

# Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies



Programme for Trinity Term 2019



# PUBLIC EVENTS OF OCHJS



## THE DAVID PATTERSON LECTURES

The lectures are held in the Catherine Lewis Lecture Room,  
Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies,  
Clarendon Institute, Walton Street, Oxford, OX1 2HG (Tel. 01865 610422)

**Mondays 6.00-7.15pm, except for week 6\*\*\***

### **Week 1, 29 April**

**Dr Kirsten Macfarlane** (University of Cambridge)

*An English Hebraist, an Ottoman 'Rabbi', and the Unlikely Story  
of the First Hebrew Books Printed in Amsterdam (1605-1606)*

### **Week 2, 6 May**

**Professor Jonathan Price** (Tel Aviv University)

*Ancient Synagogues in Judaea/Palaestina: Community and Language*

### **Week 3, 13 May**

**Dr Nadav Berman Shifman** (Yale University)

Jewish Traditionality and Classical American Pragmatism:  
Venturing beyond the Atlantic Wall

### **Week 4, 20 May**

**Dr Dirk van Miert** (Utrecht University)

*There was no Hebrew Republic of Letters: Christian Hebraism, conceptual history  
and theory of citizenship*

### **Week 5, 27 May**

**Professor Shmuel Feiner** (Bar Ilan University)

*The Year 1700 and the Birth of the Jewish 18<sup>th</sup> century*

### **Week 6, 3 June at 5pm\*\*\***

**Professor Derek Penslar** (Harvard University)

*What's love got to do with it? The emotional language of early Zionism*

### **Week 7, 10 June**

NO LECTURE

### **Week 8, 17 June**

**Dr David Sclar** (Harvard University)

*Moses Hayim Luzzatto's Pietistic Confraternity in Eighteenth-Century Padua*

**ALL ARE WELCOME**





## LANGUAGE CLASSES

### BIBLICAL HEBREW

#### Thursday evenings at the Clarendon Institute

Weeks 1-8      6.00-7.00pm: Beginners  
                    7.00-8.00pm: Continuers

Please register with the tutor: **Dr Stephen L Herring**

email: [stephen.herring@orinst.ox.ac.uk](mailto:stephen.herring@orinst.ox.ac.uk)



### MODERN HEBREW ULPAN

#### Wednesdays at the Clarendon Institute

Weeks 1-8      5.45-6.45pm: Beginners  
                    6.45-7.45pm: Intermediate

Please register with the tutor: **Mrs Tali Kleinman Almagor**

e-mail: [tali.kleinman@mail.huji.ac.il](mailto:tali.kleinman@mail.huji.ac.il)



### YIDDISH CLASSES

#### Mondays at the Clarendon Institute

Weeks 1-6, 8    3.45-4.45pm: Beginners  
                    4.45-5.45pm: Intermediate/Advanced

Please register with the tutor: **Dr Khayke B Wiegand** (Corob Lector in Yiddish, OCHJS)

e-mail: [BeruriahWiegand@aol.com](mailto:BeruriahWiegand@aol.com)

**All are welcome. Members of the public are advised that in some classes teaching may be adjusted to meet University requirements**



## OXFORD BIBLICAL HEBREW SUMMER SCHOOL

To be held at the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies from September 2-13, 2019.

The cost of the school is £300 per student for 30 hours of language instruction.

Further details and an application form may be downloaded from the Centre's website.

[Closing date: Monday 22 July 2019]

The school offers ten days of intensive teaching in biblical Hebrew. Each weekday there will be three hours of teaching, delivered in two separate 90-minute sessions, between 10.00am and 4.00pm. The OBHSS corresponds to two full terms of intensive teaching for a full-time university student. It is open to students with or without experience in the language.





**ACADEMIC PROGRAMME**  
**of THE CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES**  
**of the UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD**



**OXFORD SEMINAR IN ADVANCED JEWISH STUDIES**  
**The Mishnah Between Christians and Jews in Early Modern Europe**

**Convenors: Joanna Weinberg and Piet van Boxel**

**The seminars will be held on Tuesdays from 4.15 - 6pm in the Clarendon Institute  
(except for Week 7\*, which will be at 2.15pm)**

Week 1, 30 April

**Thomas Roebuck** (University of East Anglia)  
*Mishnaic Scholarship in Seventeenth-Century England*

Week 2, 7 May

**Dirk van Miert** (Utrecht University)  
*The social life of Guilielmus Surenhusius (1666-1729)*

Week 3, 14 May

**Kirsten Macfarlane** (University of Cambridge)  
*Christianity as Jewish Allegory? Guilielmus Surenhusius's 'Sefer Ha-Mashveh' (1713)  
and New Testament Scholarship in the Early Eighteenth Century*

Week 4, 21 May

**Joanna Weinberg** (University of Oxford)  
*The annotated Mishnah among Jews and Christians in early modern Europe*

Week 5, 28 May

**Richard Cohen** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)  
*Imagining Visually the Mishnah: From Wagenseil to Wotton*

Week 6, 4 June

**Anthony Grafton** (Princeton University)  
*Some Christian Uses of the Mishnah*

Week 7, 11 June \* at 2.15pm

**David Sclar** (Harvard University)  
*Menasseh's Mishnahs: Three Amsterdam Imprints in Intellectual and Cultural Context*

Week 8, 18 June

**Ada Rapoport-Albert** (University College London)  
*How mishnaic was Immanuel Hai Ricchi's Mishnat Hasidim (Amsterdam, 1727)?*

**[This Oxford Seminar will culminate with a Conference on 24-25 June.  
Programme details available soon from the website]**





**SEMINAR ON JEWISH HISTORY AND LITERATURE  
IN THE GRAECO-ROMAN PERIOD**

The following seminars will be held on Tuesdays, 2.15-3.45pm,  
at the Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies,  
Clarendon Institute, Walton Street

**Convenor:** Professor Martin Goodman

Week 1, April 30

**Professor Martin Goodman** (Oxford)

'Paul as persecutor in the history of Judaism'

Week 2, May 7

**Professor Jonathan Price** (Tel Aviv)

'Beth She'arim: a congregation of cultures'

Week 3, May 14

**Dr Tali Artman-Partock** (KCL)

'Why is it so hard to find women in Hebrew tours of hell? A history of a tradition'

Week 4, May 21

**Dr Helen Spurling** (Southampton)

'The representation of Arabs in late-antique apocalyptic literature'

Week 5, May 28

**Professor Kai Brodersen** (Erfurt)

'Earth, wind and fire: how the Septuagint translated divine elements'

[Septuagint Forum]

Week 6, June 4

**Dr Theofili Kampianaki** (Birmingham)

'Aspects of the appropriation of Flavius Josephus in medieval Greek and Latin literature'

Week 7, June 11

**Dr Julia Krivoruchko** (Cambridge)

'The silence of the idols: the story of ἄλαλος from classical into medieval (Judaeo-) Greek'

[Septuagint Forum]

Week 8, June 18

**NO SEMINAR**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**





## LUNCHTIME SEMINARS IN JEWISH STUDIES

The Seminars will take place on Thursdays at 1pm at the Clarendon Institute

**Marcello Cattaneo** (Princeton University)

23 May: 'Jewish Law and Christian Scholars in Early Eighteenth-Century England'

**Professor George Carras** (Washington and Lee University)

6 June: 'The Bible among Diaspora Jews as Rewritten Biblical Narrative: Flavius Josephus and Paul of Tarsus'

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## SEMINAR ON THE HOLOCAUST AND MEMORY

Convenor: Dr Zoë Waxman

**Thursdays, 2pm in the Clarendon Institute, Room 207**

Week 2: May 9

**Katherine Lebow** (University of Oxford)

*Archivists, Activists, and Graphomaniacs: Towards an 'Integrated' History of Early Polish Holocaust Testimony*

Week 4: May 23

**Anna Hájková** (University of Warwick)

*Why do we need a history of prostitution in the Holocaust? Reflections on sexual violence, agency, and sex work*

Week 6: June 6

**Christine Schmidt** (Wiener Library for the Study of the Holocaust and Genocide)

*'We Are All Witnesses': Eva Reichmann and Early Holocaust Research at the Wiener Library*

Week 8: June 20

**Rebecca Jinks** (Royal Holloway, University of London)

*Interconnections [or otherwise] between Holocaust memory and genocide memory*



## LEHMANN LECTURE

The third Alfred Lehmann Memorial Lecture will take place on Tuesday 11 June at 5pm in the Catherine Lewis Lecture Room at the Clarendon Institute

**Leora Auslander**

(Arthur and Joann Rasmussen Professor in Western Civilization  
and Professor of Modern European Social History, University of Chicago)

*Diasporic Home-making in times of crisis: Jews in Paris and Berlin in the 20<sup>th</sup> century*

Refreshments to follow

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## POSTGRADUATE WORKSHOP: 70 YEARS OF THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS

21 June 2019 at the Clarendon Institute

Convenors: **Professor Markus Bockmuehl**, **Professor Martin Goodman** and **Professor Hindy Najman**

- 8.45-9am: Registration and Welcome
- 9-10am: **Professor Eibert Tigchelaar** (Leuven)  
*The Cave 1 Hoyadot Scroll Materially and Spiritually*
- 10.15-11.15am: **Sarah Wisialowski**  
*Leaders as Exemplars in the Community at Qumran*
- Lyndon Drake**  
*Economic capital in the Dead Sea Scrolls*
- 11.30-12.30pm: **Elizabeth Stell**  
*'Tell Me Your Dream so I May Understand': Dream as Interpretation in the Genesis Apocryphon*
- Annie Calderbank**  
*Divine Presence Over and Within: Temple Discourse in the Dead Sea Scrolls*
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- 1.30-2.30pm: **Rebekah Van Sant-Clark**  
*Isaiah's Poetics of Exile and Wilderness: The Afterlife of Isaiah 40:1-11*
- Anna Krauss**  
*How to Make Sense of a Gap? The omission of Psalms 104-111 in 4Q84*
- 2.45-3.45pm: **Alexander McCarron**  
*Enoch, a Righteous Man'; Genesis 6:9 as Intertext in 4QEn<sup>a</sup> (1 Enoch 1:2)*
- Daniel Schumann**  
*The Eschatologization of the Gift of the Promised Land in 1 En. 1-5*
- 4.00-5.00pm: **Kenny Chi Kin Lei**  
*Friends or Strangers? A Comparison between Peshet Interpretation in the Dead Sea Scrolls and Matthew's use of Hosea 11:1*
- Yael Fisch**  
*Midrash-Peshet in Qumran, Paul and the Tannaim*
- 5.15-6.15pm: **Professor George Brooke** (Manchester)  
*Dead Sea Scrolls Scholarship in Oxford: Past, Present and Future*
- 6.15-6.30pm: Concluding remarks

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## CONFERENCE

14-15 May at the Clarendon Institute

### "Horizons in Textual Criticism: Translating and Transcending Textual Criticism"

Convenors: **Dr John Screnock** and **Professor Jan Joosten**

[All sessions in Room 207 except where marked]

#### 14th May

14:30 - 14:45 [Catherine Lewis Lecture Room]

**Jan Joosten** (University of Oxford)

*Introductory Remarks*

14:45 - 15:45 [Catherine Lewis Lecture Room]

**Charlotte Hempel** (University of Birmingham)

*Less is Less: The Diminished Place of Biblical History in the Dead Sea Scrolls and Beyond*

16:15 - 17:15

**Tuukka Kauhanen** (University of Helsinki)

*Abel and Dan (2 Sam 20:18-19) in Source Criticism and Archaeology*

18:15 - 19:30 [Catherine Lewis Lecture Room]

Public Forum: 'The Origins of Biblical Texts' (See next page for details)

#### 15th May

9:15 - 10:15

**Andrew Daniel** (University of Oxford)

*The Translator's Tell: Translation Technique, Verbal Syntax, and the Myth of OG Daniel 4-6's Semitic Vorlage*

10:30 - 11:30

**Alison Salvesen** (University of Oxford)

*Symmachus: An Anomaly among Ancient Translators of Scripture?*

11:45 - 12:45

**Stefan Schorch** (Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg)

*The Role and the Value of the Samaritan Versions for the Textual History of the Samaritan Pentateuch*

14:30 - 15:30

**Pablo Torijano** (Complutense University of Madrid)

*Textual Criticism and Its Impact on the History of Religion and Language: Some Examples in Kings*

15:45 - 16:45

**Jan Joosten** (University of Oxford)

*Textual turbulence in the story of David's succession (1 Kgs 1-2)*

16:45 - 17:00

**John Screnock** (University of Oxford)

*Response and Closing Remarks*

All are welcome, but pre-registration is required

Please fill out the quick registration form here ([Registration Form](#)).







## **PUBLIC FORUM**

14 May, 6.15pm at the Clarendon Institute

### **'The Origins of Biblical Texts'**

[The first in a series of six public forums, *The History of the Bible from Qumran to Today*]

**Professor Jan Joosten** (Oxford), **Dr John Screnock** (Oxford) and **Professor Stefan Schorch** (Halle).

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## **OXFORD SUMMER INSTITUTE ON MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY JUDAISM**

**Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies**  
**in partnership with the Berman Center, Lehigh University**

30 June – 5 July 2019

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Oxford Summer Institute on Modern and Contemporary Judaism will focus on the theme of "**Jerusalem and Babylon: Past and Present**". Participants will explore this concept as it has evolved in the course of Jewish history, thought, and culture throughout the globe – including comparisons with the rich Christian articulations on the topic. A focus of the discussion will be on the ways in-depth analysis of this notion offers tools for examining the burgeoning contemporary dynamic in which new parallel centres of Jewish civilization have arisen as original, powerful, yet highly distinctive models.

**[Closed event]**



## **HEBREW MANUSCRIPT STUDIES SUMMER WORKSHOP**

This year's Summer Workshop on Hebrew Manuscript Studies: Codicology, Palaeography, Art History will be held from 1 to 12 July at the Weston Library in Oxford.

**[Closed event]**



## **MUSICA JUDAICA: JEWISH MUSIC BETWEEN ORAL AND WRITTEN TRADITIONS. THE 19<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY IN CONTEXT**

### **CONFERENCE**

14 - 15 July 2019

at the Clarendon Institute

(Details to be announced)



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**VISITING FELLOWS AND SCHOLARS: Trinity Term 2019**

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**Visiting Fellows  
(OSAJS Mishnah project)**

**Marcello Cattaneo** (Princeton University)  
**Professor Anthony Grafton** (Princeton University)  
**Dr Kirsten Macfarlane** (University of Cambridge)  
**Professor Richard Cohen** (Hebrew University)  
**Professor Yosef Kaplan** (Hebrew University)  
**Dr Thomas Roebuck** (University of East Anglia)  
**Dr David Sclar** (Harvard University)  
**Dr Dirk van Miert** (Utrecht University)

**Visiting Scholars**

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**Dr Peter Bergamin**  
**Dr Neta Bodner** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)  
**Professor George Carras** (Washington and Lee University)  
**Dr Aya Elyada** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)  
**Dr Yael Fisch** (Tel Aviv University)  
**Dr Tuukka Kauhanen** (University of Helsinki)  
**Professor Sara Lipton** (Stony Brook)  
**Dr Stefano Salemi** (King's College London)  
**Dr Daniel Schumann** (University of Münster)

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**THURSDAY COFFEE AND CAKE**

Every Thursday morning during term from 11.00 to 11.30am in the Common Room.  
An opportunity to meet and catch up with others working in Hebrew and Jewish Studies.

**All are very welcome**



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