

Friday April 16

11-3PM Shabbat and Challah Pick Up

Come to Sinai for a socially-distanced and safe pick up of your pre-ordered Shabbat dinners and *challot* (Hebrew for more than one challah!).

6-7:30PM Welcome to the Zoomathon and Erev Shabbat Services*

After a welcome to the Zoomathon Weekend as we kick off our 27 hours of programming together, we'll come together in prayer for Shabbat services led by Rabbi Rheins, Rabbi Callman and Dan Yolles.

7:30-8PM Oneg and Shmooze

Bring your dinner, a glass of wine, maybe a little something sweet as we join other members of our Temple Sinai community for a virtual oneg. We will coordinate everyone into smaller rooms within Zoom so that you can socialize just as you would around our oneg table in the foyer!

8-8:30PM Campfire Song Session*

Brynn Tully and Carly Coons, two all-around superstars who grew up at Temple Sinai, will lead us in an opportunity to sing our campfire favorites with a mix of nostalgic oldies and current hits. Appropriate for all ages!

8:30-9PM Lilah Tov Meditation*

Dan Yolles will guide us in a soothing Shabbat evening meditation as we say "*lilah tov* - goodnight" to our first day of the Zoomathon.

Saturday April 17

9-10:30AM Shabbat Morning Minyan*

Rabbi Jordy Callman will lead our Saturday morning minyan, an opportunity to come together in prayer and hear the words of our weekly Torah portion.

10:30AM-12PM Torah Study*

Whether you're a regular attendee or have never been, please feel free to join Rabbis Ray Zwerin and Steve Kaye in their weekly Torah study, a fan-favorite Sinai program!

12-1PM Humans of Tel Aviv: The Social Fabric of Tel Aviv

With a monthly reach of 500,000 people on social media (including tens of thousands from the Arab world), Humans of Tel Aviv offers a glimpse into the daily lives of total strangers in Tel Aviv. The project shows the complexity and extraordinary range of Tel Aviv, so viewers can better understand what makes this city tick! Each arresting image & story offers a fascinating window into this cosmopolitan city where tradition meets innovation, and the past and present blend in a sizzling melting pot. In the project, you can find the stories of many amazing Israelis who make Tel Aviv one of the best cities in the whole world.

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1-2PM Cooking Class with Rabbi Jordy*

We're back in the kitchen with our computers for another cooking class! Join Rabbi Jordy to bake the most delicious tahini blondies with a tahini maple drizzle. Ingredients and supplies can be found at bottom of this schedule.

2-3:30PM Guided Painting with Sipping and Painting +

Join us for an afternoon of guided painting! We will be painting this beautiful depiction of the Tree of Life! Whether this is your first time picking up a paint brush or your soul is driven by art, this is the program for you!

3:30-4:30 Dr. Max Frieder: Artolution

Raised at Temple Sinai (Rabbi Zwerin officiated his bar mitzvah) and the son of Rondi and David Frieder, Dr. Max Frieder is the Executive Director and Co-Founder of the international community-based public arts organization Artolution. Artolution began a decade ago with two nomadic artists, circling the globe to promote positive social change through one-off projects in crisis-affected locations; in places that few people would dare to travel on their own. They brought together groups of people who never knew that they could exist in the same room; only to discover their shared traditions and hopes for the future created the capacity to feel hope together. By 2019, Artolution established five year-round, sustainable regional programs; accredited 68 local artists; and impacted more than 6,000 youth annually. Dr. Max Frieder will offer insight to his incredible work and the impact art can make.

4:30-5:30PM Photographing Holocaust Survivors: A Presentation by KAVOD

KAVOD was founded in November 2015 by John and Amy Israel Pregulman with the mission of providing emergency aid to Holocaust Survivors in need regardless of where they live in the US. John Pregulman has been photographing Holocaust survivors since 2012 and has done 1174 photos so far across the world. John and Amy will be joining us on Zoom to talk about the journey that brought them from doing photos to founders of KAVOD. They will also show us what the organization does to aid Holocaust survivors living in the United States, so that they may live out their lives with dignity and honor.

5:30-6:30PM A Challenge to Change with Jason Romero

Denver native Jason Romero, best known for being the 1st and only blind person to run across America (and his run still ranks as one of the top 10 fastest foot crossings in history at 51.5 miles per day!) will offer an inspirational session based on his experiences. Jason is an expert on Success & Resilience, who travels the world educating companies and classrooms about how they can achieve their dreams. He is an author, the subject of a full-length documentary film, a former attorney and CEO. The BBC, Today Show, Forbes, Runnersworld and NPR are just some of the media outlets that have reported on his accomplishments. Jason has been a national marathon champion, a Paralympian on Team USA, holds 16 world records in extreme endurance sports, is an IronMan triathlete, and an extreme endurance runner having completed some of the toughest ultramarathons in the world.

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6:30-7:30PM Stories on Stage

Join us for this theatrical presentation of "How Can I Help?" written by Rivka Galchen and performed by Gabra Zackman about an over-zealous manager of a call service center who struggles to "fix" her feckless younger sister's life in this funny and poignant story about two siblings who simply can't help but drive each other nuts

7:30-8:30PM HEADLINER: Leah and Grant Hamilton*

Leah Hamilton has been singing with the Temple Sinai choir for over 20 years. She actually joined the choir to help out in the Alto section when her father (former choir director Mike Weiker) needed an extra voice. She instantly felt like she had found a wonderful choir family and has been singing with them ever since. Two years ago Grant Hamilton joined the choir as a bass and the mother and son duo had the amazing opportunity to sing together this past year for the High Holidays. They are looking forward to singing together again and will be singing a variety of musical numbers from Opera to Broadway.

8:30-9PM Havdallah and Lilah Tov*

Join Rabbi Jordy, Leah and Grant Hamilton for a special havdallah as we say goodbye to Shabbat and our first full day of Zoomathon.

Sunday April 18

9-10AM Sinai Sundays*

This year's Sinai Sundays class will focus on some of the most important stories in the Babylonian Talmud known as *Aggadot*. The *Aggadot* are classic and beloved narrative passages in the Talmud that have taught, entertained, and challenged generations. Each week, we will read and discuss different stories along with selections of traditional commentary. It does not matter if you already have a familiarity with Talmudic text or are exploring it for the first time. Everyone will find this class an exciting and inspiring experience.

10-10:30AM Family Service*

Rabbi Jordy and Dan Yolles will lead one of our favorite prayer opportunities of the week – Sunday morning family service! Whether you are a religious school family or not, join us as we come together to sing, to pray and to ask questions about our world.

10:30-11:30AM Destination: Space Exploration

Space is an incredible place! Let's dive into the world of space exploration with Jewish aerospace engineer (AKA rocket scientist!) Ariel Sanberg of the Lincoln Library, by investigating the ambitious missions that launched this past year including Perseverance and OSIRIS-REx. You will get a behind-the-scenes look at how we design and test robotic and crewed missions to explore every planet in our solar system. We'll discuss SpaceX missions as well as payloads being created at Lincoln Laboratory and how we build items for the brutal environment of space. Questions will be fielded during the presentation, so curious minds can get answers from a scientist in real time!

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11:30AM-12:00PM Book Reading with Sudden Fiction*

Zoom in for an interactive book reading with Sudden Fiction Books. Sudden Fiction Books is a locally owned bookstore located in downtown Castle Rock. The interactive book reading will feature Gina McReynolds, Sudden Fiction Books co-owner and Ryan Bocchino, JCC Ranch Camp Director.

12-12:05 Zoomathon Update

Join Rabbi Jordy and Lisa for a Zoom-a-Thon check in including schedule updates, programming not to miss and where we are with our fundraising goals.

12:05-1PM Newsflash! How News Has Changed: A Panel with Journalists

Journalism and reporting the news has changed so much in recent years. News anchors and reporters Tom Mustin and our very own Susan Witkin (Tandler) will share with us how these changes have unfolded and what their roles in our society look like today. Tom Mustin is a multi-Emmy award winning news anchor and reporter. A familiar face to Denver television audiences, Tom has been a go to journalist for both CBS4 and Denver7. His live coverage anchoring the Democratic National Convention highlighted his team's Emmy award winning entry for "Best Newscast." Susan Witkin is a KOA NewsRadio Anchor and Reporter who has been in the radio business since college in 1979 and has won multiple state and national awards for her news stories and hourly newscasts.

1-2PM Sinai's Got Talent

Join us for an hour of music performed by some of Temple Sinai's young, talented musicians!

2-3PM Tour of the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam, Netherlands

Anne Frank's life and words continue to have powerful meaning for young people around the world. This webinar offers a virtual tour of the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam as an example of an online resource that can be used to prepare students to read and comprehend The Diary of a Young Girl within the larger historical framework of the Holocaust. Led by educators from the Anne Frank House, this webinar will leave time for Q&A.

3-4PM Jews of Netflix

With the rise of streaming services and the range of stories being told through digital media, how are Jews being portrayed? If your awareness of Jewish life and Judaism was driven by Netflix content, what might you think? Join Rabbi Jordy Callman as we explore the ways that Jews and Jewish communities are being depicted in modern television and film.

4-4:30PM What's in the Building? with Rabbi Zwerin*

If walls could talk... There are incredible Jewish ritual items and symbols tucked in every corner of Temple Sinai. Come along with Rabbi Zwerin for a virtual stroll through the building as we tell the stories of these Sinai walls and what lies within them!

4:30-5:30PM Trivia

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What has 6 letters and means “a really good time”? Trivia! Join Lisa Thorner and Dan Yolles for a family-friendly trivia competition complete with prizes for the winning team!

5:30-6PM A Bagel and Shmear: The Story of Rosenberg’s Bagels and Delicatessen

What differentiates Rosenberg’s from other bagel shops is its process, which marries age-old techniques with a proprietary technology that replicates New York City’s water and its ideal mineral levels. This results in the perfect bagel – crispy on the outside and chewy on the inside – delicious on its own and the perfect canvas for a simple shmear or an elaborate sandwich. Joshua Pollack, owner of Bridge & Tunnel Restaurant Group, the parent company of Rosenberg’s Bagels and Delicatessen will join us for a conversation about the Jewish foods and flavors that inspired him to bring the classic New York deli experience that he grew up on out to Denver.

6-7:15 Movie Time: Outremont and the Hasidim

Join us for a private Temple Sinai-only showing of the award-winning documentary “Outremont and the Hasidim.” Traditionally the home of Quebec’s elite, the Montreal neighborhood of Outremont is also home to 7,000 Hasidim. For years, tensions have been building between the Hasidic residents and their non-Jewish neighbors. Filmmaker and Montreal native Eric Scott presents a candid and provocative perspective of the conflict, and of the inspiring efforts being made on both sides, amongst residents and local leaders alike, to work past their grievances and arrive at a place of tolerance and understanding.

7:15-8:05PM HEADLINER: The Stone Brothers*

Adam and Todd Stone are an instantly likeable duo with a bright (mutual) future. Adam and Todd Stone were born in New York City. It was in college where the brothers discovered that their personal chemistry translated to hilarious onstage chemistry. The Stone twins have performed in many of the most prestigious comedy clubs in the U.S., including Carolines on Broadway, Gotham Comedy Club, The Laugh Factory, New York Friars’ Club, Stand-Up NY and the Upright Citizens Brigade Theatre. The Stones are both members of the New York Friars’ Club. In February 2008, judges Steve Schirripa and Richard Belzer selected Stone and Stone to advance to the Last Comic Standing, Season 6, semi-finals in Las Vegas. The Stones have made numerous comedic short videos featured on the web. They also starred as principals in a national Verizon FiOS commercial.

8:05-8:15PM Zoomathon Wrap up

We’ll end how we began, back together with Lisa Thorner and Rabbi Jordy Callman for a recap of the weekend and an update on our fundraising success!

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Ingredients and Supplies for Tahini Blondies

Blondies:

Butter (or oil)

Flour

Baking powder

Cardamom

Salt

Pepper

Sesame seeds (4 tablespoons total - can use all white sesame seeds or a mix of white and black)

Brown sugar

Eggs (2)

Vanilla

Tahini (can buy at a regular grocery store although we highly recommend Trader Joe's brand! be sure to buy plain/pure tahini and not a tahini product that has other ingredients added)

Tahini drizzle:

Tahini

Maple syrup (the real stuff!)

Powdered sugar

Supplies:

8 inch square pan (if you don't have one this size, we can make other sizes work!)

Parchment paper

Mixing bowls

Whisk