

BIAS Conference 2022: Unfolding Time: Texts – Practices – Politics (Draft Programme)

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TUESDAY, 5 July						
17.30–19.00	Round-table (online) – Time in the Plural: Why Time Studies Matter In Jewish Studies Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Lynn Kaye, Max Strassfeld					
SUNDAY, 10 July						
14.30–16.00	A Guided Visit to <i>The House of Life</i>, Willesden (with registration) - Nadia Valman					
MONDAY, 11 July						
8.30	Registration opens					
9.15	Session 1	'Life-Writing' in Bible and Midrash	Times in Prayer, Prayers in Time	Affect and Memory: In Dialogue with Walter Benjamin and Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi	Jewish Heritage in the UK Context I	New Antisemitism and Anti-Antisemitism
		Hannah Kate Capey , 'Are you having a laugh?': Impossibility, denial, and ambiguity in the Abraham and Sarah cycle	Tzachi Cohen , From when does one recite Shema in the evening? Relative time, universal time, temple time and family time in Mishnah Berachot 1:1	Liza Michaeli , The Jewish agon, in holding	Alan Benstock , Connecting Jewish Collections with Jewish Communities: A Case Study of Leeds City Museum	Joseph Finlay , Must Antisemitism Always Go Up? Counting Antisemitism in Britain Over Time
		Benjamin Williams , From Gladiators to Fisticuffs: Updating Late-Antique Pugilistic Imagery in Midrash Tanhuma ha-Nidpas	Sarah Wisialowski , Time for Renewal: How Daniel 9 Changes History	Tsiona Lida , The ascent of fallen Jews: Affect and historical memory in Walter Benjamin and Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi	Eva Frojmovic , Paradoxes of Jewish Heritage in Solomon A. Hart's Album of Sketches (Leeds University Library)	Adam Sutcliffe , The Politics of Anti-Antisemitism at British Universities
		Natalie C. Polzer , The Story Cycles of Rabbi Eliezer and Rabbi Akiva in Avot de Rabbi Natan Versions A and B: Proto-Biography or Redactional Coincidence?	Hanoch Ben-Pazi , A Prayer for the Future to Come: The Paradigm Shift in the Concept of Time according to Franz Rosenzweig	Gad Marcus , The Meaning of Walter Benjamin's Mindful Remembrance	David Newman , The Preservation of Closed Synagogues and Their Artefacts (Including Windows)	
10.45	BREAK					
11.00	Welcome					
11.30	Session 2	Participating in the Story: Trans-temporal Enactments	Historical and Eternal Times in Literature and Jewish Thought	Narrating Nation Time	Jewish Heritage in the UK Context II	Whither Now?
		Jiani Sun , Narrative, Time, and Ethics: A Reading of the Plague Cycle in Wisdom of Solomon	Gilad Sharvit , History and Eternity: Rosenzweig on Repetition	Adi Mahalel , The Burrows and Chains in the Hebrew and Yiddish Works of Aylti	Anna Douglas , Shirley Baker's 'Jewish Heritage'	Alissa Symon , Israel and Diaspora Jews: A Changing Relationship
		Meyrav Levy , Cognitive Participation in the Exodus Through Medieval Illuminated Mahzorim	Daniel M. Herskowitz , Franz Rosenzweig on Mission, Empire, and Redemption	Miriam Neiger , Between Hungarian and Hebrew: The Poetic and the Political in Avigdor Hameiri's Translation of Imre Madách's Play <i>Az ember tragédiája</i>	Rebecca Tritschler , Langside (Glasgow) as Heritage	Robert Cohen , Jewish Journeys to Palestinian Solidarity – Surely, It's About Time
		Samira Mehta , Collapsing Time and Combining Histories: Michael Twitty's <i>Seder</i> Blending Israelite and African American Slavery	Miriam Feldman Kaye , The Sabbath as 'Eternal Time' in Modern Jewish Philosophy: Abraham Joshua Heschel in Light of the Phenomenology of Edmund Husserl	Gareth Evans-Jones , Hen Wlad Newydd (Old New Country): The 'Zionist temporality' of Judith Maro in a Welsh Context	Shannon Kirschner , Clifford's Tower – Heritage Reshaped	Hannah Ewence , A Timely Debate? Jewish Studies and Decolonisation
				Orr Scharf , End Point or Beginning? 1948 as the Harbinger of Multidimensional Temporality		

13.00	LUNCH					
14.00	Session 3	Unsettling Temporalities	Digital Mapping and Analysis in Jewish History	Sound, Rhythm and Time	Jewish Life in Britain	BIAS Antisemitism Working Group: Open Meeting
		<p>Rebekah Van Sant-Clark, Weaving Displacement into the Past in the book(s) of Esther</p> <p>Sherry Ashworth, On Time and Reading the Book of Esther</p> <p>Katherine Gwyther, Back to the Future? Hauntology and the Promised Land in the Hebrew Bible</p>	<p>Anna Pobudejska, Translating the Enlightenment: Quantitative Analysis of Translations in the Polish Haskalah</p> <p>Oleksii Chebotarov, Mapping Jewish Transmigration in Late Imperial East-Central Europe: Spatial Dimensions of Migration Governance, Networks and Transit Experiences</p> <p>Elli Fischer, Tracing the Institutionalization of Hungarian Yeshivot through Subscription Lists</p>	<p>Vanessa Paloma Elbaz, The Sonic Cycles of Time in Moroccan Jewish life</p> <p>Miranda Crowdus, Frozen in Time? Contemporary European Jewish Cultural Heritage Displays and Construction of Jewish Temporal Stasis</p> <p>Netta Schramm, Sound Beliefs: Yeshayahu Leibowitz, Ovadia Yosef, and Irving Greenberg's Performative Legacies</p>	<p>Julia Pohlmann, Secularization vs. Religious Pluralism – Re-evaluating Jewish and Non-Jewish Responses to the Jewish Naturalization Act of 1753</p> <p>Henry Holborn, Jewish communities in provincial Lancashire during and after the Great War, 1914-1926</p> <p>Pam Fox and Amy Hill Shevitz, Seaside Holiday, Mountain Vacation: The Culture of Jewish Resorts in Britain and the United States</p> <p>David Newman, The Role and Impact of Lithuanian Rabbis in Twentieth-Century UK</p>	
15.30	BREAK					
16.00	AGM					
17.15	Keynote Lecture – Vivian Liska , 'The End or the Beginning': The Interval Between Past and Future in German-Jewish Modernism					
18.15	New Scholars Reception					

TUESDAY, 12 July

9.00

Session 4

Scribal Interventions

Luba Charlap, The Masora Activity as a Revolutionary Action and Its Textual, Interpretive, and Narrative-Halachic Implications

Marc Michaels, Time can be a cruel mistress: The Transmission of the Masoretic Scribal Manual Sefer Tagin

Moshe Pinchuk, The Talmud Yerushalmi of Bologna - A Possible Vorlage of the Leiden Manuscript

Calendars, History and Historiography in Islamic and Byzantine Contexts

Nadia Vidro, How many Jewish Calendars?

Fred Astren, Medieval Jews and the Hijrī Era

Saskia Dönitz, Yosippon in a New Garb: Rewriting a Historiographic Classic

Nuray Ocakli, Romaniot Jews of Kastoria in the mid-15th Century Ottoman Registers: Life in Kastoria and the Journey to a New Life in Constantinople

Yiddish Changing with the Times: Yiddish Publishing and Textual Culture

Chair: **Ben Gidley**

William Pimlott, British Yiddish and Its Decline

Vivi Lachs, The Changing East End of Katie Brown's Edited Yiddish Sketches 1930-40s

Sonia Gollance, 'A Tombstone that will Last for Generations': Time and Trauma Memorialization in Tea Arciszewska's *Miryeml* (1958)

Migrants, Refugees, Settlers: Changing Forms of Longing and Belonging

Yair Wallach, Rethinking Jewish Ashkenazi migration to the Levant - through the categories of integration and acculturation

Kinga Czechowska, Between hope and despair: Polish Jews and British policy towards Palestine in 1930

Matteo D'Avanzo, The Ethiopian Jews Under Italian Fascist Rule

Jewish Country Houses in Pan-European Perspective

Chair: **Abigail Green**

Colette Bellingham, Reading The Red Book: Ferdinand de Rothschild and the Country House Album

Silvia Davoli, A little known salonnrière Juive: Ernesta Stern (1854-1926)

Sietske Van der Veen, A Rothschild Legacy in Utrecht: Hélène van Zuylem van Nyevelt-de Rothschild and the Rebuilding of De Haar Castle

Cyril Grange, The expropriation of the castle and winery of Moncontour and the integration of its Jewish seigneur in the locality

Discussant: **Laura Leibman**

10.30

BREAK

11.00

Keynote Lecture – **Sacha Stern**, *Living in Multiple Time-Frames in Ancient and Medieval Jewish Society*

12.00

LUNCH

13.00

Session 5

A Plurality of Meaning: New Approaches to Reading Sex and Gender in Rabbinic Texts

Neil Janes, The Yefat To'ar: A coerced and liminal halakhic category

Tali Artman-Partock, How can we use rabbinic literature to support sexual abuse victims?

Laliv Clenman, A Woman Would Marry a Woman: Reading Lesbian Marriages in Torat Cohanim

Studying the Heavens with Christians to Keep Jewish Time on Earth

Israel M. Sandman, The Easter Cycle in Medieval Sephardic Calendar Monographs

Tzvi Luboshitz, Counter-Hebraism: Christianity in the Eyes of a Jewish Kabbalist

Pavel Sládek, Astronomy, Kabbalah and Calendar in Ashkenaz, 1550–1650

Jewish-Christian Relations and Jewish Activism in the United States

Irina Rabinovich, Interfaith Marriage Goes Wrong: Belle Kendrick Abbott's *Leah Mordecai*

Rachel Kovacs, Do Justice, Love Mercy, and Walk Humbly with Your G-d: Herbert Lehman as Statesman, Humanitarian and Champion of Social Justice

Amy Fedeski, Iranian Jewish Migration to the United States and the (Re-)Making of American Refugee Policy, 1978-1984

Experiences of Time During and After the Holocaust

Jennifer Putnam, Timelessness: Prisoner Experiences of Time in Nazi Concentration Camps

Steven Samols, Picturing the Holocaust: A Photobook by Survivors in the Immediate Postwar Period

Robert Thompson, 'To work with Jews, not only for Jews': Christian encounters with Holocaust survivors in post-war relief

Tom Eshed, Sovereignty Out of Time and Space – The Initiative to Confer an Israeli Citizenship upon Holocaust victims in the 1950s

Muslim-Jewish Encounter, Diversity and Distance in Urban Europe - A Round-Table

Chair: **Yulia Egorova**

Alyaa Ebbiary
Daniella Shaw
Arndt Emmerich
Élodie Druetz
Anis Fariji
Ben Gidley

14.30	BREAK					
15.15	<p>Session 6</p> <p>The state of Jewish tangible heritage in Ukraine: Buildings, monuments, museums and libraries</p> <p>A Joint BIAJS-JHSE Panel</p> <p>Chair: Eva Frojmovic</p> <p>Eugeny Kotlyar, Jewish Heritage in Independent Ukraine: Discovery, Study, Preservation and Presentation - Thirty Years of Experience and Challenges</p> <p>Sofia Dyak, Jewish Heritage and Diversity in Lviv</p> <p>Tetyana Batanova, The Judaica Department at V. I. Vernadsky National Library of Ukraine: Revival, Study, and Preservation</p> <p>Vitaly Chernovianenko, Ukraine's Hebraica Collections in International Perspective</p> <p>Nadia Ufimtseva, Judaica Objects in Ukrainian Museums</p> <p>Interlocutors: Mia Spiro and Eva Frojmovic</p> <p>(Ukrainian scholars will participate remotely.)</p>	<p>Failure, Crisis, Redemption: Kabbalistic and Polemic Temporalities</p> <p>Hillel Feuerstein, Regressive Words – Failing Cosmogony</p> <p>Hartley Lachter, Temporal Spirals: Cosmic Cycles and Jewish History in Medieval Kabbalah</p> <p>Miriam Sklarz, The scepter shall not depart from Judah... until the coming of Shilo”: Nahmanides's Polemic Regarding the Time of the Messiah's Advent</p>	<p>Times and Technologies of Education and Celebration</p> <p>Ofer Livnat, Teaching and Disseminating Computations Creatively: Medieval Jewish Calendar Manuals</p> <p>Shalom Morris, Miriam Mendes Belisario's <i>Sabbath Evenings at Home</i> and Sephardic Print Culture in mid-nineteenth century England</p> <p>Sari R. Alfi-Nissan, The Light Within Me: Celebrating the Self Through Jewish Holidays in the iGen Era</p> <p>Nadia Beider, Jewish School Choice in Europe</p>	<p>Pandemic Times</p> <p>Liat Steir-Livny, Israeli-Jews in the Current Health Crisis: Covid-19 and Holocaust Representations in Israeli Media and Social Media</p> <p>Anat Feldman, Religion, health, and politics: Charedi society in Israel during the COVID-19 period</p>	<p>Unfolding Time: A Visit to the Treasures of the British Library (with registration)</p> <p>Ilana Tahan</p>	
17.00	<p>Reception and Awards Welcome: Marion Thain (Faculty of Arts & Humanities), Marat Shterin (Theology & Religious Studies)</p>					
18.00	<p>Conference Dinner (with registration)</p>					

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Session 7

Rethinking Time and Space in the Second Temple Period

Charlotte Hempel, Qumran in Time and Place – Beyond the Watershed Paradigm

Naomi Hadad and Eshbal Ratzon, A New Edition of 4Q319

Joan Taylor, Gender, Time and Space in the Second Temple and Early Synagogue Complexes: Reflections on Josephus

Male and Female Pietism in Relation to Time

Joseph Citron, In search of lost time: paradigms of time in Isaiah Horowitz's Shelah and the kabbalistic literature of the early modern period

Kate Miriam Loewenthal, Haredi Women, the Pandemic, and Time

Naftali Loewenthal, Times of Prayer in Habad Hasidism in Spiritual and Social Context

Whose History and Memory? Reshaping the Past for the Present

J.J. Kimche, A Revolution in Time: The Historicist Moment in Jewish Philosophy

Karolina Sierzputowska, The Anglo-Jewish Historical Exhibition and the Politics of Memory

Karen Skinazi, Narrative Time: The Rise of Mizrahi and Sephardi Historical Fiction

Postgraduate and Early Career Research: Developing an Academic Career – A Round-Table

Chair: **Susannah Rees**

Steven Samols (Thesis Completion and Grant Applications)

Rebekah van Sant-Clark (Thesis Completion and Grant Applications)

Katharina Keim (British Academy Post-doctoral Fellowships)

Lindsey Taylor-Guthartz (Publishing the First Monograph)

David Tollerton (Tenure-Track Positions and Teaching Fellowships)

Jews and Progressive Activism from Liberal into Illiberal Times, c. 1893-1939

Chair: **Jaclyn Granick**

Ellery Gillian Weil, The 'Old Woman' and the New: The Progressive Era and the Rise of the Jewish Women's Movement

Abigail Green, Rethinking American Jewish liberalism: the "children of 1848" in the United States

Paul J. Weinbaum, Jewish Internationalism and Public Health: Ludwig Rajchman, The League of Nations Health Section and the Creation of a Transnational Health Organization 1919-1939

Peter Bergamin, The Contradictions of Liberal British Zionists: Paul and Romana Goodman as case study

10.30

BREAK

11.00

Session 8

Marriage and Divorce: Halakhah and the Secular State

Wendy Filer, Searching for stable legal solutions to personal status across time and legal space: the case of Lindo v Belisario (1795-1796)

Avishalom Westreich, The Civil Revolution of Jewish Family Law in Israel

Melech Westreich, Coerced Divorce of the Wife: Jewish Law in Tunisia in the Modern Era

Yitshak Cohen, The Proposed Domestic Partnership Law – Circumvention of the Religious Marriage Law

Power, Authority and their Limits in Italian Kabbalah

Noam Lev-El, Antiqui et Moderni in Sixteenth-Century Kabbalah: Constructing Authority in a Time of Absent Knowledge

Eugene D. Matanky, Popularizing, Regulating, and Institutionalizing Kabbalah in Early Modern Italy: The Career of Menahem Azariah da Fano

Avi Kallenbach, How Not to Respond to a Book: Digressive Hebrew Marginalia in Early Modern Italy

Christian Constructions of Jewishness and Jewish Time

Danielle Padley, Mirroring Mirah? Reflecting on Jewish female voices in the wake of Daniel Deronda

Jana Hunter, 'A thick layer of time': travelling to Prague's Jewish Quarter c. 1840-1920

James Renton, Navigating the Jewish Time of the Renaissance and Enlightenment

Shaping and Sharing Time in Practice

Mie Jensen, 'Thank you for being a badass queer Jew. Mazel tov and l'chaim': Queer Jewish Women's Practices in Contemporary England

Max Munday, Constellations of Jewish pasts, presents and futures in practice-based research

Lindsey Taylor-Guthartz, 'A taste of the world to come': time and timelessness at Limmud conference

Private Passions and Public Commitments: Belonging, Activism and Citizenship in the Lives of the Anglo-Jewish Elite, c.1830-1980

Chair: **Silvia Davoli**

Tom Stammers and **Abigail Green**, Jews and Hunting in Modern Britain: Gender, Politics and Place

Isobel Muir, The lasting esteem of the people? An investigation of the legacy of Sir Joseph Duveen, Lord Millbank (1869-1939) as British cultural philanthropist

Jaclyn Granick, Local and Transnational Activism of Elite Jewish Women in the 20th century

Discussant: **Laura Leibman**

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LUNCH

13.30 – 14.30

Concluding Roundtable – **After Progress? Temporalities and Counter-Temporalities in Jewish Studies: Fred Astren, Irene Zwiep, Andrea Schatz**

15.30 – 17.00

A Literature Walk through London's Jewish East End
Nadia Valman and Vivi Lachs (with registration)

David Hillman's Stained Glass Windows: A Guided Visit to St John's Wood Synagogue
David Newman (with registration)