

# **NEWS & VIEWS**



Elizabeth Bonney-Cohen, Rab`18 (right), leads the first session of Eser 2020: "Judaism's Most Surprising Moments," in her home in Brookline.

### Learning to Teach and Teaching to Learn

When first-year <u>Rabbinical School</u> student Hindy Finman walks across the bridge that connects Hebrew College's Beit Midrash to the community learning offices, she turns from student to teacher, sharing her love for storytelling, song, and Torah with Greater Boston teens through Hebrew College's <u>Makor</u> and <u>Prozdor</u> youth programs and with her young adult peers through <u>Open</u> <u>Circle Jewish Learning's Eser series</u>.

"The bridge between learning and teaching is a beautiful one to cross and I get to do this every week," said Finman, a rabbinical school intern in the Open Circle program. "I get to experience full creative freedom, share, research other people's questions, laugh and ponder the puzzling moments of our history, and examine what it means to be a Jew in 2020. I am a full-time student, learning about my development and how I can enhance my Torah, and then I can take this knowledge and apply it to the here and now."

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## Bringing Jewish Learning to Boston Business Leaders

"Many Jewish professionals have a yearning to experience adult Jewish learning. What better place than Hebrew College? There is a strong synergy between those who have an interest in adult Jewish learning, and their professional careers." — Carl Chudnofsky, Hebrew College Trustee & CEO Forum Co-Chair

Please join us on the morning of Wednesday, March 25, for Hebrew College's sixth <u>CEO Forum</u> with featured speaker Jon Hirschtick, Executive Vice President, President of SaaS at PTC and former co-founder and CEO of SolidWorks and Onshape.

"The CEO forum is an opportunity to hear from a business leader in a way that you wouldn't anywhere else, because it combines the business world and the Jewish community in a unique and special way," said Alan Sherman, Vice President, Marketing and Advancement at Hebrew College. "We look forward to hearing how Jon views his work in mobile and cloud computing through a lens of Jewish principles and values."

The event, co-chaired by Carl Chudnofsky and David Teplow, will begin with a complementary kosher breakfast and networking at 7:30 am, followed by the program from 8-9 am. The moderator will be Aron Ain, CEO of Kronos.

Learn More & RSVP



### Call for Artists: Visual Voices of Torah

"Seeing Torah," a visual diary documenting artist Anita Rabinoff-Goldman's study and artistic response to each of the 54 portions of the Torah, opens on March 24 in Hebrew College's Cutler Atrium <u>Gallery</u>. The community is invited to free lunch-and-learn discussions about the exhibit, led by Hebrew College Rabbinical Students, from noon to 1 pm, on April 21 and 28, and May 5 and 12. Please RSVP.

Hebrew College welcomes artists who focus on visual interpretation of Jewish ideas to submit their work for possible display in the Hebrew College Gallery. Please submit five photos of your work, a statement of purpose, and a resume to <a href="mailto:arts@hebrewcollege.edu">arts@hebrewcollege.edu</a>.



Posts from this Hebrew College-hosted blog are also published weekly in Patheos.

### A Missing Moses - A Missing God - A

Missing Spring: Parashat Tetzaveh

(Exodus 27:20-30:10)

By Joey Glick, Rabbinical Student at Hebrew College

Every year at this time, I read <u>Spring for Sophie</u>, a wonderful children's book by my friend and classmate Yael Waeber. The book follows the emotional and sensory journey of a young girl eager for the end of winter. Sophie's mother helps her to notice—with her eyes, ears, nose, fingers, and tongue—the slow transformation of the season. I love the book for its mindful approach to life and its reminder to carefully notice and bless change. However, my favorite part of the book is Sophie's growing impatience! The closer spring comes, the greater is Sophie's frustration over still chilly days and frigid fingers. *Spring for Sophie* describes a season of waiting that embraces hope, doubt and absence.

This week's Torah portion, *Tetzaveh*, presents a complementary meditation on waiting for a precious return....

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### Beyond Coping— to Transformation

By Rabbi Katy Allen, Open Circle Jewish Learning Instructor

We live embedded in a web of many kinds of sacred texts. The texts of our tradition are sacred. But so are the "texts" of our lives and the "texts" of the Earth. So are the "texts" of our communities.

A childhood memory of playing with friends in a stream. The experience of sitting beside a loved one as their life draws to an end. A stone. A song. A beloved book from childhood, shared deeply and intimately with family members over the years.

All these and so much more are sacred texts. And when we pull these text out into the light, notice them, take time to turn them and turn them again in our hands, our minds, or our souls, and when we then weave them all together, suddenly something new emerges.

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Information & Reservations

### March at Hebrew College

#### Hebrew Roots, Jewish Routes: Tribal Language in a Global World

A discussion and book signing with Dr. Jeremy Benstein, author of <a href="HebrewRoots">HebrewRoots</a>. Local co-sponsors: <a href="Hebrew at the Center">Hebrew at the Center</a> and <a href="Hebrew College">Hebrew College</a> <a href="March 18">March 18</a> | 7:30 pm | <a href="Learn more">Learn more</a>

#### **Let My People Sing! Workshop**

A free evening workshop with <u>Let My People Sing!</u>, a cutting-edge organization that brings Jews together for powerful group song.

March 21 | 8:15 pm | <u>Learn more</u>

#### "Seeing Torah" Gallery Opening

A visual diary documenting artist Anita Rabinoff-Goldman's study and artistic response to each of the 54 portions of the Torah. Complementary refreshments. Sponsored through the generosity of Deborah Feinstein and Susan Schechter.

March 24 | 6 pm | Register

#### **CEO Forum with Jon Hirschtick**

A free kosher breakfast and networking event for Jewish professionals featuring Jon Hirschtick, EVP, President of SaaS at PTC and former cofounder and CEO of SolidWorks and Onshape, and moderator Aron Ain, CEO of Kronos.

March 25 | 7:30-9 am | Register

# Re-envisioning Jewish Inclusion in 2020 and Beyond: How Interfaith Couples & Families Belong

A one-day program including panel discussion, text study, and presentations. Supported by the <u>Hebrew College Innovation Lab</u>. March 26 | 8 am-4 pm | <u>Register</u>

#### **Amzara: Monthly Alternative Shabbat Minyan**

A morning service in the Beit Midrash, followed by a pot-luck vegetarian kiddush lunch. Supported by the <u>Hebrew College Innovation Lab.</u>

March 28 | 10 am-noon | <u>Learn more</u>











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