

Past Events at Sephardic House 2002

May 8, 2002

Free

KABBALAH AND THE HOLOCAUST

Author: Bezalel Naor

The question most often asked concerning the Holocaust is, "Where was God?" This book grapples with the issue based on the teachings of Kabbalah. While shunning facile solutions, the book documents isolated instances where the divine presence manifested itself despite the darkness that swallowed six million. The book corrects a certain ethnocentric distortion by showing the conflagration was common to Sephardic Jews and came close to engulfing Yemenite Jewry.

Rabbi Naor, founder and director of Orot, an organization that disseminates the teachings of Rav Kook. Book available \$25.

May 14,

Tickets: \$5; SH & ASF Members Free

THE GREAT HAHAMIM OF THE SEPHARDIC WORLD - last of a series of 3 lectures

Subject: Rabbi Eliyahu Mizrahi of Turkey

Place: The Center For Jewish History 15 West 16 Street

Lecturer: Rabbi Dr. M. Mitchell Serels, Magen David Congregation of Scarsdale

Rabbi Eliyahu Mizrahi was a rabbi in Turkey during the time of the arrival of the Jews from Spain. He faced the enormous social and economic upheaval brought about by the need to absorb large number of immigrants. The impact on the establishment had a profound effect on the integration of these ladino speakers. He also dealt with the questions of the Karaites.

June 9, 2002

SPRING CONCERT - From Istanbul to Iasi (Yash): The Balcan Bessarabian Connection - The Influence of Sephardic Music on Romanian Klezmer Music

Featuring: Yale Strom and the Hot P'stromi Ensemble

Presented by Sephardic House and the American Sephardi Foundation

One of the world's leading authorities on Jewish music. Composer, musician, ethnomusicologist, Yale Strom's research into the music of Romania and the Balkans and its influence on Sephardic and klezmer music form the core of this extraordinary music. *The concert is dedicated to the memory of Mr. Abe Capon.*

Place: Center for Jewish History, 15 W 16 St. NYC 10011

Tickets: \$18 General Public \$75 Patrons (receive a Hot P'stromi Ensemble CD).

Advance ticket sales are available at the Box Office of the Center for Jewish History

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June 11, 2002

Free

NO ROOM OF THEIR OWN: Gender and Nation in Israeli Women's Fiction

Sponsored by the Braka Philanthropic Foundation

Author: Yael S. Feldman

Yael Feldman is Abraham I. Katsh Professor of Hebrew Culture and Education at New York University. "Feldman has produced a provocative look at the tension between Israeli

nationalism and an emerging feminist consciousness in Israeli women's fiction." Tikkun.
She will address the Sephardic perspective on women's fiction in Israel.
Book available \$17

December 10-17, 2002

7th International Sephardic Film Festival
at the Center for Jewish History
New York

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