



Engaging Jerusalem



April is Telling Jerusalem

"Jerusalem is a Port City on the shores of eternity" (Yehudah Amichai) – As we all recognize Jerusalem is a land-locked city so what kind of a port can it be? It is a metaphysical one that conveys the story of each traveler that visits its shores. Each journey's narrative is stored and awaits another pilgrim to carry it on to the next destination. In the month of April, we are asking you to share your Jerusalem Stories with us. Invite us into your journey and benefit from the adventures of others.

Adding Jerusalem to Your Home Seder

Wednesday, April 5, 7-9 PM

Dig deeper into Passover and discover ways to include Israel and Jerusalem in your Seder experience beyond the "Next Year in Jerusalem" closing line. In this class, you will learn some new techniques to use at your Seder, whether you are leading one for the first time or the 50th time (though maybe you will share some tricks with us as well). Furthermore, we will discuss traditional and contemporary themes of the day that can deepen your discussion of the holiday and learn from customs of Jewish communities from around the world. Co-taught by Rabbi Allen, Cantor Vogel, and Rabbi Shawn.



Telling Jerusalem – Personal Israel Stories

Wednesday, April 19, 7-9 PM

We want the congregation and community members to share their Israel/Jerusalem stories. We invite you to an evening of good cheer, good food and good stories. Add your story to ours, please contact Rabbi Shawn to RSVP: 610-667-5000, ext 114 or rabbishawn@harziontemple.org

Scholar in Residence – Dr. Melila Hellner-Eshed

Saturday morning, April 29, 9 AM (PLEASE NOTE change in service time)

Dr. Melila Hellner-Eshed will deliver the D'var Torah during Shabbat morning and present a lecture Beit Midrash (Study Hall) style

Hellner-Eshed lectures on the Zohar and Jewish mysticism in the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Department of Jewish Thought and teaches in the Revivim Honors Teacher-Training Program in Jewish Studies in the University's Faculty of Humanities. She is also a research fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute.

