

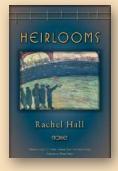
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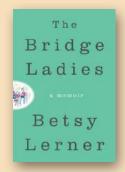
## JEWISHBOOKFESTIVAL

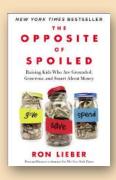


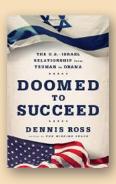
November 6 - 20, 2016

## 15 new Authors at the JCC!









#### SOME INFORMATION about the FESTIVAL

TICKET INFORMATION: Advance purchase of tickets is encouraged.

Walk-In: JCC Main Desk By Phone: 585-461-2000

By Mail: JCC Jewish Book Festival, 1200 Edgewood Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618

Online: rjbf.org (A convenience fee will apply.) Online sales end one hour before each event.

WALK-INS DAY OF EVENT: Walk-in tickets may be available 30 minutes prior to the event.

We strongly encourage you to purchase tickets in advance.

STUDENT DISCOUNTS: \$1 off with valid student ID. (Applies to advance ticket sales only.

No discounts for walk-ins.)

#### GENERAL INFORMATION:

FOOD: All foods served at the Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival are in strict observance of the laws of

kashrut.

**SEATING:** Seating is general admission except for Book Festival donors, who have reserved seating. Reserved seating is held until 15 minutes prior to the event, and is not guaranteed for late arrivals.

**REFUNDS:** Refunds may be available for canceled or rescheduled programs only. Due to circumstances

beyond our control, speakers may be canceled or rescheduled without prior notice.

**ACCESSIBILITY:** All Festival venues are handicapped accessible.

QUESTIONS: For additional information, please call 585-461-2000, ext. 237 or visit ribf.org.

#### DONOR OPPORTUNITES:

Ticket sales alone do not support the Festival. Please consider becoming a Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival supporter. Contact Lori Harter at 585-461-2000, ext. 237 or lharter@jccrochester.org for more information.

#### LANE DWORKIN JEWISH BOOK FESTIVAL MISSION

The Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival exists to create a showcase for Jewish authors and/or books of Jewish content. In so doing, the Festival promotes awareness, appreciation, and pride in the diversity of the Jewish people; strengthens community consciousness of Jewish identity, history, and culture; and provides a community forum to stimulate dynamic and provocative dialogue.

#### WITH FOND MEMORIES OF SHELDON A. LANE

The Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival is presented in memory of Sheldon A. Lane. His vision for the Jewish Book Festival continues through the support of his loving family.

#### 2016 BOOK FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

JCC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Arnie Sohinki
JCC PRESIDENT Richard Gray

**FESTIVAL DIRECTOR** Lori Michlin Harter **ARTS ADMIN, ASSISTANT** Marc Cataldi

**FESTIVAL CO-CHAIRS** Ronny Frishman & Sharon Kovalsky

**FESTIVAL COMMITTEE** (\*Past Chair)

Valerie Alhart, Barbara Appelbaum, Maxine Bittker, Judy Blaustein, Ellen Comisar\*, William Donahue, David Dworkin\*, Wendy Lane Dworkin\*, Stacey Freed, Rachel Hall, Mona Friedman Kolko, Caroline Korn, Barbara Lane\*, Steven Levitsky, Barbara Mendler, Joy Ryen Plotnik, Karen Zivan\*



#### An Exciting Year Ahead!

The 24th annual JCC Lane Dworkin Jewish Book Festival promises an eclectic array of programs and other book-related cultural events starting this fall and continuing through spring.

This year we bring an outstanding selection of authors; some you may know, others we hope you will get to know. Their topics are varied: politics, Israel, parenting,

religion, family relationships, memoir, boxing, historical fiction, wellness and, of course, food (we are a Jewish book festival, after all). The books of featured authors will be available at the JCC Main Desk as well as before and after each event.

Please join us to celebrate the power and beauty of the written word.

Ronny Frishman Co-Chair

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Lori Harter Director

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Dr. Sarah Liebschutz
Dr. Gerald and Maxine Rosen
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#### **NEW THIS YEAR!**

Books by our featured authors will be available in advance at the JCC Main Desk as well as before and after each event!

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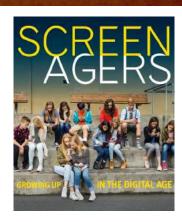
Book sales benefit the JCC Lane Dworkin Rochester Jewish Book Festival

#### **FILM - TEENS AND TECH**

Wednesday, November 2, 7pm **FILM SCREENING:** 

#### Screenagers: Growing Up In The Digital Age

How worried should parents be about the amount of time their children spend looking at screens? How much should parents police that screen time? That's what filmmaker and physician Delaney Ruston set out to learn in this documentary. Through personal stories and insights from psychologists and brain scientists, *Screenagers* reveals how tech time impacts childrens' development and offers solutions on how to empower kids to best navigate the digital world and help them find balance.



#### **FREE** admission

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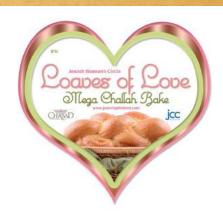
#### **CHALLAH & COMMUNITY**

Thursday, November 3, 7:15pm (doors open at 6:30pm)

#### LOAVES OF LOVE III

#### A Multi-Generational Mega Challah Bake

This epic event is back by popular demand! Join over 360 women and girls from across the Jewish community to knead, braid, connect, and be inspired at an evening to remember.



Register online at jccrochester.org or at jewishpittsford.com. For more information, contact Joy Getnick at 461-2000, ext. 239 or jgetnick@jccrochester.org, or Rishi Hein at rishi@jewishpittsford.com.

\$18 per person

A partner program with Pittsford Chabad

Presented by Jewish Life at the JCC

#### PHOTO EXHIBIT OPENING & RECEPTION

## Sunday, November 6, 10am-1pm MICHAEL KALNITZ

#### Impressions of Israel

The photography in this exhibit includes urban and rural landscapes throughout Israel. A unique approach was used in photographing the mosaic tile work in Caesarea.



Michael has been involved in the visual arts for over 40 years, and has held numerous exhibitions of painting, drawing, and photography. He has also worked on commercials for television and feature films, as a production designer, art director, and special effects coordinator. Michael lives and maintains an art studio in Rochester.

**FREE admission** 

#### **OPENING NIGHT & DESSERT RECEPTION**

## Sunday, November 6, 7pm **DENNIS ROSS**

#### Doomed to Succeed: The U.S.-Israel Relationship from Truman to Obama

When it comes to Israel, U.S. policy has always emphasized the unbreakable bond between the two countries and our ironclad commitment to Israel's security. Dennis Ross has helped shape U.S. policy toward the Middle East, and Israel specifically, for nearly 30 years. *Doomed to Succeed* takes us through every administration from Truman to Obama. Ross points

every administration from Truman to Obama. Ross points out how distancing the U.S. from Israel has never yielded any benefits and why that lesson has never been learned. Ross offers compelling advice for understanding the priorities of Arab leaders and how future administrations might best shape U.S. policy in that light.

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#### **COMMUNITY READ & LUNCH**

## Monday, November 7, 12pm IESSICA FECHTOR

Stir: My Broken Brain and the Meals that Brought Me Home

After nearly dying from an aneurysm in her brain,
Jessica Fechtor's journey to recovery began in the
kitchen. There, she drew strength from the restorative
power of cooking and baking. Written with
intelligence, humor, and warmth, *Stir* is a heartfelt
examination of what it means to nourish and be
nourished. Woven throughout the narrative are 27 recipes for dishes

that comfort and delight., and are sure to inspire and send you straight to the kitchen.

Be part of the discussion early! A great choice for book groups and others looking for a story that will nourish the heart and soul. Books are available at the JCC.



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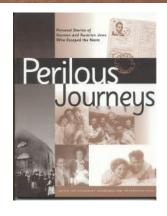


#### KRISTALLNACHT REFLECTIONS

Wednesday, November 9, 7pm
PERILOUS JOURNEYS
AFTER KRISTALLNACHT

#### **Authors Reflect on Local Survivor Stories**

This commemoration of the 1938 Kristallnacht pogrom features reflections and discussion on why survivors' experiences still matter by a panel of current and former Democrat & Chronicle journalists who contributed to the anthology Perilous Journeys: Personal Stories of German and



Austrian Jews Who Escaped the Nazis. Most of these survivors are gone, but their voices are heard in the *Perilous Journeys* web book. After the Yom Hashoah observance next spring, all local survivor testimonies will be made available on the internet.

Panelists: Doug Mandelaro, Mark Hare, Patti Singer, Michael Wentzel Moderated by Ronny Frishman. Reception to follow.

Sponsored by the **Center for Holocaust Awareness and Information (CHAI)** and **JCC's Rochester Holocaust Survivors Committee** 



#### **BEER, BOOKS & BOXING**

## Thursday, November 10, 6pm MIKE SILVER Stars in the Ring

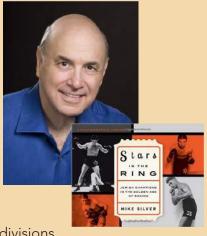
For more than 60 years—from the 1890s to the 1950s—boxing was an integral part of American popular culture and a major spectator sport rivaling baseball. More Jewish athletes have competed as boxers than in all other professional sports combined. From 1901 to 1939,



29 Jewish boxers were recognized as world champions and more than 160 Jewish boxers ranked among the top contenders in their respective weight divisions.

Stars in the Ring, by renowned boxing historian Mike Silver, presents this vibrant social history in the first illustrated encyclopedia of Jewish champions during the golden age of boxing.

Open bar and appetizers beforehand. Craft beers and spirits provided by local breweries.



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#### **EXPERIENCE THE MUSIC - SPECIAL CONCERT**

#### Saturday, November 12, 7:30pm CONCERT WITH RABBI AVI KILIMNICK

#### Celebrating his new album, Hadran

A motzei Shabbat concert featuring classic favorites and new original music by Rabbi Avi Kilimnick. Join us as we celebrate Rabbi Kilimnick's new album, *Hadran*, and conclude Shabbat together as a community.

Great for kids, families, and adults! *Hadran* is available at the JCC Main Desk for \$15 and on iTunes.



For more information, contact Joy Getnick at 461-2000, ext. 239 or jgetnick@jccrochester.org.

\$5 before Nov. 8 \$8 at the door Children 5 and under are free!

Presented by Jewish Life at the JCC

#### **FAITH & FAMILY**

#### Tuesday, November 15, 7pm SHULEM DEEN

This moving memoir excels in explaining one man's

#### All Who Go Do Not Return

harrowing battle against faith. Shulem Deen is the creator of *Unpious*, an online journal for "voices on the Hasidic fringe." In telling his tale, Deen understands the importance of playing devil's advocate and thinking carefully about what others believe. Only someone who has been expelled from a community could recount so vividly and viscerally the sort of pain that comes with this type of substantial loss, and Deen loses more than you might think. *All Who Go Do Not Return* is intended not only for Jewish readers, but for all who long to be accepted or who have felt lost.

2015 National Jewish Book Award Winner: Myra H. Kraft Memorial Award for Contemporary Jewish Life and Practice

Underwritten by Ellen and David Comisar

#### **PARENTING & FINANCE**

## Wednesday, November 16, 7pm RON LIEBER

The Opposite of Spoiled: Raising Kids Who Are Grounded, Generous, and Smart about Money

Children have scores of questions about money that we often do not answer or answer well. Lieber delivers dozens of smart, practical tips for turning conversations about money into lessons about living. New York Times

financial columnist and best-selling author

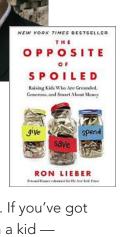


Ron Lieber provides a practical guidebook for parents who want to use conversations with children

about money to imprint good values. If you've got kids, want kids — or heck, have been a kid — read this book.

Free sitter service available!

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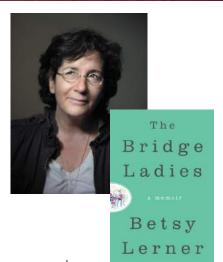


#### **MEMOIR**

## Thursday, November 17, 7pm **BETSY LERNER**

#### The Bridge Ladies

After a lifetime defining herself in contrast to her mother's "don't ask, don't tell" generation, Betsy Lerner finds herself back in her childhood home. After her mother's surgery, it falls to Lerner to take care of her. She expected a week of tense civility; what she got instead were the *Bridge Ladies*. Impressed by their loyalty, she saw something her generation lacked.



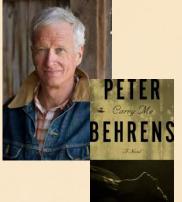
A 50-year-old Bridge game provides an unexpected way to cross the generational divide between mother and daughter. Lerner takes us on a powerfully personal literary journey, where we learn a little about Bridge and a lot about life.

Underwitten by Mona Friedman Kolko

#### FICTION PANEL LUNCHEON

#### Friday, November 18, 12pm; JCC Auditorium

Moderated by Ellen Comisar



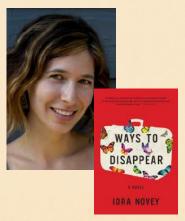
#### PETER BEHRENS Carry Me

Intriguing characters braid this intricate and harrowing story together, from golden Edwardian summers to London under Zeppelin attack, Ireland on the brink of its War of Independence, and Germany collapsing into the Hitler era. As a society loses its civic and moral bearings, a childhood friendship deepens into a love affair with extraordinarily high stakes. Brilliantly conceived and elegantly written, Carry Me is an epic for grown-ups.



#### **AFFINITY KONAR Mischling**

This gripping novel explores the world of the children who were the subjects of Nazi doctor Josef Mengele's horrifying experiments at Auschwitz. Stasha and Pearl, 12-year-old Jewish sisters from Poland, are placed in Mengele's "zoo" because they are twins, rather than being sent to the gas chambers. Mengele selects one of the sisters to torture and uses the other as a control in his experiment. Affinity Konar makes every sentence count. The girls never come across as simply victims: rather, they are flawed, memorable characters trying to stay alive.



#### **IDRA NOVEY** Ways to Disappear

Deep in gambling debt, the celebrated Brazilian writer Beatriz Yagoda is last seen holding a suitcase and a cigar and climbing into an almond tree. She abruptly vanishes. Her American translator Emma hears the news and flies immediately to Brazil. There, Emma conspires to solve the mystery of Yagoda's curious disappearance. Idra Novey's exhilarating debut is both a novel of ideas and a novel of intrigue, an innovative combination of mystery, noir, and humor.

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#### **BAGELS & BOOKS - ROCHESTER'S OWN**



## Sunday, November 20, 10am RACHEL HALL Heirlooms

Set in France, Palestine and America, between 1939 and 1989, Heirlooms follows the Latours, a French Jewish family as they sidestep the Nazis and their Vichy counterparts. Good luck and instincts work in their favor, but they are not exempt from tragedy, which strikes when the end of the war is in clear sight. Reeling from their losses and disillusionment, the Latours emigrate to America, where they hope to leave the past behind. Inspired by the author's family stories as well as extensive research, Heirlooms explores our assumptions about good and evil, memory and truth.



## Sunday, November 20, 12pm **LYNN ROSEN** *Man of Genius*

Compelling and complex, the story centers on Samuel, an eccentric 20th century architect whose work is brilliant and revered, but whose private life reflects personal peccadilloes and perversions that leave colleagues, lovers and friends deeply scarred. Reminiscent of the Gothic novels that Lynn Rosen admires, her tale of murder and suspense sweeps readers into a life of glittering achievement and hubris, and challenges their constructs of moral judgment.

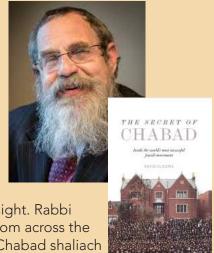
#### **CLOSING NIGHT - JEWISH SPIRITUALITY**

## Sunday, November 20, 7pm RABBI DAVID ELIEZRIE

with the storytelling flair of a prolific writer.

The Secret of Chabad

Writers have speculated for decades about the unparalleled success of Chabad Lubavitch, which is considered one of the most influential movements in modern Judaism. In *The Secret of Chabad*, Rabbi David Eliezrie depicts the events, philosophies, and personalities that have made Chabad Lubavitch a worldwide phenomenon. His unique style weaves together narrative and fact, history and philosophical insight. Rabbi Eliezrie's interviews with shluchim and Chabad leaders from across the globe combine the insider's perspective of a long-time Chabad shaliach



#### THE FESTIVAL CONTINUES...

Monday, March 6, 2pm St. John's Brickstone, 1325 Elmwood Ave., 14620

#### **JUDY BATALION**

#### White Walls: A Memoir About Motherhood, Daughterhood, and the Mess In Between

Judy Batalion grew up in a house filled with endless piles of junk and layers of crumbs and dust, suffocated by tuna fish cans, old papers and magazines, swivel chairs, ballpoint pens...obsessively gathered and stored by her hoarder mother. The first chance she had, she escaped the clutter to create a new identity—one made of order, regimen, and clean white walls. Until, one day, she found herself enmeshed in life's biggest chaos: motherhood.

Confronted with the task of raising a daughter after her own dysfunctional childhood, Judy reflects on not only her own upbringing but on the lives of her mother and grandmother, Jewish Polish immigrants who had escaped the Holocaust.





## Sunday, March 19, 10am LIANE KUPFERBERG CARTER

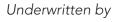
#### Ketchup is my Favorite Vegetable: A Family Grows Up With Autism

How do you create an ordinary family life, while dealing with the extraordinary needs of an autistic child?

Meet Mickey - charming, funny, compassionate, and autistic. In this unflinching portrait of family life, Liane Kupferberg Carter gives us a mother's insight into what

really goes on in the two decades after diagnosis. From the double blow of a subsequent epilepsy diagnosis, to bullying and Bar Mitzvahs, Mickey's struggles and triumphs along the road to adulthood are honestly detailed to show how one family learned to grow and thrive with autism.









## Skippyjon Jones: Snow What

November 11 - 13

A TheatreWorks USA production
Best enjoyed by kids ages 4 and up.
Based on the book by Judy Schachner.

Mirror, mirror on the wall, who is the bravest Chihuahua of them all? Skippyjon Jones, the Siamese cat who thinks he's a Mexican Chihuahua of course! A brand new musical featuring a hilarious twist on the classic fairytale Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

Friday, November 11 at 10am & 12:30pm Saturday, November 12 at 11am & 2pm Sunday, November 13 at 2pm and 4:30pm



\$16 Member: \$15

For tickets, visit

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call the JCC at 461-2000.

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AUTHOR/EVENT	DATE	TIME	JCC MEM.	NON- MEM.	# OF TIX	SUB- TOTAL	
PRE-FESTIVAL EVENTS							
Film: Screenagers	11/2	7pm	FREE				
Michael Kalnitz Exhibit	11/6	10am	FREE				
2016 FESTIVAL EVENTS							
Dennis Ross	11/6	7pm	\$15	\$18			
Jessica Fechtor	11/7	12pm	\$20	\$25			
Kristallnacht Remembrance	11/9	7pm	FR	FREE			
Mike Silver	11/10	6рт	\$25	\$30			
Shulem Deen	11/15	7pm	\$8	\$10			
Ron Lieber	11/16	7pm	\$8	\$10			
Betsy Lerner	11/17	7pm	\$8	\$10			
Fiction Panel Luncheon	11/18	12pm	\$20	\$25			
Rachel Hall	11/20	10am	\$8	\$10			
Lynn Rosen	11/20	12pm	\$8	\$10			
Rabbi David Eliezer	11/20	7pm	\$8	\$10			
POST-FESTIVAL EVENTS							
Judy Batalion	3/6	2pm	\$8	\$10			
Liane Kupferberg Carter	3/19	10am	FREE				
ADD FESTIVAL SUPPORT							
TOTAL DUE:							

For tickets to Loaves of Love, Experience the Music with Avi Kilimnick, TYKEs, and CenterStage call 461-2000 or visit jccrochester.org

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#### TRY US OUT! YOU'LL LOVE WHAT YOU FIND...

- Brand new 13,000 sq ft fitness center featuring over 100 pieces of new, state-of-the-art equipment spanning two floors surrounded by windows
- Second pool with a bubble bench, lazy river, and zero depth entry
- Outdoor splash pool and expanded patio
- New Café, renovated community space with a fireplace, and theater lounge



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