



Beth Shalom Synagogue

A Welcoming Shul for All!

Bulletin

April 2024 / Adar II-Nissan, 5784

Beth Shalom Synagogue Bulletin www.edmontonbethshalom.org

Farewell Shabbat for Rabbi
Steven & Bettina Schwarzman

Saturday, April 27th

Please join us for a Farewell Shabbat as we celebrate and honour Rabbi Steven and Bettina Schwarzman as they leave Beth Shalom to make aliyah to Israel.

To make a contribution to a Special Kiddush, please contact the Beth Shalom office. Consider a donation to Leket (leket.org/en) in honour of the Schwarzman's."



Board Installation
Shabbat
Saturday, May 11th

Community Passover Seder

Tuesday, April 23 at 7:00 pm

\$50.00 per adult

RSVP

\$25:00 per child ages 6-12

required

Free per child ages 0-5

If you need financial assistance please contact Rabbi Steven Schwarzman at rabbi@edmontonbethshalom.org

Payments made by:

E-transfer to info@e-bethshalom.org

Credit card by calling

(780)488-6333x301

Paypal at

www.edmontonbethshslom.org

cheque made payable to:

Edmonton Beth Shalom Congregation

Prepayment

required

happy
PASSOVER



Passover Services

Sale of Chametz

Monday, April 22

Fast of First Born

Eat Hametz until 11:06 am

First Seder

Candle Lighting 8:32pm

Tuesday, April 23

Second Seder

Shacharit 9:30am

Candle Lighting 9:39pm

Wednesday, April 24

Second Day of Passover

Shacharit 9:30am

Holiday ends 9:42pm

Sunday, April 28

Seventh Day of Passover

Candle Lighting 8:42pm

Monday, April 29

Seventh Day of Passover

Shacharit 9:30am

Candle Lighting 9:52pm

Tuesday, April 30

Eighth Day of Passover /Yizkor

Shacharit 9:30am

Holidays ends 9:54 pm

Holiday Ends 9:54pm

Jews are prohibited from using or even possessing any chametz (leaven) during Pesach.

We clean our homes and, just to make sure, we also transfer ownership of any remaining chametz to a non-Jew for the duration of Pesach. This form authorizes the rabbi to sell your chametz for Pesach this year.

From noon on the day before Pesach (Monday, April 22, 2024) until 10 pm on the night after Pesach ends (Tuesday, April 30, 2024), the chametz will not belong to you, and you can't eat it.

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I hereby authorize Rabbi Steven Schwarzman of Beth Shalom Synagogue to sell all my chametz for the duration of Passover, wherever it may be: at home, place of business, car or elsewhere, in accordance with the requirements and provisions of Jewish law.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Please return to Beth Shalom Synagogue

by April 22, 2024, by mail, email or fax:

11916 Jasper Ave. , Edmonton, AB T5K 0N9

Fax: (780) 488-6259 E-mail: info@e-bethshalom.org

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CATERING

Beth Shalom caters life cycle events, private and all synagogue events.



Take Out Passover
Meals will be available!

The Beth Shalom philosophy is to provide high quality kosher food at reasonable costs

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|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Potato Knishes | Onion, Mushroom, or Cheese Kugels | Honey Cake |
| Assorted Soups | Potato or Mushroom Strudels | Apple Cake |
| Perogies | Assorted Cookies | Coffee Cake |
| Cabbage Rolls | | Kuffles |
| | | Kamish |
| | | Rollie Polly |

For more information please contact Helena at 780.4886333/301 or info@e-bethshalom.org

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Shabbat Services:

Shacharit 9:30 am

April 6	Shemeni
April 13	Tazria
April 20	Metzora
April 27	3rd Intermediate Day of Passover



Candle Lighting Time on Fridays:

April 5	8:01 pm
April 12	8:13 pm
April 19	8:26 pm
April 26	8:39 pm

Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech Ha Olam, Asher Kidshanu B'Mitzvotav Vitzevanu Lehadlik Ner Shel Shabbat. Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Who has sanctified us by Thy commandments, and has commanded us to kindle the Sabbath lights.

Weekday Morning Minyans:
Sunday at 9:00 am



Minyans on civic holidays are at the usual time.

<https://bit.ly/2yE4EyR>
Monday to Friday at 8:00 am

EMPTY CHAIRS, SIX MONTHS

COME TOGETHER TO PAY TRIBUTE AND STAND IN SOLIDARITY

Shabbat table for the hostages
Friday, April 5
Exhibit viewing 3:30 - 5 p.m.
Commemoration at 5 p.m.
Alberta Legislature Grounds
Violet King Henry Plaza, adjacent to the Visitors' Centre



Empty Table, Six Months Shabbat table for the hostages
Friday, April 5
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Commemoration 5 p.m.
Alberta Legislature Grounds, Violet King Henry Plaza, adjacent to the Visitors' Centre

To mark the six month anniversary of October 7, the Federation is organizing an installation of an empty Shabbat table that will reflect on the number of hostages who are still held captive in Gaza by Hamas.

This is a huge undertaking and we need volunteers to help set up the table. If you are interested, please email info@edjfed.org.

We ask that you take time out of your afternoon on Friday, April 5 to attend this important commemoration.

CASINO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Multiple positions available!

Beth Shalom's Casino will be held on July 9 & 10, 2024 at the Starlight Casino

For more information & sign in, please contact Casino Chairperson, Linda Goody at lindagoody@shaw.ca



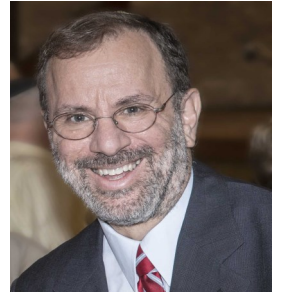
Join the conversation in our special Facebook group, open only to Beth Shalom members, at facebook.com/groups/BethShalomEdmonton



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A Message from your Rabbi, Steven Schwarzman



The Hebrew calendar starts with Nissan, the month of Pesach. (That's why Rosh Hashanah comes in what the Torah refers to as the seventh month, and as I've written previously, that's a nice metaphor for being able to correct our course in life halfway through.)

But why is Nissan the first month? That's when our ancestors left Egypt and set out for the land of their ancestors - a land that they themselves hadn't seen. They had only heard about it from their parents and grandparents, who heard about it from theirs. All they knew was the slavery of Egypt. The Exodus was the defining moment in the history of the Jewish people, so the Torah tells us that the month of Nissan would thereafter mark the beginning of the Hebrew calendar.

And if the Hebrew calendar starts with Nissan, then it ends with Adar, the month of Purim. So, on the Hebrew calendar it might make sense for Bettina and I to have timed our return to Israel after Purim.

But as it works out, we will be here in Edmonton for Pesach, and then set out to our new/old home in Jerusalem. Yes, at the seders this year - likely the last time we will ever do two of them - we will say *Next Year in Jerusalem*, but with renewed meaning this time. And then, with the gift that is the modern state of Israel, we will get on an airplane (or two) after Pesach and fly there. It is a dream that Jews were generally prevented from fulfilling for 2,000 years...and a dream that is strikingly easy to fulfill today. We will return to our homeland, and to the city that we have thought of as home since we met there.

Perhaps one day you will join us, and of course we'll also be delighted to see you when you visit.

We leave with warm feelings for the people of Beth Shalom and the Edmonton Jewish community and for the many non-Jews we have met who go out of their way to support the Jewish people in true friendship, especially in these dark times of war. We leave you knowing that there remains work to do here, and trust that others will do that work faithfully in their way and in their time as we have tried to do in ours. We made it through the pandemic as a community, and that is something we can all be proud of.

In the Mishnah's tractate Avot, Rabbi Yehoshua ben Perahia teaches: עשה לך רב, וקנה לך חבר

Appoint for yourself a rabbi, and acquire for yourself a friend.

I want to thank you for entrusting me with the pleasant work of being your rabbi and for allowing me to acquire your friendship, as you have mine.

Next year in Jerusalem, and may we all go from strength to strength!

Rabbi Steven Schwarzman

**The Board of Directors &
Congregation offer their deepest
condolences to the following
families:**

The family of Shamika Clyke, z"l.

May her memory be a blessing.

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A Message from your President, Steven Katz

Where do I begin? Where do I continue?

It seems it is my job to fill this space again, at least on a temporary basis. As I wrote this, I went back to my bulletin messages that I wrote 7+ years ago for some ideas and possibly inspiration; it feels like a long time ago, and at the same time, it was just yesterday. And so, like I did 8 years ago, let me begin with some thank you's.

I want to thank Michael Alpern for leading Beth Shalom as our president for the last 2 years and for a 3rd time overall! As any past president knows, this is a busy job, and you have to be a little crazy to do it more than once (irony noted). Michael took on the job two years ago because that's what Beth Shalom needed. In his 50 years at Beth Shalom, Michael has given everything he has to our shul. His dedication and passion are boundless. We owe him a debt of gratitude.

I also want to thank those who have recently concluded their time on the board. To Susan Baram, Ruth Ellen Shafir, Paul Polushin, Farrel Shadlyn and Alex Rabinovich – we thank you for the work and care you have shown Beth Shalom as a board member, and know you will continue to demonstrate as a member of our community.

I want to especially thank Laurence Abbott. Laurence's term as Immediate Past President ended with the recent AGM. No President of Beth Shalom had to deal with the challenges of a pandemic like he did. And yet, he persevered, leading our shul through one of the greatest challenges we hopefully will face. Thank you does not fully express our sincere gratitude for your diligence and dedication over the last many years.

This coming April 27th, we will have an opportunity to thank and honour Rabbi Steven and Bettina Schwarzman, as they conclude their time at Beth Shalom and anticipate making Aliyah to Israel. We will have more to say then; please join us on Shabbat that day to celebrate them and their contributions to Beth Shalom. In their honour, consider a donation to Leket (Israel's Food Bank), or helping to sponsor Kiddush that Shabbat.

In a few short weeks, Pesach will be upon us. Chag Pesach Sameach. May your Seder be meaningful and fulfilling.

There's lots more going on and much to share. I will do my best to fill this space with this important information in the months to come, so continue to stay tuned...

Dr. Steven Katz

Welcome!
ברוכים הבאים!

Welcome back to
the Zwaigenbaum Family



SHAREit

If you have a special occasion or accomplishment to share with the congregation please contact the office at 780-488-6333 ext. 301 or info@e-bethshalom.org

Mazal Tov to Danielle Dolgoy on being appointed as the new Executive Director of Jewish Family Service!

Mazel Tov Karen Oshry on being designated King's Counsel!

Mazel Tov Ron Sorokin on being designated King's Counsel!

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Purim at Beth Shalom

Thank you to Michelle Huberman & Gaylene Soifer for putting together a wonderful program for kids!



Updated schedule

DROP-IN GYM TIME

Open play time for families with young children



Two Sundays each month

9:30-11:30 a.m.

Talmud Torah School Gymnasium

\$54 per family for the entire season

Register at jewishedmonton.org

April 7 Shalom Baby

April 14 Shalom Baby

April 28 PJ Library*

*Additional PJ Library programming once a month as indicated



Come inside to play during the colder months and build community with other Jewish families during open playtime in the Talmud Torah gym. This is parent-supervised playtime with equipment for children ages infant-8 years old. Please bring your own vegetarian, nut-free snacks.

Dates indicated as PJ library will also have additional programming such as arts and crafts, story time and snacks. Parking and building entrance will be through the TT lot and security will be on site for the foreseeable future.

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TRIBUTE FUNDS

(Charitable tax receipts are sent out every year in February).

Todah Rabah, Mazal Tov, Get Well, Condolences	\$18.00
Yedlin Library	\$18.00 & up
Rabbi's Discretionary Fund	\$18.00 & up
Tree of Life	\$250.00
Sim Shalom Siddur Machzor/Lev Shalem Machzor	\$54.00
Etz Hayim Chumash	\$125.00
Building Improvement Fund	\$50.00 & multiples
Torah Restoration Fund	\$18.00 per letter/ \$36.00 per word

Torah Restoration Fund

A word have been inscribed in memory of Philip, Elisabeth, Eduard and Alexander

Hornemann

From: Henk Deinum

Ten letters have been inscribed in honour of Howie Sniderman for the many ways that he builds & enhances Jewish Community

From: Rabbi Susan Tendler & Ross Sadoff

A word have been inscribed in memory of Mel's father, Sam Wyne

From: Mel Wyne & Phyllis Nurgitz

Building Improvement Fund

To Ray Hoffman and family

On the loss of Murray

From: Sheila Shore

Condolences

To Erin & Stacey Wright & family on the loss of Erin's mother, Vicky Wright

From: Cantor David Mnanes & Sandra Ghitter Mannes

Howie & Debbie Sniderman

Murray & Marilyn Glick

Valda Levin

To Lena & Victor Linetsky & family on the loss of Lena's brother, Yefim Lederman

From: Sue & Allan Winestock

Happy Birthday!

Dan Rosenberg
Jeff Winterstein
Melanie Fainsinger
Gillian Horwitz
Nathan Campbell
Colleen Paull
Lara Fainsinger
Diane Marcovitch
Marlowe Collier
Lawrence Lyman
Samuel Bobroff
Taryn Horwitz
Danielle Dolgoy
Suzannah Fialkow

Sari Leung
Aliya Leung
Ethyn Leung
Steven Katz
Mathew Katz
Jaima Geller
David Mannes
Marla Miller
Marilyn Glick
Ellie Vogel
Ted Croll
Nora Lyman
Jeff Rubin
Rick Vogel
Debbi Joffe
Doug Kondor

Happy

Anniversary! Matthew Acosta & Janine Karasick-Acosta
Robin & Melanie Fainsinger
Goran & Mirsada Nevesinjac

Prayerbook Fund

A Sim Shalom Siddur has been dedicated in memory of Hoda's mother, Dora Jaffe

From: Hoda & Malcolm Cohen

Supporting our Kiddush Lunch Fund:



It is customary to help sponsor our Kiddush Lunch to honour the memory of loved ones at the time of their Yahrzeit or in honour of a special occasion. Donations to the Kiddush Lunch Fund can be made online on our website or by contacting the office at 780.488.6333 ext. 301.

Tax receipts are provided.

We are grateful for your ongoing

March 2- Kiddush Lunch. Thank you for the donation to the Kiddush Fund by Michael & Sylvia Alpern in memory of Michael's father, Harry Alpern.

March 16- Kiddush Lunch. Thank you for the donation to the Kiddush Fund by Karen Hering in honour of the Library Committee.

March 23 - Kiddush Lunch. Thank you for the donation to the Kiddush Fund by Laurence Abbott & family in memory of Laurence's grandmother, Mollie Abbott.

March 30 - Kiddush Lunch. Bat Mitzvah Kiddush Lunch is sponsored by Assir & Flora Melamed in honour of their granddaughter, Gwen Binning's Bat Mitzvah. Thank you for the donation to the Kiddush Fund by Stephen & Hannah Aaron in honour of the Library Committee.

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Beth Shalom M. Yedlin Memorial Library

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*"My pen is my harp and my lyre; my library
is my garden and my orchard."*

Yehuda Ha-Levi



*Our library is accessible to the entire community,
and beyond, during synagogue office hours:
Monday to Thursday between 9am & 4:30pm;
Fridays between 9am-2:30pm;
Closed Saturdays & Sundays.*

**Please consult Netta Phillet about the donating to the
library prior to bringing books to the library. Thank You!**

Edmonton's largest dedicated Jewish library is grateful for the ongoing support of the Beth Shalom Board of Directors, and the many community members who have donated books and money to expand and update our collection. Thanks as well to the wonderful crew of volunteers; we are nearing the end of the conversion project for the main collection. Next on the agenda will be Reference, Children's, Hebrew Fiction and DVD's.

Arrangements have been made to transfer the few remaining Yiddish books to the Yiddish Book Centre in Vancouver.

The library committee met in early March to move forward with the next phases, circulation and promotion.

Synagogue members are welcome to borrow books from the library with the assistance of Karen, Linda or Netta.

Additional shelves were added to the boardroom to hold our expanding collection.

RECENT ACQUISITIONS:

Graver, Elizabeth. Kantika: (2023) - a NYT 2023 Best Historical Novel and Notable Book of the Year; Winner of the National Jewish Book Award, the Edward Lewis Wallant Award; Named a Best Book of the Year by NPR, Lilith, and Libby

Ruttenberg, Danya - On repentance and repair: making amends in an unapologetic world. (2022) -Winner National Jewish Book Awards in Contemporary Jewish Life; Practice, 2022.

Safdie, Moshe. - If walls could speak: my life in architecture. (2022) - Winner of the Canadian Jewish Literary Award for Memoir/Biography; Shortlisted for the Architectural Book Award (Monographs)

Ponak, Matthew- Embodied Kabbalah: Jewish mysticism for all people. (2022)

Mead, Walter Russell - The arc of a covenant: the United States, Israel, and the fate of the Jewish people (2022) - A New York Times Best Book of the Year

Livingstone, Natalie - The women of Rothschild: the untold story of the world's most famous dynasty (2022)

Friedlander, Omer - The man who sold air in the holy land: stories. (2022) - Winner of the AJL Jewish Fiction Award; finalist for the Wingate prize.

Teller, Matthew - Nine quarters of Jerusalem: a new biography of the Old City (2022)

Rosner, Jennifer - Once we were home. (2023) - National Jewish Book Award Finalist.

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Horn, Dara - People love dead Jews: reports from a haunted present (2021) - Winner of the 2021 National Jewish Book Award for Con-tem-po-rary Jew-ish Life and Prac-tice; Finalist for the 2021 Kirkus Prize in Nonfictio; A New York Times Notable Book of the Year A Wall Street Journal, Chicago Public Library, Publishers Weekly, and Kirkus Reviews Best Book of the Year

Sebba, Anne - Ethel Rosenberg: an American tragedy (2022) - Booklist Editor's Choice: Adult Books (2021); Wingate Literary Prize (Shortlist – 2022)

Kaiser, Menachem - Plunder: A memoir of family property and Nazi treasure (2022) - Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature (Winner – 2022); Vine Awards for Canadian Jewish Literature (Biography – 2021)

We are always looking for volunteers willing to assist with the various tasks required in maintenance and providing a presence to assist patrons who visit the library. No experience is necessary. Contact Karen heringk@gmail.com or Netta nettaphillet@gmail.com for further information

Watch for announcements for the next book sale coming soon. The library is open and we want to hear from you. Please suggest titles for us to purchase, it is your library and we exist to serve you.

Library Committee: Karen Hering, Michelle Huberman & Netta Phillet

**Beth Shalom
Short Stories**



The Reading Club will meet on Thursday, April 4th@ 1:30 pm at the home of Penny Hardin, 875 Wheeler Road. The short story to be discussed is "Beautiful Souls" by Joan Leegant.

The link is below :

<https://coloradoreview.colostate.edu/features/beautiful-souls/>

If you like to read, and are curious about the short story genre, please join us. We are always happy to welcome new people. If you have any questions, or to RSVP, please email Penny at pennyhardin@shaw.ca

Gifts to RELLish Judaica Shop

**Judaica Shop Open:
Monday-Thursday
9:30am & 4:00pm;**



**Gift Registry
available
for
Weddings
& Bar/Bat
Mitzvahs**

**Passover Merchandise is 10% OFF
starting April 15th**



The costs associated with manufacturing **Yahrzeit Plaques** and maintaining the memorial boards in the sanctuary continue to climb. In turn, Edmonton Beth Shalom adjusts the fees we assess for the purchase of a yahrzeit plaque from time-to-time.

In 2022, we began inviting members who have purchased a yahrzeit plaque on our newest memorial board to make a \$180 donation to reserve one spot adjacent to the plaque just purchased, so that the only fees owing will be the cost for casting and shipping the additional plaque.

Going forward, in the interest of aligning the fee our office assesses for the purchase of yahrzeit plaques with the reservation fee introduced in 2022, Edmonton Beth Shalom will separate the fee assessed for the purchase of the plaques into two portions:

- The current cost of manufacturing each plaque – casting and shipping.
- A \$180.00 donation to Edmonton Beth Shalom Congregation to help offset the costs of maintaining the memorial boards in the sanctuary.

A charitable receipt will be issued for each portion of the fee.

Beth Shalom understands that some members may be unable to pay their annual dues in full.

No one will be denied membership at Beth Shalom by virtue of financial hardship, and anyone who seeks a reduction of membership dues, in whole or in part, is invited to make an application for a reduction with the Beth Shalom office at 780-488-6333 ext.301, or by email at: info@e-bethshalom.org.

All requests for fee adjustments are kept strictly confidential.

There is a 10% discount available to seniors, if needed.

Payment Method: Membership dues can be paid at one time or dues may be paid in installments. When membership dues are paid in installments, payment-in-full is required by July 1, unless other arrangements have been made.

You may pay your membership balance by Paypal on our website – www.edmontonbethshalom.org, by calling the office with your credit card information at 708-488-6333 ext. 301, by cheque made out to:

Edmonton Beth Shalom Congregation,
or in person in the synagogue office.

**BAR/BAT
MITZVAH**

To B'nai Mitzvah Parents: Please make sure we receive the article and photo of your child as soon as possible! This will help us to ensure their information is available in the appropriate monthly bulletin.

Thank You!

Beth Shalom 2024 Membership Dues

Family Membership with Jewish Education/Talmud Torah Discount

Any family with children enrolled in a Jewish education program at Talmud Torah - \$ 180.00

Two-Adult Family Membership

The either principal member is under 40 years of age - \$ 180.00

One-Adult Family Membership

The principal member is under 40 years of age-\$180.00

Single Adult Membership

The member is under 40 years of age - \$ 180.00

Student Membership

Full-time Student-\$ 180.00

Yahad (יחד) Jewish Community Support Group

We invite members of the Edmonton Jewish community to participate in a 2-hour, single-session community support group.

In this session, trained facilitators will provide a safe space for community members to come together and speak about their experiences being Jewish and/or Israeli as well as the impact of events in Israel on their lives here in Edmonton.

NEXT SESSION:
Sunday, April 7, 2024
1 PM - 3 PM

This session will be facilitated in Hebrew

To register: contact **Sarah Karesa**, Counselling Program Manager at Jewish Family Services

(780)454-1194 ext. 240 or sarahk@jfse.org



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NEXT SESSION:

Friday, April 5, 2024 from 1-3 PM

In-Person

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(780)454-1194 ext. 240 or sarahk@jfse.org



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From May 21 to May 30, we invite you to discover, connect, and engage with us, in person and virtually. Join the conversation, as we explore and reflect on stories, traditions, and history, from a wide and varied Jewish world.

This year, we offer four feature films in-person and four virtually. Our in-person films will be shown at two locations:

Metro Cinema Garneau Theatre (Tuesday, May 21 & Sunday, May 26)

Capitol Theatre in Fort Edmonton Park (Tuesday, May 28 & Thursday, May 30)

In addition to great films, we also have a few very special events for you. On Sunday, May 26 at 2 p.m., join us for our Fiddler on the Roof sing-along. Come in costume (if you like) watch the 1971 classic film, and sing-along. On Thursday, May 30, close the festival with us at our screening of Less Than Kosher, an offbeat all Canadian Jewish comedy. Writer/creators Shaina Silver-Baird and Michael Goldlist will be there for a Q and A after the film.

Tickets to in-person films are \$15. Tickets to online films are \$10. For \$80, you can buy an all-access pass. Tickets will be available soon. **Please note that online films are only available to Edmonton residents.**

EJFF Edmonton Jewish
Film Festival

Save the date | May 21 - 30, 2024



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Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM — 4:30 PM

Friday 9:00 AM—2:30 PM

Board of Directors 2022-2023

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Please contact Helena Khazanovsky for catering inquiries.

Accuracy of Information: We do our best to ensure the accuracy of all the information in the Bulletin, but despite our best efforts, sometimes an error appears. Please accept our sincere apologies for any errors. Please let us know so that we can correct them as soon as possible or update our records where necessary.

Important Kehila Reminders

Bikkur Cholim: If you would like to be contacted by Rabbi Schwarzman please contact him at 780.4886333/302 or rabbi@edmontonbethshalom.org

Scent Free Shul: Out of respect for your fellow congregants who may suffer from allergies, please reduce your use of scented products when you are in the synagogue.

Mishebeirah—prayer for the sick: If you would like us to include the name of someone who is not well during the Mishebeirach prayer, please either call 780.488-6333/301 or email info@e-bethshalom.org, with their Hebrew or English name/s. Traditionally we include the person's Hebrew name(s) and their mother's Hebrew name(s), for example, "Moshe ben D'vorah" or "D'vorah bat Miriam" (ben or bat means son or daughter of). If, however, you do not have a Hebrew name for this person or they are not Jewish then an English name will do. If a name on the list should no longer be listed, can you kindly let us know so we can remove the individual from our list?

Due to the Canadian privacy of information laws we require that congregants get permission from the ill person(s) to have their name(s) read aloud from the Bimah on Shabbat.



Security at Beth Shalom

Want to help keep our synagogue secure?

We're looking for volunteers to greet and screen people at the door for all of our in-person Shabbat and holiday services. Your job will be to recognize the regulars and talk to anyone you don't personally know, to make sure they should be allowed to come into the synagogue. Together with our paid security, you will help make Beth Shalom more secure.

For more information, please contact Rabbi Schwarzman at rabbi@edmontonbethshalom.org or Seth Glick at Seth@glickandglick.com.

Todah Raba to our Publishing Volunteers

Thank you to Sharon Abbott & Ruth-Ellen Shafir for editing our Beth Shalom Publications.

Thank You!

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