stories of the births, weddings, family reunions and migrations to new lives that happened in these most difficult of circumstances. Grade II Listing. Monday - Friday, 10am to 5pm. The Wiener Holocaust Library, 29 Russell Square, London, WC1B 5DP

Contact: 020 7636 7247 info@wienerholocaustlibrary.org www.wienerholocaustlibrary.org

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Sunday 4th September

Around the UK

Yorkshire Jewish Heritage Tours - Jacob Unna

Walk. 'In the Footsteps of Jacob Unna - one of the leading lights of Victorian Jewish Bradford'. Live Only. Speaker & Guide: Nigel Grizzard. Jacob Unna was born in Hamburg in 1800. He came to Bradford when the railway arrived in the town and became a founder member of the Chamber of Commerce, a leading businessman, a freemason and laid the foundation stone of the Bradford Synagogue in 1880, a grade II listed building. Our walk will follow Jacob Unna's life as one of the builders of Bradford, we will visit Little Germany, the Historic Merchant Quarter and the Bradford Synagogue on this 1.5 hour walk. Book on Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ in-the-footsteps-of-jacob-unna-a-leader-of-bradfordin-the-19th-century-tickets-338966346467 £10 plus Eventbrite booking fee. 11am - 12.30pm. Please meet



by the statue of W.E.Forster by the entrance of the Broadway Shopping Centre, Bradford, adjacent to Marks and Spencer. Bradford BD1 1JR. Contact: Nigel Grizzard bradfordjewish@gmail.com 07798 855494

Plymouth Synagogue - Gifford Place Audio Trail

Audio Tour. Jewish Cemetery Gifford Place Audio Trail. Live only. Speaker: By Ripple Theatre . The Next Generation, Audio tour around Gifford Place cemetery told by family and friends created by ripple theatre the makers of the Old Jewish cemetery audio trail. Pre booking is advised , however you are welcome to turn up on the day Donations welcome. 1100-1600 last entry 1500. Gifford Place Cemetery Gifford Place Plymouth , PL3 4JA. Contact: Jerry Sibley phccaretaker@yahoo.co.uk 07753267616 plymouthsynagogue.

Monday 5th September

London

Go London Tours

<u>Walk.</u> Radicals to Rinkoffs: Whitechapel. Live only. Speaker: Rachel Kolsky. BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! Radicals to Rinkoff's: Whitechapel *with special guest



including the Siege of Sidney Street, her favourite anarchist couple, Rudolph Rocker and Millie Witcop and the 20th century rent strikes. Joining Rachel is Esther Rinkoff who will weave into the walk the sites and story



behind the only surviving Jewish family-owned baker in Whitechapel, Rinkoff's, founded in 1911. The 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. There is a discount for all attendees. £20.00. 10:30am. Contact: Rachel Kolsky info@golondontours.com 020 8883 4169 www.golondontours.com

Monday 5th September to Sunday 11th September

Around the UK

Hughenden Manor, National Trust

<u>Talk.</u> 'Judaism and Disraeli'. A special talk will be offered to our visitors each day. Live Only. Hughenden Manor was the fascinating home of Benjamin Disraeli,

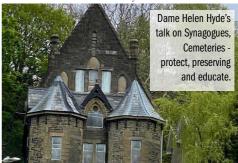


first and only Earl of Beaconsfield. As part of our usual offering of talks about Benjamin Disraeli, we will offer an additional talk each day, which will look at Benjamin's life as a Jew. Grade I Listing. Pre-booking is not required, but normal entry costs will apply. FREE to National Trust members. Usual entry costs. Hughenden Manor, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP14 4LA. Contact: Rob Bandy hughenden@nationaltrust.org.uk 01494 755573 www.nationaltrust.org.uk/hughenden@DATDTP

Wednesday 7th September

Virtual

B'nai B'rith UK - Dame Helen Hyde



<u>Talk.</u> 'Our Jewish Heritage matters: Synagogues, Cemeteries - protect, preserving and educate.' Virtual only. Speaker: Dame Helen Hyde, DBE. Pre-booking required FREE. 8-9pm. Contact: <u>events@bnaibrithuk.org</u> 07588 087324 www.bnaibrithuk.org

Around the UK

Plymouth Synagogue - On The Hoe Audio Trail

Audio Tour. Old Jewish Cemetery on the Hoe Audio Trail by Ripple Theatre. Audio tour around the Hoe cemetery created by ripple theatre the makers of the Old Jewish cemetery audio trail. Pre booking is advised, however you are welcome to turn up on the day. Free. Donations welcome. 10am-4pm, last entry 3pm. Hoe Cemetery, Lambhay Hill (from Hoe Gate St), Plymouth. PL1 2NP. Contact: Jerry Sibley phocaretaker@yahoo.co.uk 07753 267616 plymouthsynagogue.com

Thursday 8th September

London

The Wiener Holocaust Library

v<u>Talk.</u> 'Excavation-Confrontation-Repair? Family Histories of the Holocaust'. Live and Virtual. Speaker: Elise Bath. In this talk, Elise Bath, ITS Archive Team Manager at The Wiener Holocaust Library, will explore some of the documents in the Library's collections that give

an insight into the lives of Holocaust survivors in the immediate post-war period. The talk will show how the ITS Digital Archive can be used to research the experiences of survivors of Nazi persecution as they tried to rebuild their shattered lives. 6.30 to 7.30pm. The Wiener Holocaust Library, 29 Russell Square, London, WC1B 5DP. To book your place contact: info@wienerholocaustlibrary.org 020 7636 7247 www.wienerholocaustlibrary.org DALTDT

B'nai B'rith Yad B'Yad Lodge - Judith Hayman

<u>Talk.</u> 'Against the Odds'. Live Only. Speaker: Judith Hayman from 'Generation to Generation'. Only open to B'nai B'rith members who will need to register beforehand on: heritagetalk@hotmail.com. Visiting B'nai B'rith members: £5. 8.15pm. Pinner - address will be given on registration.

Around the UK

Manchester Jewish Museum



<u>Talk.</u> Friends of Yiddish. Live Only. An evening of poetry, film and conversation in partnership with Manchester Poetry Library and Manchester Metropolitan University Writing School exploring one of Britain's foremost but now largely forgotten Yiddish poets Avram Nachum Stencl (1897 - 1983). The event will be hosted by Dr Rachel Lichenstein, whose paternal grandparents were Polish Jewish émigrés, who like Stencl, settled in East London in the 1930s after escaping Nazi persecution. Her grandparents were personal friends with the revered Yiddish poet, who had an international reputation at that time and regularly attended Stencl's Literarische

Shabbes Nokhmitogs (Sabbath literary afternoon meetings), full of readings, poetry and news. The evening event will include a screening of a short film and radio documentary about Stencl that was commissioned by Manchester Poetry Library, directed by Andy Delaney and researched and produced by Rachel. There will be readings of Stencl's poetry by the poet, editor and translator Stephen Watts, as well as in Yiddish by Vivi Lachs, author of London's Yiddishtown and a talented musician. Rachel will also be in conversation with Miriam Becker, Stenci's great niece from Manchester to discover her experience of living in the city and memories of Stencl. The evening will end with conversation and a O&A to encourage the audience to reflect and share the part Yiddish plays in Manchester and Jewish identity. Grade II Listing. Pre-booking is required £6 concession/£7 full price/free M8 tickets. 7pm - 9pm, Manchester Jewish Museum, 190 Cheetham Hill Road Manchester M8 8LW, United Kingdom, M8 8LW. Contact: Gemma Meek. 0161 511 3620 tickets@manchesteriewishmuseum.com www.manchesterjewishmuseum.com

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Sunday 11th September

Around the UK

Chatham Memorial Synagogue

Open Days. Running until 18th September 2022. Live and Virtual. Visit this unique and exceptional historic Grade II* listed site; experience the finest substantial example of a late 19th Century British Synagogue in the Romanesque style with its exceptionally richly decorated interior and unique attached cemetery, Chatham Memorial Synagogue is considered to be of exceptional significance, and is, quite literally, the only one of its kind in the world! It is exceptionally beautiful inside with its blaze of colour, and distinctive stained glass windows including the renowned Holocaust Memorial Window designed by Hilary Halpern. The finest surviving example of HH Collins' work, the current Synagogue sits on the site of an earlier building. The cemetery predates even this earlier building with graves going back to the mid



1700s. This is the only Synagogue in the UK which has an attached cemetery, making the site even more significant. Learn about the Jewish community in Medway, compare religions, look at "Leper's Walk", or just admire the beauty of this wonderful building- just don't miss this rare opportunity to visit! Pre-booking is required. Donations always welcome! 10.30am, 12.00pm, 1.30pm and 3pm. Chatham Memorial Synagogue, 366, High Street, Rochester, Kent, ME1 1DJ. Contact: Dalia Halpern-Matthews restore@chathamshul.org.uk 07973 261864 www.chathamshul.org.uk

Manchester Jewish Museum

Film screening. Truus' Children. Live only. 'Truus' Children' is the extraordinary story of the largely unknown Dutch resistance heroine Truus Wijsmuller (1896-1978), who managed to rescue more than 10.000 people from the hands of the Nazis in the years immediately before and during the Second World War thanks to her unprecedented perseverance, tact, and courage. Most of them were between 2 and 18 years old. This improbable story,

hidden for almost 80 years, comes to life in great detail in the documentary Truus' Children. Filmmakers Pamela Sturhoofd and Jessica van Tijn spent years researching for this documentary and were able to find more than 20 (!) "Children of Truus" worldwide all between 83 and 97 years old. In the documentary, the group of survivors pays tribute to this special woman who saved their lives. The strength of this woman and her message that everyone can make a difference were the biggest inspiration during the four years the filmmakers spent making the documentary. They see the film as a first step in highlighting the great role of women in the resistance during Second World War. Currently, Pamela and Jessica travel to different places in the world to talk to audiences. often young people and students, about the main themes of the film and to see the present through the eyes of the film's protagonists. Grade II Listing. Pre-booking is required £7 concession/£8 full price. 7pm. 190 Cheetham Hill Road Manchester, M8 8LW. Contact: Gemma Meek tickets@ manchesterjewishmuseum.com 0161 511 3620 www.manchesterjewishmuseum.com DALTDTS

Truus' Children

Montefiore Synagogue and Mausoleum

Open Doors. Live Only. Regency style synagogue built for Sir Moses and Lady Montefiore. FREE but donations welcome. 10am - 3pm. Less walking: Honeysuckle Road, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 8AA. Better parking possibilities: Dumpton Park Drive, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 8AD. Contact: ramsgate@montefioreendowment.org.uk www.montefioreendowment.org.uk

Plymouth Synagogue - Coffee With Vera

Performance/play. 'Coffee with Vera'. Live Only. By Ruth Mitchell. The award winning play Coffee with Vera based around stories from the Plymouth Jewish Ladies Guild and the quest of a girl's search for her Jewish heritage. Pre booking is advised due to limited seating, however you are welcome to turn up on the day £8. 11am. The Vestry Plymouth Synagogue, Catherine Street Plymouth, PL1 2AD. Contact: Jerry Sibley phccaretaker@yahoo.co.uk 07753 267616 phat

Plymouth Synagogue - Hart of Plymouth

Performance/play. 'Hart of Plymouth'. Live Only. By Derek Frood. Performance based around Solomon Hart's reminiscences the first Jewish person accepted into the Royal Academy of Arts and his famous painting of Lady Jane Grey. Pre booking is advised due to limited seating, however you are welcome to turn up on the day £8. 2pm. The Vestry, Plymouth Synagogue Catherine Street, Plymouth, PL1 2AD. Contact: Jerry Sibley phccaretaker@yahoo.co.uk 07753 267616 plymouthsynagogue.com

Plymouth Synagogue - History Walk

<u>Walk.</u> History of Catherine Street and the <u>Synagogue</u>. Live Only. By Jerry Sibley. A history tour of Catherine Street and its Synagogue Pre booking is advised, however you are welcome to turn up on the day donations welcome. 3.30pm. The Plymouth Synagogue Catherine Street Plymouth , PL1 2AD. Contact: Jerry Sibley <u>phccaretaker@yahoo.co.uk</u> 07753 267616 <u>plymouthsynagogue.com</u>

Reading Hebrew Congregation

Open Doors. Live Only. Reading Hebrew Congregation was established in 1886 by 13 families. The synagogue was opened on 31st October 1900 and is a traditional design in a Moorish style. The roof and cupola were restored in 2017. Pre-booking not required. However if a group is planning to attend we would appreciate being informed via email in advance FREE. 2.30-4.30 pm - last entry 4.30pm. The Synagogue, 7 Goldsmid Road Reading, RG1 7YB. Contact: Sue Clarke secretary@rhc.org.uk 0118 957 3954 - please leave a message on the ansaphone (NB this is not cleared daily). www.readingsynagogue.uk

The Gregg Schools Trust

Open Doors. Heritage Day - the house (former home of Lord and Lady Swaythling) will be open to the public. Live Only. The building dates from around 1790 and was extended and re-designed by the architect Leonard Rome Guthrie in an Italian style in 1911. Guthrie also designed the terraced gardens to complement the style of the house, with planting plans produced by the noted plantswoman Miss Gertrude Jekyll. Guthrie returned to Townhill Park House after the First World War to add a music room panelled in polished walnut and a boudoir for Lady Swaythling. Guthrie also designed a new garden at the rear of the house that the new boudoir overlooked and this became known as the 'Boudoir' Garden'. Queen Mary, a close friend of Lady Swaythling, visited Townhill Park House on a number of occasions, regularly enjoying a walk through the gardens. The house was handed over to the Red Cross in 1939 and was used as a convalescent home for British and American soldiers during the Second World War, Grade II Listing. No booking required. Disabled access on the lower ground floor and some areas within the grounds. FREE entry. 2 - 5pm. The Gregg School, Townhill Park House, Cutbush Lane, Southampton, Hampshire, SO18 3RR. Contact: Crispin Ingham smg@thegreggschools.org 02380 472133 www.thegreggschools.org DAT DT P



Yorkshire Jewish Heritage Tours - Phineas Abrahams

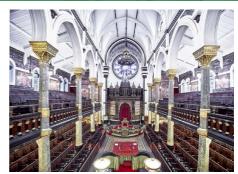
<u>Walk.</u> 'In the Footsteps of Phineas Abrahams - an Early Leeds Jewish Settler 1825-1835' . Live Only. Speaker & Guide: Nigel Grizzard. Phineas Abrahams arrived in Leeds in 1825. For ten years he was a Jeweller in Briggate - our walk will follow his story in Leeds, visiting the early establishments he frequented. We see early 19th Century Leeds and the City Centre's Historic Jewish past. Book on Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/in-the-footsteps-of-phineas-abrahams-a-jeweller-in-leeds-1825-1835-tickets-338989555887 £10 plus Eventbrite booking fee. 11am - 12.30pm. Please meet at Costa Coffee on Merrion Way by the Merrion Centre in the heart of Leeds, LS2 8BT. Contact: Nigel Grizzard bradfordjewish@gmail.com 07798 855494



London

New West End Synagogue

Open Doors. New West End Open Day. Live Only. The New West End Synagogue, located in St. Petersburgh Place, Bayswater, is one of the oldest synagogues in the United Kingdom still in use. It is one of two synagogues which have been awarded Grade I listed building status by Historic England, which has described it as "the architectural high-water mark of Anglo-Jewish architecture". It can accommodate approximately 800 people. Designed by George Audsley of Scotland in collaboration with Nathan S. Joseph, its foundation stone was laid on 7 June 1877 by Leopold de Rothschild in the presence of the Chief Rabbi, Dr.



Nathan Marcus Adler, and the building was formally opened on 30 March 1879. Chaim Weizmann, the first president of the State of Israel, and Herbert Samuel, the British High Commissioner for Palestine during the British Mandate, were both members of the synagogue. Their seats are marked with plaques. The synagogue's first rabbi was Simeon Singer, who translated and edited the Authorised Daily Prayer Book, which is still used in Orthodox synagogues across Great Britain. In August 2007, the New West End Synagogue was declared a national monument Grade I Listing. 10am - 2pm. St Petersburgh Place London, W2 4JT. Contact: www.newwestend.org.uk DAT DTS

Virtual

B'nai B'rith First Unity Lodge - Town Without Jews

<u>Talk.</u> 'Keeping Alive the Jewish Heritage in a Town without Jews'. Virtual only. All that is left of a Czech town's Jewish heritage is a deserted synagogue, an historic ghetto, and two cemeteries. But there is a link to a living congregation and that link is a Torah Scroll. The challenge is how can they keep the town's Jewish heritage alive once the last two Jews have died and with them 600 years of Jewish life in the town is ended How do you keep a Jewish presence in a town without Jews? FREE. 8.00pm. Contact: Jo Beiber jo@biebernet.co.uk

Wednesday 14th September

Around the UK

Cheltenham Synagogue

<u>Talk.</u> 'Cheltenham Synagogue - Hidden Gem'. Virtual only. Speaker: Jenny Silverston. Described as a 'Hidden Gem', the Grade II* listed Cheltenham Synagogue is a fine addition to the Cheltenham landscape. Local architect William Hill Knight included a special dome. Zoom in and hear about its history and the role it plays today in the local community. Please register from August onwards to receive the Zoom link. FREE. 6.00 pm. Contact: Jenny Silverston info@cheltenhamsynagogue. org.uk or jennifersilverston@hotmail.com 01242 242724



London

Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue, Holland Park

Tour of synagogue and talk by Lyn Julius of Harif. Live Only. Speaker: Lyn Julius. Many are familiar with the story of the Exodus, the ship which tried to run the post-WW2 British immigration ban into Palestine. While most migrants were Ashkenazi refugees, Jews from Arab countries also tried to start a new life in Palestine. After 1948, Israel took in any Jew who wanted to come - but Arab countries did not always let them out: Mossad ran clandestine operations well into the 1990s. Lyn Julius will share some hair-raising smugglers tales. The Britishborn daughter of Iraqi - Jewish refugees, Lyn Julius is a journalist, speaker, blogger and founder of Harif, the U.K. association of Jews from the Middle East and North

Africa, Her work has appeared in JNS News, Times of Israel, Jewish Chronicle, Haaretz, Fathom, The Article, The Guardian, etc. Her book 'Uprooted: How 3.000 Years of Jewish Civilisation in the Arab world vanished overnight' was published in 2018 (Vallentine Mitchell). It has been translated into Norwegian, Portuguese and Arabic. The photo is of the C-46 plane used to smuggle 100 Iraqi Jews into Israel in 1947 (Operation Michaelberg). The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue, Holland Park, was built in 1928. Tucked into the corner of St James's Gardens in Holland Park, London W11, its history and origins are extremely interesting as are its unique services and liturgy. It was founded in the early 20th century by a community of Sephardi Jews who had come to England to better themselves economically when they foresaw the decline of the Turkish empire, Holland Park Synagogue has maintained its independence and has. over the years, attracted Sephardi Jews from all over the world who have come to London and found their spiritual home in a special place of worship that is full of warmth and hospitality. Pre-booking mandatory.



FREE. 7.30pm. Venue Information will be provided when people register. Contact: Lorna Perez <u>admin@hollandparksynagogue.org.uk</u> 0207 603 7691 <u>www.hollandparksynagogue.org.uk</u> TS



Saturday 17th September

London

Liberal Jewish Synagogue



<u>Musical Selichot Service.</u> 8pm. Visitors are welcome at other times to view the extraordinary Sanctuary with its Jerusalem stone walls and the Shoah Memorial in the foyer, by Sir Anish Kapoor. Book 020 7286 5181

Sunday 18th September

Around the UK

Edinburgh Jewish Cultural Centre



Scotland's First Minister unveils a plaque at Edinburgh's Usher Concert Hall commemorating the 200th anniversary of the first Jews in Edinburgh. This plaque will be viewed during the historic Jewish walking tour.

<u>Tour.</u> Edinburgh Jewish History and Culture Tour. Live and Virtual. Speaker: Professor Joe Goldblatt. Tour will include the old Jewish Quarter, site of first synagogue, site of historic 19th century cemetery (one of oldest in Scotland), Edinburgh Hebrew Congregation (exterior only) and other sites. Pre-booking required at: joe@ joegoldblatt.scot FREE. 2 - 5pm. Please meet in the lobby of the Balmoral Hotel, 1 Princes Street, Edinburgh, EH2 2EQ. Contact: Professor Joe Goldblatt joe@joegoldblatt.scot 07942 695131 www.jcc.scot DALTDT

Glasgow - Garnethill Hebrew Congregation

<u>Open Doors.</u> Scottish Jewish Heritage Centre - open day. Live Only. Tour of the building by appointment. Grade I Listing. Pre-booking required. 10am - 4pm. 29 Garnet Street, Glasgow, G3 6UB. Contact: Stephen Sheriff info@sjhc.org.uk 0141 332 4151 <a href="https://www.

doorsopendays.org.uk TS



Norwich Hebrew Congregation

Open Doors. Heritage Open Day. Live Only. Speakers: Synagogue members. The synagogue was built in 1969 and the other facilities have recently been refurbished. We have talks about the history of the community and an exhibition. 10am to 4pm. 3 Earlham Road, Norwich, NR2 3RA. Contact: Maureen Leveton 01603 749706 mleveton351@gmail.com

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Plymouth Synagogue - History Walk

<u>Walk.</u> History of Catherine Street and the Synagogue. Live Only. By Jerry Sibley. A history tour of Catherine Street and its Synagogue. Pre booking is advised, however you are welcome to turn up on the day donations welcome. 3.30pm. <u>The Plymouth Synagogue</u> Catherine Street Plymouth, PL1 2AD. Contact: Jerry Sibley <u>phccaretaker@yahoo.co.uk</u> 07753 267616 <u>plymouthsynagogue.com</u> DAT

Plymouth Synagogue - Coffee With Vera

Performance/Play. 'Coffee with Vera'. Live Only. By Ruth Mitchell. The award winning play Coffee with Vera based around stories from the Plymouth Jewish Ladies Guild and the quest of a girl's search for her Jewish heritage. Pre booking is advised due to limited seating, however you are welcome to turn up on the day £8. 11am. The Vestry, Plymouth Synagogue, Catherine Street, Plymouth, PL1 2AD. Contact: Jerry Sibley <a href="mailto:physical-p

Plymouth Synagogue - Hart of Plymouth

Performancer/Play. 'Hart of Plymouth'. Live Only. By Derek Frood. Performance based around Solomon Hart's reminiscences the first Jewish person accepted into the Royal Academy of Arts and his famous painting of Lady Jane Grey. Pre booking is advised due to limited seating, however you are welcome to turn up on the day £8. 2pm. The Vestry, Plymouth Synagogue Catherine Street, Plymouth, PL1 2AD. Contact: Jerry Sibley phymouthsynagogue.com DAT

Salomons Museum

<u>Talk.</u> 'David Salomons: Scientist & Technician'. Live Only. Speaker: Chris Jones (Curator). The Salomons Estate (Broomhill) was the country home of the Salomons family: David, the first Jewish Lord Mayor of London; and David Lionel, pioneer of electricity and motor transport (and much else). Designed by Decimus Burton c.1850 it is set in 32 acres of picturesque countryside. Today it is a venue for events and weddings, but retains a two-room museum dedicated

to the family. Grade II Listing. The museum is open as usual 9am-5pm, but booking is required for the talks. Please contact Salomons Reception, on 01892 515152, from August 1st to 31st. 11:30 am and 3 pm. Talks take place at Salomons Estate, Broomhill Road, Tunbridge Wells. Kent, TN3 0TG. Contact: Chris Jones clissold.iones@btinternet.com

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London

Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain

<u>Workshop.</u> Genealogy History Workshop for Beginners. Live Only. A FREE Family History Workshop for Beginners: JGSGB mentors will give an introduction to genealogy and provide guidance on how to get started tracing your Jewish ancestors. Booking required. FREE event. 2:30 - 5pm. To book a place, please email: programme@jgsgb.org.uk DALTOTS

Tuesday 20th September

Harif-Jews of the Azores

<u>Virtual Talk.</u> 'Jews of the Azores'. Speaker: Jose Almeida de Mello. 7 pm UK. Contact: Lyn Julius <u>info@harif.org</u> <u>www.harif.org</u>

Wednesday 21st September

Virtual

B'nai B'rith UK - Dr Jonathan Lewis

<u>Talk.</u> Jewish Chaplaincy in the British Armed Forces. Virtual only. Speaker: Dr Jonathan Lewis. Pre-booking required FREE. 8-9pm. Contact: <u>events@bnaibrithuk.org</u> 07588 087324 www.bnaibrithuk.org





Sunday 2nd October

Around the UK

Winchester City Guides

Walk. Medieval Jewish Tours. Live Only. The tour is a walking tour around parts of Winchester which relates to local Jewish history - a sad story of religious persecution and expulsion. The statue of Licoricia has recently been unveiled and can be seen in Winchester. Pre-book via website or at Visitor Information Centre, Winchester. £10 for adults and £4 for children under 16. 1.30pm - the tour will last for 90 minutes. Meet at the Visitor Information Centre, The Guildhall, The Broadway, Winchester, S023 9GH. Contact: Karen Dagwell, Winchester City Guides watgachair@gmail.com 01962 623575 https://winchestertouristguides.com

Saturday 15th October

London

West London Synagogue

Talk. 'Renewing our connections through our sacred texts'. Live only. Grade II Listing. Free.. 1pm-3pm. 34 Upper Berkeley Street, W1H 5QE. Pre-booking required. Contact: Nic Schlagman nic.schlagman@wls.org.uk 020 7535 0250 www.wls.org.uk DALTDTS

Wednesday 19th October

Virtual

B'nai B'rith UK - Silvia Nacamulli

<u>Talk.</u> Silvia Nacamulli, master chef of traditional Italian Jewish home cuisine, in conversation with cultural historian Dr Vera Grodzinski. Virtual only. Presenting Silvia Nacamulli's Jewish Flavours of Italy: a family cookbook, a fascinating culinary journey through Italy and a deep dive into a family's culinary heritage. With delicious mix of recipes and family anecdotes, Silvia will share insight into centuries' old cooking traditions

while cultural historian Dr Vera Grodzinski will guide us through the unique history of Italian Jewry, neither Ashkenazi nor Sephardi, as it is often presumed. Please join them for a 'delicious' evening, followed by Q & A. Pre-booking required FREE. 8pm-9pm. Contact: events@bnaibrithuk.org 07588 087324 www.bnaibrithuk.org



Thursday 20th October

London

Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania to the UK

Panel discussions and a concert. 'Litvak Days in London'. Live and Virtual. Speaker: TBC. Pre-booking is required. 6.30-9pm. JW3, 341-351 Finchley Rd, London NW3 6ET, NW3 6ET. Contact: Juste Raipaite juste.raipaite@mfa.lt 07747 264272

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Wednesday 26th October

Virtual

Strawberry Hill House

Online Talk. 'I shall now go on selling as I can to these people' Joseph Duveen and the making of the Stern-Michelham collection. Live and Virtual. Speaker: Dr Silvia Davoli. This lecture reassesses the collecting activities of Herbert Stern (1851–1919), 1st Baron Michelham, and his wife, Aimée (1882–1927), at the



start of the twentieth century, when their lives were lived partly in France and partly in Britain. The first section provides a general overview of the Stern family and their social, cultural and philanthropic activities, which were comparable in scope and range with those of other German–Jewish families established in the United Kingdom at the time. The later sections outline their progressive detachment from this model in favour of a decidedly cosmopolitan direction, a transformation initiated by Lord and Lady Michelham and completed with the assistance of the Jewish art dealer Joseph Duveen. Grade I Listing. Book via www.strawberryhillhouse.org.uk/events We have decided to make this an online event only. So online tickets are now available from £5 to £8.

Wednesday 23rd November

Virtual

B'nai B'rith UK - Dr Helen Beer

<u>Talk.</u> 'Yiddish in the 21st Century: Continuity and Change' . Virtual only. Speaker: Dr Helen Beer. This talk will firstly examine how Yiddish language and culture continued in the post-World War 2 period. Then, Helen Beer will highlight many developments and changes which have arisen in the 21st Century. Pre-booking required FREE. 8-9pm. Contact: office@bnaibrithuk.org 07588 087324 www.bnaibrithuk.org

Wednesday 2nd November

7pm. Contact: Claire Leighton 020 8744 1241 claire.leighton@strawberryhillhouse.org.uk https://www.strawberryhillhouse.org.uk/

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B'nai B'rith UK - Louise Soloway Chan

<u>Talk.</u> 'An Artist's Journey from East to West and Back Again'. Virtual only. Speaker: Louise Soloway Chan. Pre-booking required FREE. 8-9pm. Contact: <u>events@bnaibrithuk.org</u> 07588 087324 www.bnaibrithuk.org



Louise Soloway Chan

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ZOOM EVENT: In Conversation With: Lord Dubs & Professor Gilbert

Sunday 30th October 8pm





"What lessons can we learn from refugees of the Holocaust and how they have rebuilt their lives, to help us better understand the situation refugees from Ukraine currently face?"

Lord Alfred Dubs, will be interviewed by Professor Shirli Gilbert, Professor of Modern Jewish History at University College London.

Lord Dubs

Born in December 1932 in Prague, Lord (Alf) Dubs was one of the Czech children rescued from the Nazis in the Kindertransport. Since then, he has been a keen campaigner on the plight of refugees, leading him to sponsor an amendment to the government's immigration bill in the Lords in 2016, which would have forced the government to accept 3,000 unaccompanied child refugees stranded in Europe. Lord Dubs has been a local councillor, an MP, Chair of the Fabian Society, Chair of Liberty, a trustee of Action Aid, Director of the Refugee Council and a trustee of the Immigration Advisory Service.

Professor Shirli Gilbert D.Phil

Shirli Gilbert is a specialist in modern Jewish history, with particular interest in the Holocaust and its legacies, modern Jewish identity, and Jews in South Africa. She holds a D. Phil in Modern History from the University of Oxford and was a Postdoctoral Fellow in the Society of Fellows at the University of Michigan.

Register for zoom at events@bnaibrithuk.org

Please include your full name, email address and how you heard about the talk.

There is no charge for this event but donations to B'nai B'rith charities can be made on the BBUK website.

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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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For further information about Jewish Heritage Days, both here and on the Continent, please contact B'nai B'rith UK.

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