

Spring 2017 Program Guide

Adults | Arts & Culture

Meetings & Groups

Yiddish Club

Experience the joys of Yiddish. The group meets weekly to discuss topics like cooking, politics, humor, music and all kinds of entertainment in the Yiddish language. All are welcome to join this lively, weekly discussion. There is something for everyone no matter if you know a few words, or are a fluent speaker. Enjoy fun, fellowship, stories and more. Coffee and cookies served.

Tuesdays (4/4 - 6/27)

2:00pm - 3:30pm

Price: Free

Games

Join other adults for an afternoon of mahjong, chess, checkers and more. Gather your friends and make new ones. Tables will be set up.

Wednesdays, (4/5 -6/28)

1:00pm - 3:30pm

Price: Free

Arts & Culture

Spring Crafts

Join other adults for a fun, creative, hands-on project. Classes taught by Stephanie Bennett. Held on the third Thursday of the month.

Thursdays, 4/20, 5/18, and 6/15

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Price: \$7/class

Beginners Needle Felting Workshop: Make a Fish

(16 years and up)

Workshop taught by Stacy Hortner. Small group beginner needle felting class. Students will learn the basics of needle felting and how to make basic shapes from which to create a fanciful fish. Kits will include everything you need to needle felt and embellish your fish. No prior experience necessary. Limited to the first eight registered.

Sunday, 4/2

11:00am - 3:30pm

Price: \$60 | JCC MVP: \$52

Jewish & Israeli Film Festival

The Jewish and Israeli Film Festival offers thought-provoking, entertaining, and educational film events, often featuring guest speakers and discussions.

"He's My God, Too"

This film portrays popular Israeli TV host ("Big Brother - Israel" and "The Next Star") Assi Azar's quest to marry his boyfriend in a traditional Jewish wedding. Mr. Azar will be here to speak with the audience and discuss his life and films. At Muhlenberg College, Moyer Hall, Miller Forum.

Sponsored by Muhleberg College Hillel.

Sunday, 3/23, 7:00pm

Price: Free

"To Life!"

Fate introduces the aging Jewish cabaret singer Ruth, who is running from her past, and the confused young, non-Jewish Jonas, who is running from his future. Together these wounded souls manage to reaffirm life for each other in this moving drama. Introduction and discussion with Dr. Hartmut Heep, associate professor at Penn State Schuylkill.

Co-sponsored by Congregation Keneseth Israel.

Wednesday, 4/5, 7:00pm (Running time: 86 min)

Price: \$10 | JCC MVP: \$7

"Run Boy Run"

A superlative saga of courage and compassion, Run Boy Run tells the extraordinary true story of a young Polish boy's struggle to outlast the Nazi occupation and maintain his Jewish faith through his intrepid will and the kindness of others. Winner of several Audience Awards at film festivals across the country. Introductory remarks by Eva Levitt. Co-sponsored by Eva and Larry Levitt.

Sunday, 4/9, 7:00pm (Running time: 107 min)

Price: \$10 | JCC MVP: \$7

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“Remember”

Presented in partnership with ArtsQuest, Academy Award® nominated director Atom Egoyan creates a thrillingly fast-paced revenge story that, in a highly original and deeply intimate way, deals with the aftermath of one of the most deplorable and significant events in recent history. With an incredible lead performance from Christopher Plummer as the frail but unstoppable Zev, *Remember* manages to keep audiences on the edge of their seats while giving them something to think about long after the film is over. At Steel Stacks, Frank Banko Alehouse Cinema.

Sunday, 6/4, 7:00pm (Running time: 95 min)

Price: \$10 | JCC and ArtsQuest Members Price: \$7

“Ahead of the Time: The Extraordinary Journey of Ruth Gruber”

Presented in partnership with Civic Theatre of Allentown. For seven decades, foreign correspondent and photojournalist Ruth Gruber didn't just report the news... she made it! The first journalist to enter the Soviet Arctic in 1935, Ruth also traveled to Alaska as a member of the Roosevelt administration in 1942, escorted Holocaust refugees to America in 1944, covered the Nuremberg trials in 1946 and documented the Haganah ship Exodus in 1947. Her relationships with world leaders including Eleanor Roosevelt, President Harry Truman, and David Ben Gurion gave her unique access and insight into the modern history of the Jewish people. Ruth passed away in November 2016 at the age of 105.

At the Civic Theatre of Allentown, Theatre 514.

Tuesday, 6/6, 7:00pm (Running time: 73 min)

Price: \$10 | JCC and Civic Members Price: \$7

Gallery at the J Exhibits

The Gallery at the J hosts exhibits of various media approximately every eight weeks. Opening receptions are the first day of each exhibit and run from 6:30pm - 8:00pm. These are free and open to the community and include refreshments and live music.

3/9 - 5/5: Photography by Yvette Hendler and Paintings by Lydia Shpak

5/18 - 6/30: Glass creations by Ken and Sue Berkenstock, Mosaics/ Mixed Media by Barbara Kozero



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