



**ASSOCIATION FOR CANADIAN JEWISH STUDIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE
CONGRESS FOR HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES, MONTREAL**

May 30 – June 1, 2010

SUNDAY, MAY 30 | JEWISH PUBLIC LIBRARY, MONTREAL

LOCATION: 1 CUMMINGS SQUARE - 5151 CÔTE STE-CATHERINE RD. TEL: (514) 345-2627

Sunday's sessions are open to the general public free of charge. No registration is required.

9:30 AM – 11:30 PM: session 1 | CANADIAN JEWISH IMMIGRANT LIFE

Howard Gontovnick, "Did Productivization Play a Role in the Integration of Jewish Immigrants to Canada after 1890?" (Department of Religion, Concordia University)

Rachel Levy, "The Social and Economic Transformation of the Kingston Jewish Community as Revealed in the Census of Canada and City Directories - 1871– 1911" (Department of History, Queen's University)

Faith Jones, "*Di ershte un greste Yidische bukh stor*": Miller's Books advertising, 1910-1920" (Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program, University of British Columbia)

Emily Lam, "People didn't call it klezmer": *Klezmer* Music in Jewish Montreal: 1924-1970" (Independent Researcher, Montreal)

Presiding Chair: Rebecca Margolis (Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, University of Ottawa)

11:30 – 1:00 PM: Lunch break

1:00 – 2:30 PM: session 2 | ACJS – CSJS JOINT PANEL: RELIGIOUS LIFE/RABBIS IN CANADA

Ira Robinson, "Agreeing With the Antisemites?: A 1931 Rabbinic Sermon and Its Repercussions in the Montreal Jewish Community" (Department of Religion, Concordia University, ACJS)

Steven Lapidus, "Montreal Rabbinic Strife in mid-Century" (Department of Religion, Concordia University, CSJS)

Justin Jaron Lewis, "A Hasidic Rebbe's Teachings and His Followers: A Canadian Example" (Department of Religion, University of Manitoba, CSJS)

Presiding Chair: Andrea Gondos (Department of Religion, Concordia University)

3:00 – 4:30 PM: session 3 | CHAVA ROSENFARB

Rebecca Margolis, "Chava Rosenfarb's Experiences of Yiddish in Montreal" (Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, University of Ottawa)

Esther Frank, "The Loneliness of the Yiddish Writer" (Department of Jewish Studies, McGill University)

Goldie Morgentaler, "The Poetry of Chava Rosenfarb: The Joyful Drabness of the Everyday" (Dept of English, University of Lethbridge)

Presiding Chair: Sherry Simon (Département d'études françaises, Concordia University)

6:00 PM: ACJS banquet (with advance ticket purchase only*)

Presentation of the 2010 ACJS Louis Rosenberg Distinguished Service Award to Eiran Harris, Archivist Emeritus of the Jewish Public Library Archives, Ernie & Ellie Restaurant

*Conference delegates may purchase tickets via the Congress website. A limited number of tickets are also available at a cost of \$36.00 at the front desk of the Jewish Public Library.

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MONDAY, MAY 31 | CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: ROOM MB S1-430

Monday and Tuesday sessions are open to registered delegates of the Congress for Humanities and Social Sciences only

9:00 – 10:30 AM: Annual General Meeting, Association for Canadian Jewish Studies

10:30 – 11:00 AM: Coffee break

**11:00 AM – 12:30 PM: session 4 | ACJS – CSJS JOINT PANEL: JEWISH-QUÉBÉCOIS
RELATIONSHIPS**

Barry Stiefel, “The Synagogues of Louisiana and Quebec: A Comparison of Ashkenazic Immigrant Houses of Worship in Anglo-Franco Cultural Environments, circa 1865-1920” (Historic Preservation Program, College of Charleston, ACJS)

Pierre Anctil, “H.M. Caiserman critique littéraire du Canada français” (Department of History, University of Ottawa, CSJS)

Sharon Gubbay Helfer, “Rome Among the Bishops: a preliminary investigation of David Rome’s dialogue with French Québec” (Faculté de théologie et de sciences des religions, Université de Montréal, ACJS)

Presiding Chair: Ira Robinson (Department of Religion, University of Concordia)

12:30 – 1:30 PM: Lunch break

1:30 – 3:00 PM: session 5 | ACJS – CSJS JOINT PANEL: CANADIAN HOLOCAUST STUDIES

Richard Menkis, “Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath’s Responses to Nazi Germany, 1933-1936” (Department of History, University of British Columbia, ACJS)

Anna Sheftel and Stacey Zembrzycki, “‘We Created Our Own Social’: The New World Club and Social Spaces Led by Holocaust Survivors in Postwar Montreal” (The Centre for Oral History and Digital Storytelling Department of History Concordia University, ACJS)

Adara Goldberg, “‘Keeping the Faith’: Religiosity as a Factor in the Resettlement of Orthodox Jewish Survivors in Post-World War II Canada” (Strassler Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Clark University, CSJS)

Presiding Chair: Franklin Bialystok (Centre for Jewish Studies, University of Toronto)

3:30 – 5:00 PM: session 6 | ROUNDTABLE: JEWS/MULTICULTURALISM/CANADA

Michele Byers (Dept of Sociology & Criminology, St. Mary’s University), David S. Koffman (Departments of History, Hebrew and Judaic Studies, New York University), Sheryl Nestel (Department of Sociology and Equity Studies, OISE-University of Toronto), Stephanie Tara Schwartz (Department of Classics and Religious Studies, University of Ottawa)

Respondents: Richard Menkis (Department of History, University of British Columbia), Norman Ravvin (Institute of Jewish Canadian Studies, Concordia University)

ONGOING: EXHIBIT OF 75 YEARS OF MONTREAL’S JEWISH GENERAL HOSPITAL MB 3-225



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8:30 – 10:30 AM: Open Board Meeting, Association for Canadian Jewish Studies

10:30 – 11:00 AM: Coffee break

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM: session 7 | THE BOUNDARIES OF JEWISHNESS

Stephanie Tara Schwartz, “Jewish Beginnings and Boundaries” (Department of Classics and Religious Studies, University of Ottawa)

Shelly Nixon, “Menorahs in the Museum: Exploring the Boundaries of Jewishness in Canadian Museums” (Department of Classics and Religious Studies, University of Ottawa)

Presiding Chair: Susan Landau Chark (The Zelikovitz Centre for Jewish Studies, Carleton University)

12:00 – 1:00 PM: Lunch break

1:00 – 2:30 PM: session 8 | NEW DIRECTIONS IN CANADIAN JEWISH STUDIES

Phil Gold, “A Canadian Labour Zionist’s Cure for the Summer-time Blues” (Independent Researcher, Toronto)

Susan Landau Chark, “Challenging Stereotypes: Riotous Behaviors for a Righteous Cause” (The Zelikovitz Centre for Jewish Studies, Carleton University)

Robin Bergart, “48 Year-Old Culturally Jewish (But Not Practicing) Bacon-Lover Seeks Woman for a Long-Term Relationship” (McLaughlin Library, University of Guelph)

Presiding Chair: Randal Schnoor (Koschitzky Centre for Jewish Studies, York University)

2:45 – 4:15 PM: session 9 | CANADIAN JEWISH ARCHIVES OUT LOUD

Chair: Janice Rosen, CJCCCNA, Montreal

Shannon Hodge, JPL-Archives, Montreal

Laurie Dougherty, Ottawa Jewish Archives, Ottawa

Ava Block-Super, JHCWC, Winnipeg

Agi Romer Segal, JHS of Southern Alberta, Calgary

Jennifer Yuhasz, JHS of BC, Vancouver

4:30-5:30 PM: Annual General Meeting, Canadian Society of Jewish Studies

