

Yisrael and You University

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**B'nai Shalom of Olney
18401 Burtfield Drive
Olney, MD 20832
301-774-9323**



- **Please read the catalogue and make your selections on the enclosed registration form. The catalogue is divided into age appropriate sections.**
- **Be sure to print neatly.**
- **Keep in mind that courses will be filled on a first come first served basis.**
- **All students in grades Pre-school to 2 must be accompanied in a class with at least one parent.**
- **Students in grades 3-7 are required to attend with one parent (adult family member permitted) but may take a different class than their parent.**
- **For courses that require a fee, please include a check (payable to BSO) or cash with your registration form. If a class is already filled upon the receipt of your registration form, your money will be returned.**

Schedule

8:45-9:15	Minyan
9:15-9:50	Registration, Continental Breakfast
10:00-10:50	Session 1
11:00-11:50	Session 2

GRADES NURSERY - 2

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
100	Israeli Holiday Songs (Grade Pre-school - 2)	Hazzan Yael Fischman

Sing , clap, and dance to Israeli holiday music and feel the spirit of Israel.

Hazzan Yael Fischman was one of the first conservative female cantors in America. She served congregations in Minnesota, Virginia and Maryland before the birth of her twins two years ago. She is a commissioned member of the Cantors Assembly.

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
101	Conversation Hebrew Ulpan (Grade Pre-school -2)	Anat Tadmor

Come learn basic conversational Hebrew through interactive movement.

Anat Tadmor is the primary ulpan teacher at BSO Religious School. She is the physical education teacher at Washington Hebrew Congregation.

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
102	Israeli Playland (Grades Pre-School – K)	Pamela Gorin

Children and parents will visit different centers, making matching cards for a match game, exploring a floor map of Israel, putting together a puzzle and listen to a story.

Pam Gorin is the Director of B'nai Shalom of Olney Nursery School. She has been involved in Jewish education for 20 years. She currently is a member of the Early Childhood Committee at United Synagogue.

<u>COURSE #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>
103	<i>Yofi Tofi Israel Bound (Pre-School- Gr. 2) Cost: \$5.00 per child</i>	<i>Rebecca Gordon</i>

Share in the excitement as Yofi Tofi Puppets prepare to take a trip to Eretz Yisrael. Learn about great places in Israel, kibbutzim, the Hebrew language, and much more.

Rebecca Gordon's warmth and personality have touched audiences and students of every age- from pre-schoolers to seniors. Playing guitar and singing in English, Hebrew and Yiddish, she has worked as a Judaic music specialist for more than 26 years. Her puppet troupe, "Yofi Tofi", has garnered rave reviews from children, parents and educators.

<u>COURSE #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>
104	<i>Under the Sea (Grades K-2)</i>	<i>Pam Glikman Harriet Caplan</i>

Weave fish (K-2) or create sand terrariums (3-7) to understand the flora and fauna of the Northern Galil.

Pam Glikman taught nursery school and currently teaches Fifth Grade in the Religious School at BSO. She loves art. Harriet Caplan teaches 2nd grade at BSO and is also a nurse.

OPEN TO ALL

<u>COURSE #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>
500	<i>Israel Art Center \$3.00 per person materials fee</i>	<i>Bonnie Schiller Robin Skolnik</i>

Participants will learn about the cities of Israel through creating a permanent BSO wooden landscape of Jerusalem and by designing an original Israeli stamp T-shirt.

Bonnie Schiller graduated from Emory University and has been teaching nursery school at BSO for 7 years. She is an active member of BSO and the mother of two sons. Robin Skolnik is a graduate of the University of Maryland where she studied Early Childhood Education. She is also a graduate of the Morasha Program in Jewish Studies. She is a member of BSO, soccer coach extraordinaire, and loves working with children.

GRADES 3-7

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
105	<i>Storytelling Our Way Through Israel...A Virtual Tour (Grades 3 and up)</i>	<i>Orly Kenneth</i>

Stories will take participants on a virtual tour of beautiful places in Israel, our holyland-our homeland. We will hear stories, from biblical times, early Zionism and modern Israel. We'll see ancient sites and modern wonders.

Orly Kenneth is a Shlichah of the Jewish Agency to the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington. Orly has a BA in Archeology and an MA in Jewish History. In Israel, Orly worked for the Ministry of Education on programs enhancing Jewish identity and social justice. In the last 2 ½ year, Orly worked with local educators in the DC area on Israel education.

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
106	<i>Dancing into the Promised Land (Grades 3 and up)</i>	<i>Rachel Kling</i>

Come explore a number of dances from different periods of Israel's history. There will also be dances that reflect influences from Eastern European, Middle Eastern, and Mediterranean traditions. No experience is necessary.

Rachel Kling is employed at Jewish Women International and is a former member of the University of Maryland Dance Group. She lives in Washington, DC and hopes to attend law school.

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
107	<i>The Land Tells Us Who We Are (Grades 4-7)</i>	<i>Synde Shalvi</i>

An archeological dig, this workshop offers a hands on approach where participants will dig their way into history to learn about our ancestors through physical remains as well as ritual objects. Come join us in a land before our time to uncover some buried treasure!

Synde Shalvi has been teaching for many years. She is currently a sixth grade teacher at BSO. She is the mother of two great children and is expecting a third child in April. She enjoys traveling, skiing and cross stitching.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**108 Breakfast Israeli Style
(Grades 3 and up)**

Efrat Shlomi

Participants will prepare a traditional Israeli breakfast and take the recipes home to share a taste of Israel with their families.

Efrat Shlomi is a Sabra who graduated from Hebrew University Jerusalem with a degree in Occupational Therapy. She was born in Tel Aviv and lived there until 2 ½ years ago. She is the proud mom of 18 month old Yotam.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**109 Dining in a Bedouin Tent
Hahnasat Orhim- Welcoming the Stranger
(Grades 3-7)**

**Melissa Ash
Barbara Milenky**

How different was the biblical food to the food we eat today? We will recreate the ambiance of a Bedouin tent complete with baking pita, sipping nana and sampling lentil soup. We will learn the Jewish value of welcoming the stranger as Avraham and Sarah did in ancient times. Bring your own pillow!

Melissa Ash teaches Grade 1 at BSO. She is the mother of twins and is currently employed by the Department of Homeland Security. Barbara Milenky is an educator of deaf and hard of hearing students for MCPS. She has taught Hebrew School for 25 years and currently heads our Learning Center. In addition to her duties as Bubbe to Nadav, she loves to cook and offer hospitality.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**110 What Time Is It? Ma Ha-Sha-ah?
(Gr. 3 and up)
\$5.00 materials fee**

**Avigail Frager
Susan Kramer**

Participants will make a workable decorative wooden clock complete with a Jerusalem background and Hebrew numbers. L'Shana Ha'ba'ah b'yerushaliyim...next year in Jerusalem!

Avigail Frager teaches grades 3 and 4 at BSO. She currently teaches fourth grade in the Washington, D.C. school district. Susan Kramer is currently working in our Learning Center. She enjoys working with the BSO staff and students.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**111 Magen David Adom
(Grades 3-7)**

Mandy Miliman

How does the Israeli Red Cross operate? Students will participate in two sessions of Israeli army "training" by a former member of the IDF as well as EMT "training" by a volunteer for Israel's ambulance service.

Mandy Miliman teaches grade 4 at BSO and is a junior at the University of Maryland. She is enrolled as an English major. She recently volunteered for Magen David Adom.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**112 Edible Map of Israel
(Grades 3-7)**

**Becca Kugler
Brett Kugler**

We will be using sheet cakes to teach the modern day map of Israel. We will highlight cities, bodies of water and mountains using our cake decorating skills.

Rebecca Kugler is employed at the Hebrew Day School as a teacher assistant. She is currently a graduate student at the BJE and George Washington University and hopes to earn a Masters in Jewish Education. Brett Kugler is a teacher at Sulam and hopefully will be starting graduate school this spring to earn a masters degree in special education.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**113 Commercials and Junk Food Israel Style
(Grades 3-7)
First Session Only**

Hazzan Sara Geller

We will taste Israelis' favorite snack foods and listen to/and or watch Israeli commercials, comparing our preferences and learning new Hebrew words. No Hebrew knowledge is necessary. An appetite for junk food is!

Hazzan Sara Geller has traveled to Israel nine times and enjoys learning about Israeli culture and customs. She holds a Master's Degree in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies from Brandeis University, and is a member of the Cantors' Assembly. Hazzan Geller has served B'nai Shalom of Olney since 2002.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**114 Israel is on the Map
(Grades 3 - 7)**

Osnat Exman

While touring the blow up map of Israel, we are going to play and learn about Israel. We are going to have situations to solve regarding the land, music, food and history of Israel. Whoever answers more questions and solves more puzzles gets to be the king of Israel for the day! Tu' Bshevat is coming so all participants will leave with a special treat.

Osnat Exman is serving her second year as the Jewish agency shlichah for USCJ seaboard region. She served in the education unit of the Israeli Defense Forces, in collaboration with the Ministry of Education. During most of her service, she was the Region Director of soldiers specializing in informal education and leadership training. At the end of her service, she was Course Director of basic training for informal education.

GRADE 5 - ADULT

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**115 From Hip-Hop to Rock: The Many Sounds
Of Israeli Music
(Grades 5- Adult)**

Jordana Luks

Do you love music? If you think that Jewish music or Hebrew songs represent music, think again! Come hear the music played on Israeli radio today. You will learn how the music reflects aspects of Israeli society and culture. Learn what is going on in the Israeli music scene today, including visits of famous American artists like Madonna and American Idol Kelly Clarkson!

Jordana Luks is the Officer of Public Affairs at the Embassy of Israel. Ms. Luks has extensive experience with Israel advocacy and education. She has worked with a wide range of American Jewish and political organizations. Her writing and research has been published in the U.S. Senate, newspapers and the internet.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**116 Israeli Politics
(Grades 5 and Up)**

Adam Zeren

Learn about the way politics work in Israel today by taking part in a mock election for Prime Minister. Participants will take on the role of an actual Israeli politician and create a campaign for Israeli Prime Minister. Participants will help create a campaign speech

and campaign signs.

Adam Zeren teaches Grades 3 & 5 at BSO and is the Youth Director. He spent many years in television news before pursuing his current interests.

<u>COURSE #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>
117	<i>Israel Facts and Fun (Grades 5 and up)</i>	<i>Reeva Ninio</i>

A fun game of drama, art and general knowledge that helps all to learn more about modern Israel.

Reeva Ninio was born in South Africa and lives in Israel. She is serving as the community shlichah in Washington for two years. She is professionally involved in programs promoting Israel diaspora relations.

<u>COURSE #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>
118	<i>The History and Culture of Safed Through the Ancient Art of Micrography (Grades 5 and up)</i>	<i>David Freedman Chammie Freedman</i>

Take a walk through the holy, northern city of Safed, a cultural artistic community. Come away with an understanding of its history and try your hand at ancient micrography.

Chammie and David Freedman are students at the University of Maryland, College Park and teach the third and sixth grades respectively. They are both from Chicago, but have each spent a year abroad in seminaries in Israel.

<u>COURSE #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>
119	<i>Conversational Hebrew Ulpan (Grade 5 and up)</i>	<i>Hagit Leibowitz</i>

Learn basic Hebrew phrases and greetings. Learn Hatikvah and the National Anthem, both authored by the renowned Naomi Shemer.

Hagit Leibowitz is a native of Israel where she was a lawyer. She is a Grade 5 teacher here at BSO and teaches in Kemp Mill Montessori School. She is a graduate of Bar Ilan University and holds a Masters Degree from Tel Aviv University. She is a member of Emunah Women of Israel and currently resides in Silver Spring.

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Instructor(s)</u>
120	<i>Mystical Aspects of Tu B'shevat Foods (Grades 5 and up) Second Session Only</i>	<i>Hazzan Sara Geller</i>

Tu B'shevat is on February 13! There are many interesting customs about eating the produce of Israel on Tu B'shevat. We will sample these interesting foods and learn about their significance by studying Biblical verses. Knowledge of Hebrew is helpful but not required. An appetite for healthy foods is helpful but not required.

Hazzan Sara Geller has traveled to Israel nine times and enjoys learning about Israeli culture and customs. She holds a Master's Degree in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies from Brandeis University, and is a member of the Cantors' Assembly. Hazzan Geller has served B'nai Shalom of Olney since 2002.

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Instructor(s)</u>
121	<i>The Wedding Moroccan Style and An Early Passover (Grades 5 and up)</i>	<i>Elissa Golan Lior Golan (with the help of Nadav)</i>

Elissa and Lior will recreate an Israeli Moroccan simcha from Henna to wedding. (Nadav will see what he missed!) Moreover, Passover will never be the same once you dabble in the art of making and eating "Muffletta".

It's a love story! American girl from Rockville, Maryland meets Israeli Moroccan guy in the Haifa, Israel bus station. The rest is history, Nadav, and a mixture of both cultures.

<u>COURSE #</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR(S)</u>
122	<i>If We All Want Peace, Why is it So Hard to Achieve? (Grades 5 and up)</i>	<i>Shamai Leibowitz</i>

A presentation and panel open discussion on the issue of what factors are preventing Israelis and Palestinians from living together in peace. Participants: A Jewish Israeli lawyer, a Palestinian Israeli lawyer, and a Palestinian lawyer from the West Bank.

Shammai Leibowitz is an Israeli lawyer who has represented minorities in Israeli society before the Israeli Supreme Court and organized dialogue groups between Israelis and Palestinians, including very religious Jews and Muslims.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

123 *The Ancient Art of Crocheting Kippot*
(Grades 5- adult)
\$5.00 Material fee

Robin Wilpon

In this double workshop, participants will learn the ancient technique of crocheting kippot (yarmulkes). We welcome men, women, boys and girls and of course, bubbies and zeydies! So put your fingers to the test and create something beautiful to wear to synagogue.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

124 *Designing Hamsas*
(Grades 5- adult)
\$10.00 Material fee

Nancy Schmitz

Hamsas are extremely popular in Israel and are often hung in the entrance way . Participants will decorate wooden Hamsas/hand shaped wall plaques, discuss the history of Hamsas and learn how they are used. Images from Israeli plants, architecture and popular symbols will be used for decoration.

Nancy Schmitz has worked with adults and children in creating beautiful and usable Judaic art and ritual objects. Nancy has offered workshops at B'nai Shalom's University previously, making mizrachs, seder plates and kiddush cups.

GRADE 7 - ADULT

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
125	<i>Israel Among the Nations...Improving Its Image (Grades 7 - Adult)</i>	Jordan Hassin

Bring out the international public relations guru in you! This course will provide basic background information about Israel and its culture, after which participants will be broken into teams to create a "public" diplomacy plan for Israel through cultural means. The plans will be shared and discussed.

Jordan Hassin currently serves as the Cultural Affairs officer at the Embassy of Israel. He has experience working with members of Congress, royalty and numerous government organizations. Mr. Hassin holds an MA from American University in Public Diplomacy.

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
126	<i>Why a Jewish State in the Land of Israel? (Grades 7- Adult)</i>	Jordan Harburger

Theodore Herzl, Ahad Ha'am(Asher Ginsburg), Vladimir Jabotinsky, the current President of Iran, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, and Israel's first Prime Minister, David Ben Gurion, all expressed contradictory views on why a Jewish state should or should not be established in the land of Israel. Participants in this class will explore these contradictory views.

Jordan Harburger teaches seventh grade at Bnai Shalom of Olney. He is the Development Director of the Jewish Foundation of Group Homes.

ADULTS ONLY

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
127	<i>Israeli Wines (Adult 21 +)</i>	<i>Robert N. Olive Emily Rosen</i>

***Did you know that a variety of good wines come from Israel?
Participants will learn about different regions of Israel while tasting
wines from those regions.***

Robert Olive teaches 7th grade at BSO and 6th, 7th, and 8th grade English and Social Studies at St. John's Episcopal School. Robert earned his Bachelor's Degree in English from Belmont University and his Master's Degree in Education from the University of Massachusetts. He comes to Olney after 6 years at York Preparatory School in New York City. He has 13 years of experience in education including an interesting background in developing a school television station.

COURSE #	TITLE	INSTRUCTOR(S)
128	<i>The Lessons We Have Learned From the Oslo Accord (Ages 18 and up)</i>	<i>Rabbi Moshe Ulmer</i>

***A look into the history of negotiations between Israel and the PLO.
What changes will have to be made by the Israelis and Palestinians
for negotiations to be successful?***

Rabbi Ulmer actually informed us that he grew up in a log cabin in Kentucky. He currently is serving as Interim Rabbi of B'nai Shalom of Olney.

COURSE # TITLE

INSTRUCTOR(S)

**129 *Zionism and the Land of Israel in the Siddur*
(Ages 18 and up)**

Rabbi Philip Pohl

This class will examine how the Siddur promotes our attachment to the "Land of Israel" and how it also serves as a political/religious statement about the modern day "State of Israel".

Rabbi Pohl was the Rabbi of BSO for 27 years. He has a very special Place in our hearts and we always look forward to his presence at our University Day.

B'nai Shalom of Olney Kapiloff Religious School Yisrael and You Registration

There will be a total of 2 sessions, please choose 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th choice.

Please...one art class per registrant. Courses filled in order registration is received.

Return this form by Sunday, **January 29, 2006**

Please call 301-774-9323 for questions.

STUDENT INFO:

Name: _____ **Tel. #** _____ **Age:** _____

Grade _____

Please choose 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th choice. List course by name and number.

1 st choice:	Course #:
2 nd choice:	Course #:
3 rd choice:	Course #:
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Is this for a nursery school through grade 2 student?

Yes, No

Who is the adult/adults accompanying this child? _____

STUDENT INFO:

Name: _____ **Tel. #** _____ **Age:** _____ **Grade:** _____

Please choose 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th choice. List course by name and number.

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Is this for a nursery school through grade 2 student?

Yes, No

Who is the adult/adults accompanying this child? _____

PARENT INFO:

Name: _____ **Tel.**

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Please choose 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th choice. List course by name and number.

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See reverse side for additional registration forms.

B'nai Shalom of Olney Kapiloff Religious School Yisrael and You Registration

PARENT INFO:

Name: _____ **Tel.**

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Yes, No

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_____ **Grade** _____

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Is this for a nursery school through grade 2 student?

Yes, No

Who is the adult/adults accompanying this child? _____

Grades 3-7 Students and Parents:

If siblings and/or parents are requesting to be placed in the same courses, please specify below.