

Association for Israel Studies Annual Meeting

May 17-18, 1992 • Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Preliminary Program

SUNDAY, MAY 17

8:30 - 9:00am **WELCOMING REMARKS.** Mark Tessler, Gregory Mahler, et al.

9:00-10:45 **Session I. CONFRONTATION AND DIALOGUE IN THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT.** Jerrold Green, University of Arizona, Chair.

"The Koranic Pronouncement Towards Jews in Sura II and Muslim Acceptance of Israel." David Rabeeya, Lafayette Hill, PA.

"U.S. Political Culture and the Peace Process." Melvin Friedlander, George Mason University.

"Writing the Intifada: From Enthusiasm to Reassessment." Ian Lustick, University of Pennsylvania.

"Israeli-Palestinian Dialogue: Pitfalls and Promise." Peter Demant, The Hebrew University.

10:45 - 11:00 **BREAK**

11:00 - 12:45 **Session II. LAW, POLITICS, AND THE CRISIS OF DEMOCRACY.** Ilan Peleg, Lafayette College, Chair.

"Israel as a Democracy: An Overview." Alan Dowty, University of Notre Dame.

"The Constitutional Dilemma of Israel." Gary Jacobson, Williams College.

"Politics and Law of Occupation: Israel's High Court of Justice as a Governmental Agent." Gad Barzilai, Tel Aviv University.

"Biography and Jurisprudence: The Case of Simon Agranat." Pnina Lahav, Boston University.

12:45 - 2:00 **LUNCH**

2:00 - 3:45 **Session III. CONSTRUCTION OF GENDER.** Yael Zerubavel, University of Pennsylvania, Chair.

"Changes in the Occupations of Israeli Women." Harriet and Moshe Hartman, Gratz College and the University of Pennsylvania.

"Subjectivities of Race and Gender in the Lives and Words of the Third World Israeli Women Writers." Smadar Lavie, University of California, Davis.

"Conflict in the Military World-View: An Ethnography of an Israeli Infantry Battalion." Eyal Ben-Ari, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

"The Problem of Gender in Israeli Protest Movements: A Case Study." Orna Sasson-Levy, Los Angeles, CA.

3:45 - 4:00

BREAK

4:00 - 6:00 **Session IV. DIASPORA AND IMMIGRATION: HISTORICAL AND CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES.** Walter Zenner, State University of New York, Albany, Chair.

"Lessons from the First Aliya." Eliezer B. Ayal, University of Illinois, Chicago.

"The Illegal Immigration of Greek Jews to Eretz-Israel in the Holocaust." Yitzchak Kerem, Aristotle University, Thessaloniki, Greece.

"Holocaust Survivors as Immigrants: The First and Second Generations." Ephraim Ya'ar-Yuchtman, Northwestern University.

"The Changing Relationship of American Jewish Denominations to Israel." Chaim Waxman, Rutgers University.

"Two Decades of Research on American Emigration to Israel." Arnold Dashefsky, The University of Connecticut.

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SUNDAY EVENING

A program of Israeli entertainment and an informal buffet dinner for conference participants

MONDAY, MAY 18

8:30 - 10:15 **Session V. DISCOURSES OF IDENTITY.** Naomi Weinberger, Barnard College, Chair.

"Tshuva: Ethnic Identities and the Cultural Logic of 'Returning' among Middle Eastern Haredim." Aaron P. Willis, Princeton University.

"A Test of Boundaries: Admission of a Jewish-Arab Couple to an Israeli Kibbutz in 1964." Nehama Satay, University of Pennsylvania.

"Religious and Political Orientations of Syrian Jews in Pre-1967 Israel." Walter Zenner, State University of New York, Albany.

"Israeli Artists and the Biblical Heritage." Tsfina Gitti, Rhodes College.

11:00 - 12:15 Session VI. IDEOLOGIES, SYMBOLS, AND POWER. Ian Lustick, University of Pennsylvania, Chair.

"The Dynamics of Death and Renewal: Masada and the Holocaust in Israeli Collective Memory." Yael Zerubavel, University of Pennsylvania.

"Myths and Symbols of the Kibbutz in the Narratives of a Kibbutz Storyteller." Haya Bar-Itzhak, University of Pennsylvania.

"Science, Professionalism and Power: The Israeli Government of 1984-1986." Michael Keren, University of Calgary/Tel Aviv University.

"New Social Movements in Israel: Tami, Kach and Shas in Comparative Perspective." Madeleine Tress, New York, NY.

12:15 - 1:30 LUNCH

1:30 - 3:15 Session VII. CONFLICT RESOLUTION: PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS. Kevin Avruch, George Mason University, Chair.

"Cross-Cultural Conflict Resolution Groups: American Palestinians and Jews in Dialogue on the Middle East." Amy Hubbard, George Mason University.

"Intervention Models of Conflict Resolution in Arab-Jewish Relations in Israel." Mohammed Abu-Nimer, George Mason University.

"Women's Alliances and Middle East Politics: Conflict Resolution through Feminist Lenses." Simona Sharoni, George Mason University.

"Neutralization: The Key to an Arab-Israeli Peace Process." Efraim Karsh, King's College, University of London.