



Reverend Katz Library

New Book Reviews

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This month, we did not receive a large selection of suitable books for our library. Many of our books come from recommendations; if you have any recommendations for books with Jewish content, please contact the synagogue (info@nss.asn.au) and we will see if we are able to order these books for our library. We look forward to you visiting the Reverend Katz library soon.

Sydney Jewish Museum, Jews from Islamic lands: Stories of tradition, displacement and survival from the Rivers of Babylon to the shores of Australia. HIS SYD

This book reflects the exhibition held at the Sydney Jewish Museum. Until the 15th century, most Jews lived in Islamic lands. The exhibition traced the lives of Jews living in the Middle East, Asia Minor, North Africa and the Iberian Peninsula from ancient times. It tells a tapestry of stories from across these regions, of flourishing, tolerance, expulsion and displacement, as well as how these Jews have continued to celebrate their vibrant cultures in new places across the world. This exhibition tells the stories of Jews from Islamic lands through objects from the Sydney Jewish Museum's collection and those sourced from local families with direct lineage from these regions.

Roland Gittelsohn (Rabbi) and Harvey J Fields (Rabbi), Modern Jewish Problems JUD GIT

Each chapter of the book deals with a separate modern Jewish problem. In each chapter there are stories and examples by means of which the problem itself is illustrated, and a number of interesting questions for you to think about. In addition, you will find in each chapter several readings taken from various other books, which will give you information that is valuable in discussing and solving that particular problem.

Paper Brigade Jewish Book Council's Annual Literary Journal - Volume 6 2023 LIT PAP

Paper Brigade is named in honour of the group of writers and intellectuals in the Vilna Ghetto who rescued thousands of Jewish books and documents from destruction by the Nazis. The publication reflects today's diverse Jewish literary landscape in America and abroad.

- **This volume contains:**
- Interviews with Michael W. Twitty, Sloane Crosley, Gary Shteyngart, Claire Stanford, and others
- A look at recent novels about Jewish motherhood and fertility
- Fiction by Kate Schmier and Leeor Ohayon
- A Jewish literary map of India
- Five YA fantasy authors on mythological Jewish creatures
- An exploration of the art of Jewish puppetry
- A comic by S. Bear Bergman and Saul Freedman-Lawson
- Plus translation, poetry, photography, and more!