

Past Events at Sephardic House

Cultural Calendar - Spring 2003

Celebrating our 25th season

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| Thursday, May 15, 7:00 pm | <p>Rescue and Redemption of Ethiopian Jews Speaker: Asher Naim, author of <i>Saving The Lost Tribe</i></p> <p>Asher Naim, born in Tripoli, Libya, made aliyah with his family at the end of World War II. Since 1956 he has held diplomatic posts all over the world, including Japan, Kenya, Uganda, Finland, Ethiopia, and Korea. In 1991 he was appointed as Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations. He began his work on the Jews of Ethiopia during his tenure at the Embassy in Addis Ababa.</p> <p>Admission: \$5 YJFA & ASF Members Free Co-sponsored with the Yemenite Jewish Federation of America</p> |

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| February 27- August 17, 2003 | <p>Jewish Theatre and Book Designs of Emanuele Luzzati</p> <p>A graduate of the École des Beaux Arts and Arts Appliquées, and one of Italy's most beloved theatre, opera, and book designers, Emanuele Luzzati has received three Academy Award nominations for his animations of Mozart's <i>The Magic Flute</i>, Rossini's <i>The Thieving Magpie</i>, and Meir Shalev's <i>Jerusalem</i>. After the success of his retrospective at the Centre Georges Pompidou in Paris, the New York exhibition features an exclusive collection of artwork dedicated to Jewish Theatre.</p> <p>Hours: Mon. through Thurs.: 9am - 5pm Friday: 9am - 1pm; Sunday: 11am - 5pm</p> |
| Opening February 5th - May 1st, 2003 | <p>Scattered Among the Nations</p> <p>A photographic journey through the most remote Jewish communities of the world, by Bryan Schwartz, Jay Sand and Sandy Cartex.</p> <p>This exhibition is organized with the non-profit organization Scattered Among the Nations and is made possible, in part, by the generous support of Leon and Elsi Levy.</p> <p>Hours: Mon. through Thurs.: 9am - 5pm Friday: 9am - 1pm; Sunday: 11am - 5pm</p> |
| Continuing through April 1 | <p>Jews from Arab Countries The Loss of Ancestral Inheritance</p> <p>Photographs depicting Jewish life in Iraq and Libya between 1920's and 1950's, and the arrival of Iraqi Jews to Ma'abarot (transit camps) in Israel. The accompanying text describes the life of Jews in these Arab countries and their history of persecution and loss.</p> <p>Hours: Mon. through Thurs.: 9am - 5pm Friday: 9am - 1pm; Sunday: 11am - 5pm</p> |

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| <p>Winter Session January 8 through March 26, 2003</p> <p>Wednesday evenings 7-8:30pm 12 sessions</p> | <p>LADINO (Judeo-Espanol) LANGUAGE CLASS in cooperation with Congregation Shearith Israel</p> <p>at The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue 2 W. 70 St. NYC</p> <p>Instructor: Daisy Sadaka Braverman Registration Fee: \$75 per semester Contact: Rabbi Ira Rohde for registration at 212/873-0300 Ext. 217</p> |
| <p>March 25th, 2003 Tuesday 6:30-8:00PM</p> | <p>Hispanic Women's History Day Honoring Christy Haubegger, Founder of Latina Magazine & Angelina Muñiz Huberman, poet, writer, Professor at Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México. Readings, reception and presentation of Women of Valor Award. Performance: <i>In Their Own Voices: Women in the Judeo-Hispanic Song and Story</i>. Contact Mazol Ustaev at 212-294-8350 for further information. <i>Sponsored by the American Sephardi Federation, Hispanic Federation and the Consulate General of Israel in New York</i></p> |
| <p>Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 7:15- 9:00pm Sundays, May 4, 11 & 18.</p> | <p>LADINO PLAYERS THEATRE WORKSHOP of Congregation Shearith Israel</p> <p>Open to anyone interested in performing, singing and assisting in the production. Performance scheduled for Lag B'Omer, Tuesday, May 28th at 7:30 pm. For reservations call Rabbi Ira Rhodes at (212) 873-0300</p> |
| <p>Tuesday, May 20, 2003 7:30pm</p> | <p>FIRST PERFORMANCE OF LADINO PLAYERS THEATRE Avia Deser, (Once Upon A Time) will take place on Tuesday May 20, 2003 at 7:30 PM at Congregation Shearith Israel, 2 West 70th Street, New York</p> |
| <p>Tuesday, May 6, 6:30 pm</p> | <p>CELEBRATING YOM HA'ATZMAUT <i>Songs of the Middle East, Andalus and Sephardic Oriental Communities</i> Featuring Hazzan Moshe Tessone and his Ensemble</p> <p>Longing for Jerusalem, Sephardic Jews have always aspired to bond with the Almighty through liturgical poetry and song, best reflected in the immortal selections of the great Sephardic poets Yehuda Halevy, Abraham Ibn Ezra, and their contemporaries. This concert strives to authentically recreate those enchanting and fervent melodies that express poetic devotion to Jerusalem and the modern State of Israel. Moshe Tessone, Hazan at <i>Ahi Ezer Congregation</i>, Brooklyn, is Director of Sephardic Community Programs and a faculty member of the Beltz School of Jewish Music, Yeshiva University.</p> <p>Presented in association with Yeshiva University Museum Tickets: \$10; \$8 for YUM, SH and ASF members, seniors & students. Includes YUM admission. (The galleries are open from 11am-8 pm)</p> |
| <p>Tuesday, June 3, 7:00 pm</p> | <p>LADINO CONCERT <i>Songs of Love, weddings and Holidays in the Judeo-Spanish World</i> Featuring The Alhambra Ensemble with Isabelle Ganz</p> <p>This concert is dedicated to the memory of Jack Calderon. Tickets: \$15; Patrons \$75 (includes an Alhambra Ensemble CD) Location: The Spanish Institute, 684 Park Avenue (68th Street), NY</p> |

For reservations call: 212-628-0420

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| sign-up March 12, 2003 Wednesday 7-9 PM | SEPHARDIC KOSHER COOKING CLASSES WITH CHEF Carole Basri at the chef's home in the West Village Kosher Cuisine of Egypt <i>in conjunction with the Sephardic Experience Weekend</i> |

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| Tuesday, April 1, 7 pm Tuesday, May 13, 7 pm | THE GREAT HAHAMIM OF THE SEPHARDIC WORLD <i>A Series of two lectures by Rabbi Dr. M. Mitchell Serels</i> Congregation Magen David, Scarsdale Haham Nahum Effendi, the famous Rabbi of Egypt Tuesday, April 1, 7 pm The Rabbis of Syria Tuesday, May 13, 7 pm Admission: \$5/each lecture SH & ASF Members Free |

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| Monday, April 14, 6 pm | Film: L'Affaire Dreyfus (The Dreyfus Affair) A striking and provocative production! The travesty of justice suffered by Dreyfus is set against the tenor of the times, and includes historical figures of both Jewish and French society. The French military establishment, infected with anti-Semitism, is willing to sacrifice moral and ethical standards, and an innocent Jew, to protect its reputation. In juxtaposition are the heroic figures in Dreyfus' family, and supporters in the intellectual world who struggle for the truth and vindication. France, 2000, 3hrs. 30 mins., French with English subtitles. Speaker: TBA Admission: \$7 General/ \$3.50 Students and Seniors Co-sponsored by the Leo Baeck Institute |

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| SAVE THE DATE March 28, 28, 30, 2003 | SEPHARDIC EXPERIENCE WEEK-END CELEBRATING THE JEWS FROM EGYPT at The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue A Shabbaton with Egyptian food, lectures and <i>pizmonim</i> . Saturday evening: Egyptian film and music. Sunday: lectures and documentary films about The Jews of Egypt. Reservations necessary. For information please call (212) 294-8350. SIGN-UP <i>Made possible in part by the generous support of the Smart Foundation.</i> |

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| | Community Passover Sedars |
| Wednesday April 16, 8:30PM | Wednesday, April 16, 2003 – 8:30 pm Sephardic Tradition conducted by Devick Sellam Thursday, April 17, 2003 – 8:30 om Ashkenazi Tradition conducted by Larry Goldstein These Seders are intended both for beginners and those who are well-versed in seders. |
| Thursday April 17, 8:30PM | Food will contain NO kitnios (rice, etc.) Catered by Village Crown. Reservations and advance payment are a must. \$40 per Seder Please call the Young Israel of Fifth Avenue at (212) 255-4826. In conjunction with the Young Israel of Fifth Avenue |

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