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"The world is changing ever faster. In a single generation, nowadays, there is more scientific and technological advance than in all previous centuries since human beings first set foot on earth. In uncharted territory, you need a compass. That's what Judaism is. It guided our ancestors through good times and bad. It gave them identity, security, and a sense of direction. It enabled them to cope with circumstances more varied than any other people have ever known. It lifted them, often, to heights of greatness. Why? Because Judaism is about learning. Education counts for more in the long run than wealth or power or privilege. Those who know, grow."

Rabbi Sacks zt"l

LETTERS TO THE NEXT GENERATION: REFLECTIONS FOR YOM KIPPUR
FORMER LSJS PRESIDENT, PRINCIPAL, LECTURER AND STUDENT

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Spring term at LSJS takes place against the backdrop of the book of Shemot. We chart the building of a nation as it leaves Egypt, crosses the desert, receives the Torah and builds the Mishkan (Tabernacle). This Mishkan is the work of the entire community, each with their own contribution. At the very end of Shemot, once all parts were in place, we are told that "the glory of God filled the Mishkan". Whilst the handiwork was entirely human-made, remarkably it became a resting place for God.

We now present you with our offering for the new term. It is packed with courses, events and tours which will inspire, educate and stimulate conversation. It has taken a number of wonderful people to bring this to you and I thank them for their energy and creativity. And I thank you for being part of this community. May God elevate what we have built together.

At LSJS our mission is to raise the bar for Jewish education and both train and showcase excellent teachers. We train, develop and support teachers for our schools and communities and lead the way in innovative Jewish education. On 26 February we are holding a special free event, "Solomon on Trial", which is part of our annual fundraiser. Student fees across all LSJS courses and programmes cover less than 40% of our income, so we are reliant on the generosity of our supporters. Do join us on 26 February, in-person or online, and enjoy LSJS learning at its best as well as supporting the vital work that we do.

I look forward to learning with you soon.



Michael Rainsbury

Head of Adult Education, LSJS

מָה אֶהְבֶּתִי תּוֹרַתְךָ כָּל הַיּוֹם הִיא שִׁחְתִּי

"How I love your Torah; all day it is my conversation"

— Psalms 119:97

Torah is described in various places in Sefer Tehillim, the book of Psalms, as being 'perfect', 'true' and 'God's'. Yet it is also supposed to be 'my conversation'. Jews are called on to bring heaven and earth closer together, bringing eternal values into mundane actions, and drawing from timeless wisdom into our daily conversations.

This Spring, we invite you in to LSJS, on campus and online, to enrich your conversation through learning. This term we're talking about Rabbi Ovadia Sforno and James Joyce, King Solomon and Maureen Kendler, Psalms and Kaddish, the Queens of Britain and the rational choice to live a Jewish life— and stay tuned for more events to be announced soon.

We are particularly proud of our three women's learning courses, one starting this term entitled 'Mitzvot and Meaning'. LSJS is at the forefront of women's Torah scholarship in the community, with basic and advanced learners all welcome.

So, flick through this brochure, tell a friend and you'll be sure to be talking about what you've learned for a long time to come. Looking forward to our next conversation!

This term's teachers...



**Rabbi Dr Harvey
Belovski**

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Rabbi of Golders Green Synagogue, senior rabbinic advisor at LSJS, and rabbinic head of Jewish Chaplaincy. He studied at Oxford University and received his PhD from UoL. He is an author and regular contributor on BBC radio.



**Dr Harris
Bor**

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LSJS Research Fellow, and a barrister specialising in international arbitration and commercial litigation. He holds a PhD in Theology from Cambridge University, is a rabbinic scholar with the Montefiore Endowment, and has been a visiting scholar at Harvard University and UCL.



**Rebbetzin
Dr Hadassah
Fromson**

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Community Rebbetzin of Golders Green Synagogue and currently qualifying as a Yoetzet Halacha. She holds a doctorate in Counselling Psychology from University of London and maintains a private practice focusing on work with couples, families and young adults.



**Dr Aviva
Dautch**

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Executive Director of Jewish Renaissance arts magazine. An award-winning poet, she is the Chair of Judges for the Wingate Prize. She contributes to programmes for the British Library, the British Museum and BBC Radio 4.



**Rabbi Joseph
Dweck**

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Senior Rabbi of the S&P Sephardi Community of the UK and Deputy President of LSJS. He served as Rabbi of Congregation Shaare Shalom in New York and was Headteacher of Barkai Yeshivah Day School in Brooklyn.



**Simon
Goulden**

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Educational and management consultant, writer and international lecturer. He received an MA in Jewish Education from LSJS. He has authored, edited and consulted on books about Jewish prayer, history and Israel.



**Joanne
Greenaway**

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Chief Executive of LSJS. Worked as an International Arbitration lawyer and for the London Beth Din in Get refusal cases. A graduate of Cambridge University, she is currently studying at Ohr Torah Stone's International Halakha Scholars Program.



**Rabbanit Leah
Herzog**

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Educator, writer, psychologist, tour guide and instructional coach. She chaired the Tanach Department at Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School in New Jersey. Since making Aliyah, she teaches in Matan and various midrashot in Israel.



**Professor David
Latchman**

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Vice-Chancellor and Professor of Genetics at Birkbeck University of London. He is the Chairman and Trustee of the Maurice Wohl Charitable Foundation and was appointed a CBE for services to Higher Education.



**Rabbi Professor
Sam
Lebens**

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Associate Professor in the philosophy department at the University of Haifa and founding chair of the Association for the Philosophy of Judaism. Popular educator and author of four books.



**Rebbetzin
Lauren
Levin**

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Yoetzet Halacha (Woman Advisor in Jewish Law) and Rebbetzin at South Hampstead Synagogue. She is a graduate of the Nishmat Centre for Advanced Torah Study for Women in Jerusalem.



**Dr Helena
Miller**

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Director of Degrees and Teacher Training programmes; Senior Research Fellow at LSJS. She initiated and leads the Jewish Lives longitudinal research study of Jewish families in the UK. In 2012 she received the Max Fisher Prize for outstanding contribution to Jewish Education in the Diaspora.



**Rabbanit Surale
Rosen**

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Founder of Matan Women's online Halakhic Responsa project, 'Shayla', and a certified Rabbinical Arbitrator. She is a graduate of Matan's 5 year Halakha programme and Advanced Gemarah Institute. She teaches Midrash, Talmud and Halacha widely and headed Metivta - Matan's advanced Gemara track.



**Rabbi Michael
Pollak**

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Head of the Philosophy department at JFS, lecturer and educational consultant, and Daf Yomi teacher. He is a graduate of the Hevron Yeshiva and studied Philosophy at LSE.



**Michelle
Sint**

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Studied English, American and Hebrew Literature (BA) and Jewish Studies (MA). A graduate of the LSJS Susi Bradfield Women Educators' Fellowships, she teaches and tour guides at LSJS and teaches the Matan Bat Mitzvah course.



**Rabbi Johnny
Solomon**

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Teaches Halacha and Jewish Thought at Matan and Midreshet Lindenbaum, edits Jewish books for Mosaica Press, and provides online spiritual and halachic guidance as the Virtual Rabbi. He served as head of Jewish Studies at Immanuel College and Hasmonean Girls' School.

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**Rabbi Gideon
Sylvester**

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The British United Synagogue's rabbi in Israel. He is writing his doctorate at Bar Ilan University, teaches gap year students and secular Israelis following their army service. He guides Jewish heritage trips to Poland.



**Dr David
Stone**

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Retired cardiologist and Medical Director at Papworth Hospital, Cambridge. He studied at Kings College, completing an MA in Literature and Medicine and a PhD on James Joyce's engagement with Jewish life and the Jewish religion.



**Rabbi
Dr Raphael
Zarum**

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Dean of LSJS and the Rabbi Sacks Chair of Modern Jewish Thought, established by the Zandan family. He has a PhD in Physics from KCL and a MA in Education from UCL. He studied at Yeshivat HaKotel in Jerusalem and the Kollel of the Judith Lady Montefiore College in London where he received rabbinic ordination. He is a rabbinic leader, lecturer and author with a passion for teaching traditional Jewish texts and innovative educational programming.



**Adam
Taub**

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Co-founder of Etgar, an inter-school Jewish learning competition for 10 year olds. He has been a teacher at the Florence Melton Adult Mini-School and is an active communal leader and educator.



**Dr Lindsey
Taylor-
Guthartz**

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Post-doctoral researcher at Manchester University and an LSJS Research Fellow. She has lectured at Cambridge University, KCL and SOAS. Lindsey is an author, has a PhD from UCL and completed the Advanced Kollel at Yeshivat Maharat.



EVENTS

Witness a biblical courtroom drama,
consider the case for Orthodox Judaism
in a rational world and more.

What Power Does Public Prayer Hold?

Unexpected lessons from Kaddish

ANNUAL LECTURE FROM THE RABBI SACKS CHAIR OF MODERN JEWISH THOUGHT, ESTABLISHED BY THE ZANDAN FAMILY

with Rabbi Dr Raphael Zarum

Meaningful regular prayer is a challenge for many modern Jews, but an in-depth study of the Kaddish can be surprisingly helpful.

In this free lecture you will find out how a short, post-Talmudic, mostly Aramaic text came to be inserted into all our daily services, and why some versions of the Kaddish are said by mourners and others by the chazan. The Kaddish points to a more mature relationship with God that can transform your experience of Jewish prayer.

Rabbi Zarum's insights are the result of his recent completion of a year of mourning for his father, Ariele Zarum. The lecture is dedicated to his memory.

לזכר נשמת

אבי מורי אריה בן משה ואורה צארום

 **Monday 30 January**
8–9:30pm

Free: Booking essential
In-person and online

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Book Launch: A Guide for the Jewish Undecided

Rabbi Prof. Sam Lebens discusses his new book with S&P Sephardi Senior Rabbi Joseph Dweck

Is there reason to believe? Can we be objective about living Jewishly when we have been born into it? Is Jewish practice compatible with modern sensibilities?

Rabbi Prof. Lebens' groundbreaking new book addresses these questions and more, as he articulates a humane, outward-looking, and nuanced vision of Orthodox Judaism in the 21st Century.

In this enlightening interview with two erudite teachers, cutting-edge philosophy, science, decision theory and Jewish tradition will be weaved together to respond to the undecided Jew.

 **Sunday 5 February**
8–9:30pm

Book available to buy at discounted rates.
£12 (£10 before 30 January)

In-person and online

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Solomon on Trial

A royal courtroom drama

Presiding judge:
Rabbi Harvey Belovski

Lawyers including:
Dr Harris Bor
Adam Gersch and
Rachel Marcus

Was he Israel's greatest king or a misguided monarch who foolishly misused his God-given wisdom? Should King Solomon's epitaph be that he honoured God by building the first Temple in Jerusalem or that his wealth and many wives turned him to idolatry and mistreatment of his subjects?

Once again, we have gathered great legal minds to debate this historic case. With eloquence, insight and wit, our barristers will draw on arguments culled from traditional sources and contemporary cases. Peppered with some very special guests, this courtroom drama will deepen our understanding of one of our most memorable biblical kings.

This event is part of LSJS's annual fundraising campaign. To find out more how you can be involved, please contact karen.brosh@lsjs.ac.uk.

 **Sunday 26 February**
7:30–9pm

Free: Booking essential
In-person and online

What Maureen Taught Us

Marking the fifth yahrzeit of
Maureen Kendler

With Dr Helena Miller,
Adam Taub, Dr Lindsey
Taylor-Guthartz and
Rabbi Dr Raphael Zarum

Maureen Kendler z"l was an inspiring Jewish educator, writer and broadcaster who believed passionately in the power of lifelong learning. She taught at LSJS for over a decade and was much loved by her students and colleagues.

In this special evening, four popular LSJS lecturers and colleagues of Maureen will share some of her teachings and what she meant to them. The Kendler family will be represented and we will hear from them too. Two books of Maureen's teachings will also be available to buy.

A donation from the evening's proceeds will be made to the Maureen Kendler Education Trust. The trust provides bursaries to encourage Jewish women to undertake advanced Jewish studies, following Maureen's example.

 **Tuesday 28 February**
8–9:30pm

£12 (£10 before 21 February)
In-person and online

נשיר למעלה
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COURSES

From in-depth Tanach to Jewish literature, and from Jewish history to the meaning of mitzvot, find a course that will spark your imagination.

Covenant & Continuity

Sefer Shemot, The Book of Exodus

"The Book of Exodus is the West's meta-narrative of hope...If we are to build a society with a human face, we must always choose the way of Exodus, with its message of hope and human dignity." RABBI SACKS, COVENANT AND CONVERSATION, EXODUS

Join hundreds of people from around the world for our weekly exploration into the ideas of Rabbi Sacks on the weekly Torah portion. With expert teachers developing and applying his thoughts further, this course is truly building Rabbi Sacks' legacy, one parasha at a time.

Wednesdays 7–7:45pm

- 11.1 Shemot**
Rabbi Johnny Solomon
Encountering Angels
- 18.1 Va'eira**
Rabbi Gideon Sylvester
Was the Exodus Based on a Lie?
- 25.1 Bo**
Rebbetzin Lauren Levin
Approaching Evil

- 1.2 Beshallach**
Rabbi Johnny Solomon
Don't Look Back!
- 8.2 Yitro**
Rebbetzin Lauren Levin
When We Became a Nation
- 15.2 Mishpatim**
Rabbi Gideon Sylvester
Are There Many Legitimate Jewish Paths to God?
- 22.2 Terumah**
Rabbi Johnny Solomon
Building Our Home
- 1.3 Tetzaveh**
Rebbetzin Lauren Levin
Oil and Anonymity
- 8.3 Ki Tisa**
Rabbi Gideon Sylvester
"Jews Don't Count" or Do They?
- 15.3 Vayakhel-Pekudei**
Joanne Greenaway
Building a Team

Free but booking is essential
Online only

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Modern Jewish Literature

with **Dr Aviva Dautch**

In memory of **Maureen Kendler z"l**

For all literature lovers to meet and share insights. Dealing with a book of Jewish interest each week, fiction and non-fiction, we discuss extracts, characters and theories, thinking about "how to read" as well as "what we read".

Mondays 10:30am–12:30pm

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- 16.1** *Come to this Court and Cry*
by Linda Kinstler
 - 23.1** *Landscapes of Silence*
by Hugh Brody
 - 30.1** *Café Shira* by David Erlich
 - 6.2** *The Man Who Sold Air in the Holy Land*
by Omer Friedlander (Part I)
 - 13.2** Friedlander (Part II)
 - 27.2** *Canine Pioneer: The Extraordinary Life of Rudolphina Menzel*
by Susan Martha Kahn
 - 6.3** *Purim Special: Love and War in The Jewish Quarter*
by Dora Levy Mossanen
 - 13.3** *Saving Freud*
by Andrew Nagorski
 - 20.3** *Once We Were Slaves* (Part I)
by Laura Arnold Liebman
 - 27.3** Liebman (Part II)
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£110 (£100 before 9 January)

Per session: £12 | **Online only**

Renaissance Torah

The world of the Sforno

with **Michelle Sint**

Against the backdrop of the Spanish Expulsion and the Italian Renaissance, Rabbi Ovadia Sforno emerges as a pre-eminent Torah commentator and leader. His unique perspective on Torah is based on a reverence for the plain meaning of the text, and a calling to answer the questions posed by humanist thought.

As you delve into the world of Sforno, you may be surprised to find that it is Sforno who is speaking directly to us in our world too.

Mondays 8–9:15pm

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- 16.1** A new voice emerges in Renaissance Italy
 - 23.1** Sforno vs Rashi: What causes Sforno to comment?
 - 30.1** Man and God: Sforno's relationship with the divine
 - 6.2** Sforno on life's important questions
 - 13.2** Sforno's psychological insights
 - 27.2** Case study of Sforno's writings: The Exodus
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£68 (£60 before 9 January)

Per session: £12 | **Online only**

Her Majesty and the Jews

with **Simon Goulden**

In total, Jews in England, overtly or in secret, have been ruled by Queens for more than two hundred years. But what were the relations between these Queens and the Jews? Were they close to them, indifferent to them or in need of them? Join us to explore the links between England's and Britain's Queens and their loyal Jewish subjects.

The course will be led by historian and guide Simon Goulden and feature an interview with Professor David Latchman about his unique Judaica and memorabilia collection pertaining to Anglo Jewish history.

Wednesdays 8–9:15pm

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- 18.1** From secret Jews to the Glorious Revolution
 - 25.1** From the Queen Vic to the Elizabeth Line
 - 1.2** Interview and discussion with Prof. David Latchman
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£34 (£30 before 11 January)

Per session: £12

Online only

Can Psalms Save Us?

Seven startling Tehillim in-depth

with **Rabbi Dr Raphael Zarum**

*"What gain would there be if I died?
Can dust thank you? O Lord, be my help"*

Following the success of his "Desperately Seeking Psalms" course, Rabbi Dr Zarum returns to the most passionate of biblical books to unpack seven more psalms which regularly appear in Jewish prayer. The course analyses language and poetry, rhythm and resonances, to uncover each psalm's story, its meaning for today, and to open our hearts to God.

 **Tuesdays 1–2:30pm or
Tuesdays 8–9:30pm** online only

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- 31.1** Psalm 30: Saved from the pit
 - 7.2** Psalm 6: Dazed and confused
 - 14.2** Psalm 20: Gimme, gimme
 - 21.2** Psalm 95: Shabbes is coming
 - 28.2** Psalm 120: Hate and lies*
 - 14.3** Psalm 149: Chasidim to war
 - 21.3** Psalm 114: Images of Exodus
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£80 (£70 before 24 January)

Per session: £12

*The evening class for this week will take place on 1.3. Please note no class on 7.3 due to Purim.

Five Books That Changed Orthodoxy

with Rabbi Michael Pollak

Has Orthodoxy always been the same, or has it undergone radical transformations? If five students had not written these five books based on their masters' teachings, the Jewish world would be in a very different place. Each of the works we will study heralded a new paradigm in Jewish tradition and thought, despite being relatively obscure. In this course we will unpack these books and shed light on radical ideas that shaped the Orthodox world.

Wednesdays 8–9:15pm

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- 8.2** *Nefesh HaChaim*: How power transferred from community rabbis to intellectual elites
 - 15.2** *Ohr Yisrael*: Bringing psychology into Orthodoxy
 - 22.2** *Toldot Ya'akov Yosef*: The notion of chassidic leadership
 - 8.3** *Birkat Shmuel*: The triumph of intellectualism in Orthodoxy
 - 15.3** *Etz Chaim*: The acceptance of kabbalistic and scientific explanations of the universe
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£56 (£50 before 1 February)
Per session: £12 | **Online only**

James Joyce's Judaism

with Dr David Stone

Ulysses is generally regarded as one of the greatest novels of the 20th century – and it has a Jewish hero, Leopold Bloom. Why did Joyce choose the Jews? Was Bloom really Jewish? And was Joyce antisemitic?

In this course we will explore Joyce's engagement with Judaism, analyse his sources and ask how much he really knew about Jewish religion and practice, as reflected in his major works and his notebooks.

This course will be suitable for those that have read some or all of his works, and those that have yet to do so.

Mondays 8–9:15pm

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- 13.3** Overview: Leopold Bloom the Jew
 - 20.3** Jewish observances and festivals in Joyce's works
 - 27.3** Joyce's knowledge and use of Jewish texts and rabbinic methodologies
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£34 (£30 before 6 March)
Per session: £12

Online only

Kashrut B'Iyun

Advanced, text-based course for women

with Rabbanit Surale Rosen

This course is for women who are seeking to learn Gemara and halacha at a high level, understanding how ideas and laws develop through the sources. Building on last term's foundations, we will be continuing our in-depth learning of Hilchot Kashrut.

With Rabbanit Rosen's carefully crafted methodology and expert teaching, this course is an opportunity to take your Torah learning to new levels of detail and depth.

Textual skills required for this course. We recommend 2 hours of chavruta preparation with support available.

 **Mondays 7–9pm**

Dates: 9 January–27 March;
No class on 6 March.

Free, thanks to generous sponsors.
Donations welcome via our website.

To register interest and request an interview, email lsjsadmin@lsjs.ac.uk. Limited spaces available.

In-person and online
This course is for women only

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Mitzvot & Meaning

Analysing the text and meaning behind the mitzvot

**with Rebbetzin
Dr Hadassah Fromson**

Mitzvot are at the essence of what it means to be a Jew. Keep them, and reap God's reward. But how do we know when the Torah is giving us a mitzvah? And how does that apply today? In this new text-based course, you'll travel on a journey through the ages, seeing how the Torah's text was interpreted and applied in the Mishna, Gemara, commentaries, and finally the Sefer HaChinuch, which collates all the mitzvot.

This course is ideal for women with limited time and maximal aspiration for Torah learning. With Rebbetzin Dr Fromson's structured and refreshing approach to text study, this class will suit beginners and more advanced learners alike.

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 **Wednesdays 8–9:30pm**

Dates: 22 February–29 March;
No class on 15 March.

£56 (£50 before 1 February)
Per session: £12

In-person only
This course is for women only

To Build a Nation

**Interactive, advanced,
text-based learning for
women**

with Rabbanit Leah Herzog

Building a nation is not an easy task, especially when it has only known an existence of slavery. Sefer Shemot is about more than just the Exodus – it is the journey of how the family of Israel become the nation of Israel.

Using close textual analysis and traditional commentaries, we will examine this journey. What is the role of faith, morality and law in our identity? What are the paradigms of leadership that emerge? How influential were outsiders in shaping the nascent nation? What purpose does the Mishkan serve?

To gain the most from this course we suggest an hour's preparation using source sheets provided in advance. Chevruta time is available before either on zoom or at the LSJS campus.

Mondays 10:30am–12pm

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| 9.1 | Shemot: Birth of a nation, birth of a leader |
| 16.1 | Va'eira: What is the point of a miracle? |
| 23.1 | Bo: Personal choice and divine plans |
| 30.1 | Beshallah: Lessons through challenge |
| 6.2 | Yitro: Models of leadership, human and divine |
| 20.2 | Terumah: What does giving do for me? |
| 27.2 | Tetzaveh: Clothing makes the man |
| 6.3 | Ki Tisa: What went wrong? |
| 13.3 | Introduction to Sefer Vayikra: Sacrifice requires intention |
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£100 (£90 before 5 January)

Per session: £12

Online only

This course is for women only



TOURS

Explore fresh angles to biblical stories while walking through two of the world's premier museums.

National Gallery Tour

with Dr Lindsey
Taylor-Guthartz

Join us for a fascinating tour of the splendid National Gallery, studying pictures of biblical stories to discover how they compare to, and contrast with, the Hebrew text. Along the way we'll marvel at Belshazzar's headwear, admire Elijah's fervour, and question Rubens' ideas of Israelite dress customs in the desert. We'll uncover some of the troubling messages hidden beneath the surface of Western depictions of the Bible. Can art serve as a Jewish way of looking at the Bible? Or is a word worth a thousand pictures?

You can enjoy this tour in person at the National Gallery in London or from the comfort of your own home, where you'll virtually walk through the museum online. Whichever way you come, you'll come away with fresh insights into the worlds of Torah and art.

This unique tour was created by Dr Lindsey Taylor-Guthartz with the late **Maureen Kendler z"l**, to whose memory we are dedicating this tour, marking the fifth *yahrzeit* since her passing.

Thursday 26 January
8–9:30pm **Online tour**

 Sunday 29 January
10am–1pm
In-person tour, limited spaces

£22 (£18 before 19 January)

Exodus Tour of the British Museum

with Rabbi Dr Raphael Zarum

Who was the Pharaoh of the Haggadah? What was the geopolitical situation at the time? This new tour from a master guide reveals the monumental battle between God and ancient Egypt. The battle of Kadesh, Nebamun's tomb and startling hieroglyphs are just some of the museum's incredible artefacts that can transform your Seder night experience this year.

Founded in 1753, the British Museum is probably the greatest of its kind in the world. It houses countless treasures, many of which illuminate the biblical era. Our specially designed audio equipment will ensure that you do not miss a word while getting up-close to objects on display in this unique, unmissable tour.

"When I come back, we'll discuss the difference between migration and exodus." Dr Jones in Indiana Jones and the Crystal Skull (2008)

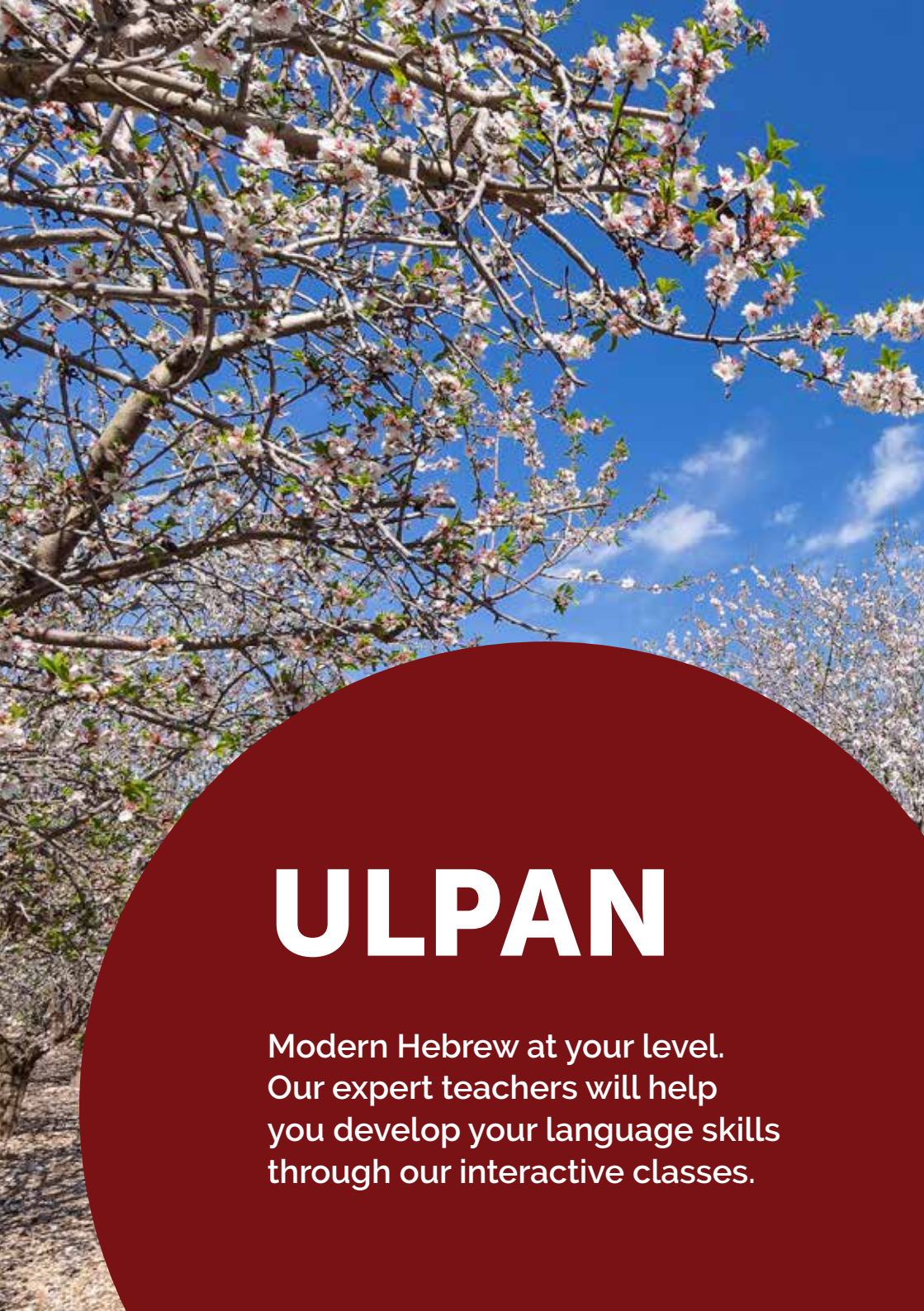
 Sunday 19 March

10am–12:45pm

or 2–4:45pm

£22 (£18 before 13 March)

In-person tour, limited spaces



ULPAN

Modern Hebrew at your level.
Our expert teachers will help
you develop your language skills
through our interactive classes.

The LSJS Ulpan

Modern Hebrew at the level that's right for you

Whether you are a beginner or want to improve your skills, our expert teachers will guide you in small classes, at your level. Lessons are interactive and include a mixture of written and spoken activities, debates, reading newspapers and watching video clips. To register, please be in touch with Liat at liat@lsjs.ac.uk who will assess your level and suggest an appropriate class.

We have 12 different levels at the LSJS Ulpan, from Beginners, Aleph classes focusing on the past tense, Bet classes focusing on the future tense, Gimmel classes and an advanced Speakers group.

SUNDAY

Starting 8 Jan

10am–12pm

 **Bet 3** with Liat

Online only

MONDAY

Starting 9 Jan

10am–12pm

 **Bet 3** with Daphna

In-person only

1:30–3:30pm

Bet 1 with Daphna

Online only

7–9pm

 **Aleph 1** with Rina

In-person only

Note: Classes will run subject to sufficient numbers.

TUESDAY

Starting 10 Jan

10am–12pm

 **Bet 1** with Rina

In-person only

Bet 3 with Daphna

Online only

 **Advanced Gimmel** with Liat

In-person & online

7:30–9:30pm

Aleph 3 with Liat

Online only

8–10pm

 **Gimmel** with Rina

In-person only

WEDNESDAY

Starting 11 Jan

10am–12pm

 **Bet 4** with Daphna

In-person only

 **Speakers** with Liat

In-person & online

6:30–8:30pm

 **Beginners** with Rina

In-person only

One year course
(37 weeks)

Year long price: £450

Early Bird: £400 before 1 January 23

Contact the LSJS office for termly payment options or if you would like to join after the course start date.





Dates for your diary...

Mon 9 Jan	To Build a Nation Course begins
Mon 9 Jan	Kashrut B'lyun Course begins
Wed 11 Jan	Covenant & Continuity Course begins
Mon 16 Jan	Modern Jewish Literature Course begins
Mon 16 Jan	Renaissance Torah Course begins
Wed 18 Jan	Her Majesty and the Jews Course begins
Mon 23 Jan	1st Shevat – Rosh Chodesh
Thurs 26 Jan	National Gallery Online Tour
Sun 29 Jan	National Gallery In Person Tour
Mon 30 Jan	What Power does Public Prayer Hold? Special event
Tue 31 Jan	Can Psalms Save Us? Course begins
Sun 5 Feb	A Guide for the Jewish Undecided Special event
Mon 6 Feb	Tu B'Shevat
Wed 8 Feb	Five Books that Changed Orthodoxy Course begins
Wed 22 Feb	1st Adar – Rosh Chodesh
Wed 22 Feb	Mitzvot & Meaning Course begins
Sun 26 Feb	Solomon on Trial Special event
Tue 28 Feb	What Maureen Taught Us Special event
Tue 7 Mar	Purim
Mon 13 Mar	James Joyce's Judaism Course begins
Sun 19 Mar	Exodus Tour of the British Museum In Person Tour
Thurs 23 Mar	1st Nisan – Rosh Chodesh
Sun 26 Mar	Super Seder Day – details to be announced
Wed 5 Apr	Seder Night

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