

The 8th Annual Conference
of the
Society for Sephardic Studies

Sephardic Identity and Material Culture

6th-8th November 2018

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall (bldg. 71)
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Marcus Family Campus, Beer-Sheva



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for Ladino Culture

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November 6th



09:15 - 10:00

Registration

Session I: Inauguration

10:00 - 10:15 Opening Remarks

Eliezer Papo, President of the Society

Tamar Alexander, Member of the Executive Committee

10:15 - 11:00 Keynote Speaker

Shalom Sabar, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Sarajevo Haggadah – History and Art

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break

Session II: A Token For a Word

Chairperson: Itzhak Ben-Mordechay

11:30 - 12:00

Peter Sh. Lehnardt, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Evolution of the Sephardic Prayer Book - Some Material Aspects of the Development of Liturgy

12:00 - 12:30

Narmina Abdulaev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
"He looks like a real person!": Nasreddin (Juha) Statues as a Part of Collective Memory

12:30- 13:00

Tamar Alexander, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Ring – A Living Sephardic Tradition of a Marriage to a She-demon

13:00 - 15:00 Lunch

Session III: Keynote Speaker

Chairperson: Tamar Alexander

15:00 - 15:45

Nenad Makuljević, University of Belgrade
Dress Culture as a Transcultural Aspect of Sephardic Visual Identity in the Balkans (19th-20th Century)

15:45 – 16:15 Coffee Break



Promotion/Excursion

16:15 - 18:00

For Hebrew speakers:

Promotion of the new issue of *El Prezente* (Senate Building)

For the program of the event see the included flyer.

For those who do not speak Hebrew:

Optional Guided Excursion to the Ottoman Old City of Beer-Sheva with David Perez (the bus will leave at 16:00).

The XIV Annual Assembly of the Associates of the Gaon Center for Ladino Culture

18:00 - 18:30

Gathering

18:30 - 19:00

2018 Gaon Prizes Award Ceremony

19:00 - 19:30

Ceremony of Bestowing the Order Kavalero del Ladino al nombre del Don Yitzhak Navon

19:30 - 20:00

Concert of Balkan Music

For a detailed program of the event, please see the included flyer.



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Session IV: Tombs and Testaments

Chairperson: Ricardo Muñoz Solla

09:00 - 09:30

José Alberto R. S. Tavim, University of Lisbon
The Desire of the Dying

09:30 - 10:00

Svetlana Smolčić Makuljević, Metropolitan University
From Private Piety to Public Memory: Old Jewish Cemeteries in Macedonia

10:00 - 10:30

Yaron Ben-Naeh, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Material Culture of Ottoman Jews as Reflected in Their Wills

10:30 - 11:00

Michael Studemund-Halévy, University of Potsdam
The Creation of a Prosopographical Database for the Sephardic Atlantic

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break

Session V: Ceremonial Objects

Chairperson: Peter Sh. Lehnardt

11:30 - 12:00

Gila Hadar, University of Haifa
Ceremonia de circuncisión, texto y objeto

12:00 - 12:30

Nadia Zeldes, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Jewish Clothing and Jewelry in Fifteenth Century Sicily: Between Islamic Traditions, Restrictive Laws, and Contemporary Fashions

12:30 - 13:00

Eliezer Papo, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The Long Way of the Sephardic Tallet from a Banner of Virtual Sepharad to the Official Flag of the State of Israel

13:00 - 13:30

Haviva Pedaya, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
A Seal Within a Seal - Holy Within the Mundane in the Lives of Portuguese 'Anusim'

13:30 - 15:00 Lunch

Session VI: Looking at Documents

Chairperson: Nenad Makuljević

15:00 - 15:30

Susy Gruss, Bar-Ilan University

El archivo personal de Perahiá – producto de la conciencia documentaria de los sefardíes

15:30 - 16:00

Ricardo Muñoz Solla, University of Salamanca

Algunas notas sobre Abraham S. Yahuda y el legado material hispanojudío

16:00 - 16:30

Nimrod M. Gaatone, Bar-Ilan University

Twilight Time: the Story of the Sephardim and the Chocolate in the Southwest of France in the 18th -19th Centuries

16:30 - 17:00 Coffee Break

Session VII: Objects of Communal Identities

Chairperson: Yaron Ben-Naeh

17:00-17:30

David M. Bunis, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Jewish Calendar Cycle as Portrayed in Judezmo and Other Balkan-Language Calendars of the Ottoman Empire and its Successors

17:30-18:00

Alex Kerner, University of Haifa

The Gabbay's Manual: Translation, Transliteration, and London's Spanish and Portuguese Congregation in the Long Eighteenth Century as a Linguistic Community

18:00 - 18:30

Sara Offenberg, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
Disarming the Knights: On Arms and Weapons in Some Illustrated Haggadot from 14th Century Spain

18:30 - 19:00

Annual Assembly of the Members of the Society

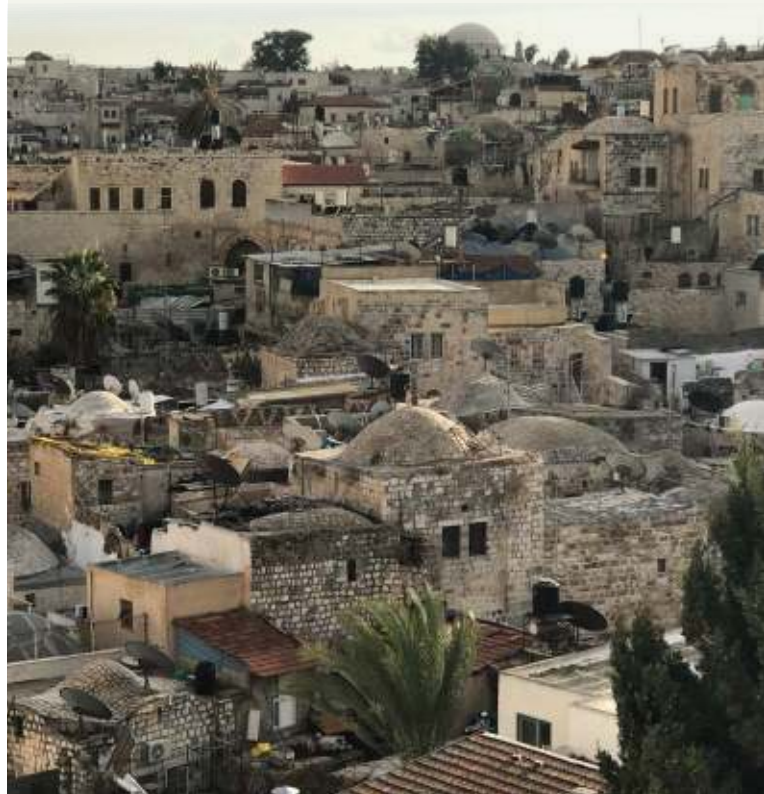
November 8th

Geule Sefarad Asher bi(Y)rushalayim



Guided Excursion to the Old City of Jerusalem and its Sephardic Institutions and Monuments

Organized transportation from Ben-Gurion University of the Negev to Jerusalem. The bus will leave the Campus at 09:00.





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