



# KOL HA'KEHILAH

## THE COMMUNITY VOICE קול הקהילה



### THE KING OF THE SEASON

Rabbi Boris Dolin

Like many Canadians, I watched with somewhat detached curiosity as the king of England, Charles III, was crowned this past May. Always a fan of fancy rituals, I appreciated the costumes and the music, and found a genuine power in the formality of the entire affair. From the speeches to the parades and the beautiful music, there was more than enough pomp and circumstance to last me for weeks.

And being a rabbi, I couldn't help but make connections with this important event and Jewish tradition. While humility and simplicity may be a core value of Judaism, spectacle, pageantry, and of course the very concept of king are also important to Jewish life and ritual. We can start with the Temple in Jerusalem, whose beauty, architecture and size was meant to inspire awe. Or there was the royal clothing of the kohen gadol, the high priest who wore a sash made of "gold, the blue, purple, and crimson yarns, and the fine linen" (Shemot 28:4-5). Our ancestors even loved a good parade, as the mishnah describes the ritual of the bikkurim, the

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ellayne Kaplan

I am very grateful to have the opportunity to serve this congregation – again. I have been a member of Dorshei Emet since 1976 and acted as President from 1999-2001. Belonging here has been an integral part of my adult life, and a profound experience for my husband, our children and our late parents.

When I became president in 1999, Dorshei Emet was facing unique challenges including a burgeoning membership and a crumbling building. Going into the two-year commitment, I never expected it to end with a major capital campaign and a unanimous decision to build this synagogue; two years saw many changes. Today, we are facing a smaller membership, for a multiplicity of reasons, and a building that seems to need more and more attention.

During the recent graduation ceremony of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, President Rabbi Deborah Waxman talked about "being open to the inevitability of change". During one of my first speeches as president, twenty-four years ago, I read this quote from

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## The Hill We Climb

Executive Director, Cynthia Weinstein

The news that a Florida school was banning the poem "The Hill We Climb," recited by Amanda Gorman at President Biden's inauguration in 2021, reminded me of these lines in the poem:

**Somehow we've weathered and  
witnessed**

**a nation that isn't broken,**

**but simply unfinished.**

This idea of a broken world has been repeated in the past several years. Still, I prefer to look at things more optimistically, as outlined in the poem. If you have experienced a household appliance break in the last decade, you know that repair is often much more expensive than replacement. Broken is often a dead end.

Looking at an issue as unfinished instead of broken aligns with my role as Executive Director and with how I approach my personal life. I like to consider the Jewish tradition of tikkun olam, repairing the world, which emphasizes the action of making things better, not getting stuck on the diagnosis of every detail that is not perfect.

Many issues at Dorshei Emet still need to be finished, systems need to be put in place, policies should be adopted, improvements are required. It is easy to be overwhelmed by the to-do list. We are NOT broken, but change takes time and progress is often achieved slowly. I am the first to admit that I can get frustrated at the pace.

I have a sign in my office that says, "A goal without a plan is just a wish." Making those plans is where I come in. I enjoy the planning process and the implementation. Developing and managing these plans is my small part of repairing and improving what is unfinished here at the shul.

I am ambitious both for myself and for Dorshei Emet. Getting mired in the paralysis of brokenness is a trap. The declining membership of some shuls in Montreal and even North America does not temper my vision for Dorshei. Some shuls are thriving, and that should be us. The opportunity is to refrain from attempting to copy successful shuls and not to simply market what we currently have. The path requires us to critically evaluate what we are doing, define our goals and implement dynamic and exciting plans that meet the needs of the Montreal community today. It takes courage and discipline to examine yourself through a critical lens; it's not always easy to see yourself clearly.

The hill we climb at Dorshei is to continue to repair the world, our world. Contact me to discuss how you can be part of the process this year. The members of Dorshei Emet and our connection are the secret weapons!

On behalf of my family and the Dorshei Emet staff, I wish you all a Shana Tova. My wish is that 5784 is the year when we move together past brokenness and into the joy of repair.





## High Holy Days

High Holy Days Committee Chair, Howard Berger

Once again this year, all services will be live and in-house, with streaming available for those who are unable to attend in person.

Lucky us! - many of our talented members have volunteered to lead parts of the service with familiar *nigunim*. Under the leadership of Joseph Glaser, our choir will sing on Erev Yom Kippur, with one of our own members chanting Kol Nidre. Children's Programs are being planned and will cater to different age groups, and Rabbi Boris will be able to spend some quality time with the children.

As always, High Holiday tickets are included with your membership. If you would like to discuss your membership arrangements please contact Cynthia Weinstein, Executive Director. All arrangements should be made by September 5. We would love for you to invite guests and share the Dorshei experience. In person passes and livestream links are available. Please see the guest pass flyer flyer for details.

Many thanks to our devoted committee members and volunteers - we all look forward to experiencing the High Holy Days with our Dorshei Emet family!

# SPEND YOUR HIGH HOLY DAYS WITH US

CONGREGATION DORSHEI EMET

2023/5784



Join us for our unique & meaningful services.

Everyone is welcome.  
Come experience Dorshei Emet.

Guest passes to join us in-person available for \$250.  
Reduced prices for children and teens available.  
Live streaming guest links available for \$108.

Advance Registration required: <https://tinyurl.com/2vfuxarr>  
Call Cynthia Weinstein, Executive Director, 514-486-9400



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Mazal tov to Miriam Roland, on receiving the Presidential Recognition Award at the recent graduation ceremony of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College. The award is presented to an individual who has devoted their life to advancing Reconstructionist Judaism. Pictured with Miriam is Rabbi Deborah Waxman, president of Reconstructing Judaism.

## High Holy Days 5784 Schedule

### Rosh Hashanah Services

**Erev Rosh Hashanah: Friday, September 15, 6:30 PM**

**Rosh Hashanah Day 1 Services: Saturday, September 16, 9:00 AM**

**Rosh Hashanah Day 2 Alternative Services : Sunday, September 17, 9:00 AM**

**Day 1 & Day 2 Children Programming: 10:30 AM**

**Tashlich Gathering/Picnic: Sunday, September 17, 5:00 PM @ Pierre Elliott Trudeau Park, CSL**

### Yom Kippur Services

**Kol Nidre: Sunday, September 24, 6:30 PM**

**Yom Kippur Services: Monday, September 25, 9:00 AM**

**Children Programming: 10:30 AM**

**Musaf/Yizkor Services: 11:30 AM**

**Mincha/Neilah Services: 5:30 PM**

**Havdalah/ Break Fast: 7:33 PM**

### Additional Holidays

**Erev Sukkot: Friday, September 29**

**Sukkot Saturday, September 30, 10:00 AM**

**Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Services: Saturday, October 7, 10:00 AM**

**Simchat Torah Hakkafot: Saturday, October 7, 7:00 PM**

## Join Our Inspiring and Meaningful Services

For More Information, Contact: [rabbiboris@dorshei-emet.org](mailto:rabbiboris@dorshei-emet.org)



# Sabtuan – Community - שבת קהילה

## Scholar-in-Residence Weekend

September 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

September 30 Honours survivors of residential schools, those children who never returned home and their families and communities. At Dorshei Emet, we will be marking the day with a Scholar-in-Residence Weekend coinciding this year with the celebration of Sukkot. Our guest is Don Nicholls, Director of the Cree Nation Government Department of Justice and Correctional Services.

Please join us! And consider wearing an Orange T-Shirt!

### Shabbat, September 30:

- D'var Torah (during the morning's Sukkoth service): "Community and our Relationship to the Land". We will learn about the Cree community and its connection to the land.
- Kiddush in the Sukkah
- 2 – 4 PM (Adult programming): "Collective Rights, Values and Culture". Don will discuss some of the issues that led to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, as well as the different paths Indigenous communities are taking towards renewal, self-determination, and forgiveness.

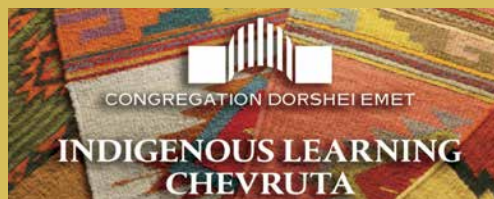
### Sunday, October 1:

- 11 AM – 1 PM (Jewish Journeys, upcoming and recent b'nei mitzvot): "Joining the Adult Community". Our teens will learn about Cree coming-of-age ceremonies and will have the opportunity to eat traditional ceremonial foods (vegetarian).



Don Nicholls comes to us from the Cree community of Mistissini where he lives and serves his nation as a lawyer, author, educator and entrepreneur. Don has represented Indigenous concerns at many international conferences, including his recent attendance at the United Nation's General Assembly during the passing of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Don holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from UWO, a Bachelor of Laws from U of T, a Bachelor of Civil Law from McGill, and a Master of Laws from the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law. Over the years, Don has taught treaty law and Indigenous rights at several American universities. He has lectured at McGill and has represented Indigenous interests around the world.





## YIZKOR BOOK

Yizkor Book Committee Chair,  
Bernie Weinstein



This year, right after Passover, I lost one of my closest friends of many years. I first met Suzie when I was 14 years old and we had been friends since then. Though we didn't live in the same place, we had been in contact constantly, even before Facebook and emails. Suzie would write long letters, always starting with B'H in the top corner of the first page and ending with rows and rows of X's and O's on the last page. In between, she would provide limitless minutiae, brightening my day.

Suzie was the first of my friends to pass away, and it has made me feel vulnerable. By honouring her in the Dorshei Emet Yizkor Book, along with our parents and relatives, my wife Sandy and I have made the 5784 edition especially personal and meaningful.

This year, 88 members submitted 485 names to be honoured in the Yizkor Book. Overall, we raised about \$6,500 for the Cemetery Fund, giving us a total to date of over \$35,000. The Cemetery Committee is still looking at ways to beautify and improve our cemetery using these funds.

A few years ago, we launched the Dorshei Emet Memory Book, found on our website. We now have 40 memories on the site and, every time I look at the entries, including the three that I have submitted, a tear comes to my eye. I plan to upload a story about Suzie, and I encourage all of you to take a look at the site. If you have submitted names to be honoured this year, why not add their stories to the Memory Book?

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giving of the first fruits: "An ox would go in front of them, his horns bedecked with gold and with an olive-crown on its head. The flute would play before them until they would draw close to Jerusalem" (Mishnah Bikkurim 3:3).

While the Temple may be gone and the parades are no more, the royalty of our faith holds strong especially as we enter the High Holiday season. The theme of kingship in a very real way commands this time of year, appearing in the liturgy and taking a key role in the spiritual themes of the holidays. From the Rosh Hashanah services of Malchuyot, to the haunting melody of Avinu Malkeinu, no matter what our theology may be, we are confronted again and again with the idea of kingship, power and faith.

The challenge and the blessing is that the "melech ha'olam", the heavenly king, has

no physical or earthly representation, and we can only know this power through our experience of the world and our spiritual lives. Yet it is on Rosh Hashanah, the start of the High Holiday season, that we are said to crown God as king, to celebrate with our own coronation and veneration. We sing, we offer speeches and we honor the holiness of the community and each other.

I am a proud Reconstructionist and I don't believe in a supernatural God beyond me who controls my life as a king would. Moreover, the very gendered notion of this power is quite problematic. Yet I am willing to see the compelling symbolism of this grand idea. We celebrate kingship by honoring the powers beyond us and holding on to the mystery of our lives and we celebrate the beauty of our world through the experience of communal gathering. We accept the powers of

our existence that we can't control: the science of the cosmos, the weather, the environment and the strength and the fragility of our physical bodies. No political or earthly power can ever control the fullness of our existence in this way and, whatever we may choose to call it, this power deserves some respect.

In difficult times such as ours, we need a powerful and humble reminder that we do not control everything in our world. For our spiritual coronation season, we don't need any fancy clothes or long parades. We simply need to renew our commitment to living ethical lives, to fixing the brokenness in ourselves and the world, and to honour the reality that there will always be a mystery beyond us, always things we cannot control. King or not, that itself is a reminder we all need during this holiday season.

## Dorshei Emet's Writing Wall

Communications Committee Chair, Lewis Lurie

The Writing Wall, a new addition to our website, is in development. Inspired by your Communications Chair, Lewis Lurie, and conceived by our Executive Director, Cynthia Weinstein, this will be an opportunity for writers among us - those already established and those aspiring - to "show their stuff". You are all encouraged to submit your literary creations - fiction, fantasy or factual, friendly or fearsome (poetry, as well as free verse) - to be posted on The Writing Wall in the "Events and Programs" section of the shul's website. The creations will then be available to be perused, contemplated, discussed, and enjoyed by the Dorshei Emet membership and beyond. Themes and subject matter should be Judaism-related and should have a yiddishkayt flavour, for example, Dorshei memories, Reconstructionism, life-cycle events at the synagogue and in the wider community, Israel (cultural and historical rather than political), in addition to general religious and spiritual musings.

Needless to say, this is a family- and child-friendly site, rated "G"! Posting will only be open to Dorshei members though the website is accessible to the public-at-large. This being a Reconstructionist synagogue, editorial guidelines are quite fluid and flexible. Therefore, chances are very good that your offering will be accepted. There is a limit of two submissions per member annually, with a maximum of 500 words per article. Send submissions to "[de-comms@hotmail.com](mailto:de-comms@hotmail.com)".

CONGREGATION DORSHEI EMET'S

# High Holy Days

FAMILY EVENTS

SONGS! STORIES! SNACKS!  
CRAFTS! AND MORE!

<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b> Day 1 <b>SEP 16</b> 10:30 - Noon	<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b> Day 2 <b>SEP 17</b> 10:30 - Noon	<b>YOM KIPPUR</b> <b>SEP 25</b> 10:30 - Noon
<b>SUKKOT</b> <b>SEP 29</b> SUUKAH BUILDING 4:30 PM KABBALAT SHABBAT 6:30 PM	<b>SIMCHAT TORAH</b> <b>OCT 7</b> 6:30 PM	<b>AND DON'T MISS:</b> FAMILY SHABBAT PROGRAM! STARTING OCT 14 10:30AM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED  
ROSH HASHANAH AND YOM KIPPUR PROGRAMMING  
INCLUDED WITH HIGH HOLY DAY TICKET

## A Word about Decorum....

President of Dorshei Emet, Ellayne Kaplan

Our synagogue is a sacred space. Respect and reverence belong not only in the sanctuary, the home of our Torah scrolls and prayer books, but in every part of our building.

Whether you are sharing a meal at kiddush, participating in a class or any other shul activity, please remember to be considerate to those around you. If you are fortunate enough to have children with you, please keep an eye on them – our shul is a big building and your children's safety and security is of utmost importance. And, speaking of safety, please remember that the kitchen is restricted to the catering staff.

We all cherish the image of our shul as a friendly, welcoming place. Each of us is a Dorshei Emet ambassador to the community – let's greet visitors with warmth and treat each other with kindness.



## Dorshei Emet Bookclub

Wednesdays @ 1:00 PM, In-Person.

Email: [programdirector@dorshei-emet.org](mailto:programdirector@dorshei-emet.org), To Join Us.

September 6, 2023

The Nine Lives of Charlotte Taylor by Sally Armstrong

October 4, 2023

The Covenant of Water by Abraham Verghese

November 8, 2023

Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver

December 13, 2023

How The Penguin Saved Veronica by Hazel Prior

March 13, 2024

The Oppermanns by Lion Feuchtwanger

April 10, 2024

The Midnight Library by Matt Haig

May 8, 2024

Half A Yellow Sun by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie



## NEW! THE CINEMATES FILM CLUB

Dorshei Emet  
**SAGES**  
OF ALL AGES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1:00-3:00 PM  
THE HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1:00-3:00 PM  
HARMONIA

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1:00-3:00 PM  
TO BE DETERMINED

IN-PERSON, VIEWING ON BIG SCREEN  
DISCUSSION TO FOLLOW VIEWING  
POPCORN WILL BE SERVED  
REGISTRATION REQUIRED  
EMAIL: [PROGRAMDIRECTOR@DORSHEI-EMET.ORG](mailto:PROGRAMDIRECTOR@DORSHEI-EMET.ORG)





## Dorshei Emet Bookclub

### The Story So Far...

Program Director, Oria Lissak

Eight years ago, Cynthia Weinstein was the Shul Program Director, I asked her if we could start a bookclub at Dorshei Emet. At the time I was attending a bookclub at another synagogue to support my friend who was running it.

In the fall of 2016, the bookclub met for the first time. I chose the book, "The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry" by Gabrielle Zevin. What a good way to start a new bookclub with a book that is for "anyone who loves books, bookstores and the world that reading opens up". We were 8 people that first day. After the review and discussion, we looked at each other and said, "Now what, anyone have a good book to review next month". We chose "My Brilliant Friend" by Elena Ferrante. The next month, we were 12 people. We have steadily grown and many club members from that first day still attend! The first year we chose our books month by month. Now we compile a list in advance for the whole year.

We really have read a variety of books. As I look at the list of books we have read so far, many of them are still my favorites. I would list a few but the list would still be very long. As Cynthia always says, "Even if the book is not that great, we always have a wonderful discussion". And to this I say, she is so right!! If you would like to see the complete list from the past 7 years, you can find it on our website under the events and programming tab.

One book that always sticks in my mind is "The Sweetness of Forgetting" by Kristin Harmel. It is a book about a woman who runs a family bakery and recipes are included in the book. Margaret Douek, Cynthia and I baked all the recipes and served them at the meeting. That was so much fun! I sent the author photos of our sweet table and she replied with appreciation. We are still looking for another book like that.

At the end of the year, I ask people to send in suggestions for the following year. Usually, if you suggest a book, you are then asked to review it. Cynthia and I spend quite a bit of time reviewing your suggested books, trying as much as possible to have a variety of different books (I reiterate, we try!!). Every year, Cynthia asks the same thing: "Can't we have one lighthearted funny book!".

This year, we have 7 books on the roster; you can see the list and dates in the flyer. This year we will also go back to meeting in-person only. I really missed the ambiance of sitting around the table and having a discussion. If you would like to join us, email me at [programdirector@dorshei-emet.org](mailto:programdirector@dorshei-emet.org). We are always looking for new members. If you love to read, this is the club for you! No experience in bookclubs required. Everyone is welcome.

I would also like to introduce you to our new "Cinemates" film club. Dorothy Stober and I are working to bring to you an array of films, Israeli and/or Jewish themed. We will watch the movies together on a big screen, enjoy some popcorn and following the viewing we will have a discussion. Please save the dates in your calendar (see flyer) and we look forward to this new program added to our multitude of great programming at Dorshei Emet.



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 AND PROGRAM CALENDAR



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our siddur, by Norman Mailer: "There was that law of life, so cruel and so just, which demanded that one must grow or else pay more for remaining the same".

We have adapted to change, even to a pandemic, and we will continue to adapt to new challenges.

I learned a very valuable lesson as president back at the turn of this century – unlike writing a novel or baking a pie, managing a community institution can't be done by one person, or even a few people. I am inviting each of you to work with me to nurture this community which means so much to each of us.

I am confident that we will thrive, and we will do it together.

I wish you and yours a very healthy and happy Shanah Tovah, and hope to share many meaningful experiences with you at Dorshei Emet.



**CONGREGATION DORSHEI EMET**  
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SEPTEMBER

**JOIN DORSHEI EMET FOR**  
**APPLE PICKING**

**11 AM-1 PM**  
VERGER & CIDRERIE  
DENIS CHARBONNEAU

**All welcome! Registration required**  
**Pay at the orchard: Adults \$4, Kids free!**  
**\$25 per bag of apples**

Questions? Want to Carpool there?  
Contact: Ilana, Children and Youth Coordinator,  
youth@dorshei-emet.org



**BRING IN THE NEW YEAR!**

**COMMUNITY SHOFAR BLOWING**

JOIN RABBI BORIS TO HEAR THE SOUNDS OF THE SHOFAR AND CONNECT WITH THE COMMUNITY.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**  
**7:00 PM.**

**GIROUARD PARK, NDG**  
**MEETING PLACE:**  
**NEAR BUILDING & PLAYGROUND.**

**Registration Required:**  
**<https://tinyurl.com/shofar18>**  
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# FALL EVENTS @ DORSHEI EMET

## SEPTEMBER

- 5 Preparing your Heart with Rabbi Boris  
Zoom - 7:30 pm
- 6 Bookclub: The Nine Lives Of  
Charlotte Taylor - 1:00 pm
- 7 Shofar in the (Girouard) Park - 7:00 pm
- 10 Children Programming – Apple-picking - 11:00 am
- 28 Cinemates Film Club - 1:00 pm
- 29 Kabbalat Shabbat Mispacha:  
Sukkah Decorating - 4:30 pm
- 30 Guest Speaker: Don Nicholls - 10:00 am
- 30 Indigenous Chevruta Programming: Collective  
Right, Values and Culture - 2:00 pm

## OCTOBER

- 1 Indigenous Chevruta Program –  
"Joining the Adult Community" - 11 am
- 4 Bookclub: The Covenant Of Water - 1:00 pm
- 13 Jewish Journey Potluck - 6:30 pm
- 14 Family Shabbat - 10:30 am
- 19 Cinemates Film Club - 1:00 pm
- 20 Kabbalat Shabbat: We've Got Talent - 6:30 pm
- 27-29 DE Retreat

\* Dates are subject to change, and more events may be added. Please check our Weekly Announcements, Facebook page or Website for updates.



## NOVEMBER

- 3 Kabbalat Shabbat Around The World - 6:30 pm
- 8 Bookclub: Demon Copperhead - 1:00 pm
- 11 Family & Jewish Journey Shabbat - 10:30 am
- 16 Cinemates Film Club - 1:00 pm
- 25 Family Shabbat - 10:30 am
- 30 Donut Workshop - 7:00 pm

## DECEMBER

- 8 Chanukah Party & Kabbalat Shabbat - 6:15 pm
- 13 Bookclub: How The Penguin Saved Veronica - 1:00 pm



# KABBALAT SHABBAT

## WE'VE GOT TALENT

Kabbalat Shabbat Service  
& Potluck Dinner.

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Join us and show us  
your musical talent.

**OCTOBER 20  
6:30 PM**

Registration Required  
Details to Follow

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# Family Shabbat

5784

Mark your calendars!

JOIN US SATURDAYS AT 10:30AM  
FOR FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICES

FOLLOWED BY A FUN KIDS ACTIVITY

REGISTRATION REQUIRED  
LINK IN THE WEEKLY EMAIL EACH TUESDAY



For more info contact: Ilana Teitelman  
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Jan 20

Feb 3  
Feb 17

Apr 6

May 4  
May 25

Oct 14

Nov 11  
Nov 25

Dec 16



## Jewish Journeys @ Dorshei Emet

A Bar or Bat Mitzvah  
is more than just an event  
- it is a journey.



Dorshei Emet takes the B'nei Mitzvah process one step  
further with our **Jewish Journeys Program**.

Our interactive approach serves to foster Jewish identity and  
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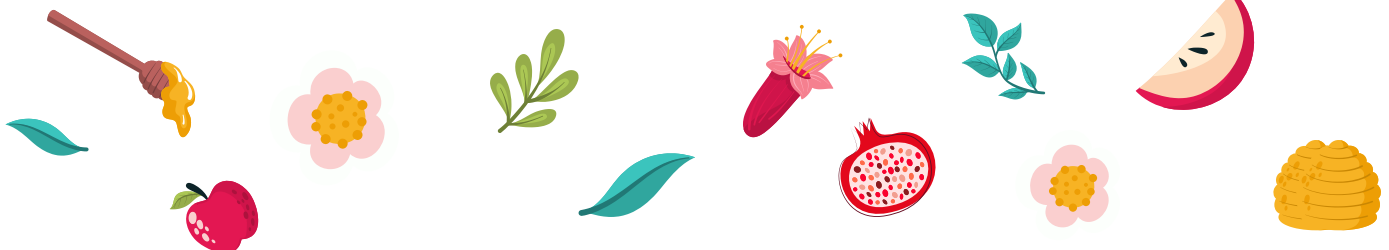
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Join us on November 3, 6:30 PM for

### KABBALAT SHABBAT AROUND THE WORLD

Kabbalat Shabbat Service  
Potluck Dinner  
Singing and Dancing



## CHANUKAH PARTY

Modern Day Maccabees

Friday, December 8, 6:15 PM

Kabbalat Shabbat,  
Chanukah Candle lighting  
Potluck Dinner  
Dress Up As Your Favorite Hero  
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## **ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES**

### **FALL 2023**

**Tell Me More**  
**Art Appreciation with Audrey Berner**  
 4 Weeks, Tuesdays @ 4:00 - 5:00 PM, Zoom  
 September 12, 19, 26, October 3  
 Members: \$40, Non-Members \$50

Over the last few years of courses in Art History and Architectural Design, often questions have come up that need more than a five-minute answer. This series will examine four of these questions, in apparent order: Why, and how, do so many artists choose to represent the legend of St George? Who designed and decorated Montreal's Metro system? Who is Banksy? and What is so special about prehistoric art?

### **Path to Judaism with Rabbi Boris**

**6 Weeks, Mondays @ 7:00 - 8:30 PM, In-Person**  
 October 16, 23, 30, November 6, 13, 20  
 Members: \$90, Non-Members \$120

Explore the basics of Jewish tradition and practice and the evolution of Judaism throughout the generations. The class is required for those interested in conversion, although it is also a great review for everyone and a great introduction to liberal Jewish values.

In this first session for the fall, we will be introduced to the most important core Jewish books and texts, explore the denominations of Judaism, discuss the "God idea" and theology, and the basics of Jewish ritual. While we will try to cover all of the class topics, the learning will be expansive, and class discussions may lead us wonderfully in different directions. All levels of learners should feel comfortable participating in the class: people in the process of conversion and also those who want a thorough review of core Jewish ideas. In the past, long-time Dorshei Emet members have enjoyed this exploration of Judaism as a wonderful "refresher course" to gain new insights into their Jewish identity and practice.

**Email: [programdirector@dorshei-emet.org](mailto:programdirector@dorshei-emet.org) to register**



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### Rosh Hashanah Services

Erev Rosh Hashanah: Friday, September 15, 6:30 PM

Rosh Hashanah Day 1 Services: Saturday, September 16, 9:00 AM

Rosh Hashanah Day 2 Alternative Services : Sunday, September 17, 9:00 AM

Day 1 & Day 2 Children Programming: 10:30 AM

Tashlich Gathering/Picnic: Sunday, September 17, 5:00 PM @ Pierre Elliott Trudeau Park, CSL

### Yom Kippur Services

Kol Nidre: Sunday, September 24, 6:30 PM

Yom Kippur Services: Monday, September 25, 9:00 AM

Children Programming: 10:30 AM

Musaf/Yizkor Services: 11:30 AM

Mincha/Neilah Services: 5:30 PM

Havdalah/ Break Fast: 7:33 PM

### Additional Holidays

Erev Sukkot: Friday, September 29

Sukkot Saturday, September 30, 10:00 AM

Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Services: Saturday, October 7, 10:00 AM

Simchat Torah Hakkafot: Saturday, October 7, 7:00 PM