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May 22-24, Columbus, Ohio, for North American Jewish community professionals.



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WORK ABOVE THE BULL: *Can you predict the weather?*
Brenda Gevertz, JPRO Network Executive Director

One need only scan the headlines or listen to the news to know that waves of fear, anger and backlash have been sweeping the country. Change is too hard and too difficult for many people. Rather than adapting, building coalitions or finding coping mechanisms, many people wish to reset the clock and stop the inevitable. If only it were so simple.



We in the Jewish community have done our own share of hand-wringing and...

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and illuminates opportunities*

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JPRO NEW ENGLAND DAY

JEWISH VALUES AT WORK: CONFRONTING COMMUNITY CHALLENGES

Join JPRO for this inaugural professional development opportunity
for professionals working in the Jewish community.
Stimulating Presentations ■ Skill Building ■ Networking

Wednesday, March 16, 2016

Hebrew College

160 Herrick Road, Newton Center, MA

9:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Registration opens at 8:30 AM

Members—\$50, Non-Members—\$90, Students—\$25

Includes all Kosher meals and materials

Register at jpro.org/?p=2120

Boston Marriott Newton Hotel

Special JPRO conference rate

PRESENTERS:

DR. ERICA BROWN, Educator, Author and Consultant ■ **WILLIAM DAROFF**, Senior VP for Public Policy and Director of the Washington Office, JFNA ■ **RABBI DAVID ELLENSON**, Director, Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Brandeis University ■ **DR. JONATHAN SARNA**, Professor at Brandeis University, President of the Association for Jewish Studies & Chief Historian of the National Museum of American Jewish History in Philadelphia ■ **BARRY SHRAGE**, CEO, Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Boston ■ **ELLEN SMITH**, Director of the Hornstein Jewish Professional Leadership Program at Brandeis University ■ **BETH ZWICK**, Senior Program Officer, Ruderman Family Foundation

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JPRO Local Groups

Wiener Center for Leadership and Learning, UJA-Federation of NY Strategies for Professional Success

For early career professionals. This workshop is presented in collaboration with Advancing Jewish Professionals (AJP)

Date & Time: Tuesday, March 8, 2016; 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM EST

Location: UJA-Federation of NY (130 E. 59th St, NY, NY)

Cost: \$55

[MORE DETAILS](#)

[JPro New Jersey](#)
2016 Bier Seminar

Join for networking, learning, and professional development.

Date & Time: Wednesday, March 9, 2016; 9:30 AM EST

Location: Temple Beth Shalom (193 East Mount Pleasant Ave, Livingston)

Cost: \$25 JPRO NJ Members; \$36 Non-Members

[MORE DETAILS](#)

[AJP-NYC](#)

Cultivating the Next Generation of Jewish Leaders

Join for a stimulating conversation about what the Jewish professional field and its future leaders need to succeed.

Date & Time: Wednesday, March 9, 2016; 6:00 PM AM EST

Location: Bronfman Center for Jewish Student Life at NYU
(7 East 10th Street, NYC)

[MORE DETAILS](#)

[JCPSC](#)

**Shalom Hartman iEngage Conference:
Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict**

JCPSC Co-President David Bubis will be helping to facilitate the Jewish Professionals conversation at the upcoming Shalom Hartman iEngage Conference.

Date & Time: Monday, March 7, 2016; 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM PST

Location: Hillel UCLA (574 Hilgard avenue, Los Angeles, CA)

[MORE DETAILS](#)

[DFI](#)

How to Make Your Organization's Email Awesome!

Date & Time: Wednesday, March 9, 2016; 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM EST

Location: The Weinberg Park Heights JCC Community Room
(5700 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD)

Presentation Tips

Date & Time: Monday, April 4, 2016; 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM EST

Location: The Weinberg Park Heights JCC Community Room
(5700 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore, MD)

[MORE DETAILS](#)

JPro San Diego

From the Inside Out:

Why Every Jewish Organization Should be a Great Place to Work

Join for a breakfast presentation on making your Jewish organization a great place to work. Presented in conjunction with the Jewish Funders Network

Date & Time: Tuesday, April 5, 2016; 7:45 AM - 9:00 AM PST

Location: Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines (10950 N Torrey Pines Rd, La Jolla, CA 92037)

[MORE DETAILS](#)



Upcoming Events

Wiener Center for Leadership and Learning, UJA-Federation of NY

Forecasting Trends and Planning for the Future

For professionals engaged in program or service development, funders, and fundraisers. Teams are encouraged.

Date & Time: Wednesday, March 9, 2016; 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM EST

The Essential Skills of Exceptional Facilitators

Date & Time: Tuesday, March 15, 2016; 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM EST

Planning Eco-Friendly Events for People, Profit, and the Planet

For fundraisers, marketing and communications staff, conference planners, and others who plan major events. This program is presented in collaboration with Hazon's Jewish Greening Fellowship.

Date & Time: Tuesday, March 22, 2016; 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM EST

[MORE DETAILS](#)

Travel with JCC Austin to Israel with the LGBTQ Community

Create memories to last for a lifetime on a ten-day trip to Israel, custom designed for members and friends of the LGBTQ communities from around North America.

Dates: May 28 - June 9, 2016

[MORE DETAILS](#)



MAZAL TOV / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mazal Tov to Joshua Karlin, on his recent appointment as Associate Vice President of Financial Resource Development at JFNA.



GIVING PURPOSE TO OUR WORK

By Arthur Sandman, Executive Vice President, The Jewish Agency for Israel, International Development

It is Lent, so I think of fasting.

As Jews, we think of Yom Kippur when it comes to fasting. Fasting is common among affiliated Jews and, while others may not fast, I daresay almost any Jew is aware of the injunction to fast as an act of Atonement. Fewer Jews beyond the highly observant have much awareness of the other fasts. The Fasts of Gedalya, 10th of Tevet, 17th of Tammuz, and 9th of Av commemorate national tragedy-the miseries of the subjugation of the Jewish People in ancient Judea/Palestine, the destruction of the Temple, and exile. The Fast of the Firstborn before Pesach only applies to, you guessed it, the first born. It's interesting in that it would be an act of empathy for the suffering of our enemies, if anyone fasted. But few do, opting out by celebrating the completion of a tractate of Talmud instead.



Then there is the Fast of Esther. Truth be told...

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

[Development Officer](#), The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington

[Assistant Director](#), American Jewish Committee, NY Regional Office

[Marketing and Communications Associate](#), [Judicial Nominations Campaign Organizer](#), National Council of Jewish Women

JFS in San Diego has several open positions. Please contact Andrea Szabo Andreas@jfssd.org for more information.

Hillel is hiring! There are excellent Executive Director positions open at [Hillel at Ohio University](#), [Santa Cruz Hillel](#), [Hillel Milwaukee](#), [Oberlin College](#), and [Hillel of Buffalo!](#) Be sure to check out www.hilleljobs.org for the latest job postings! Please contact [Aviva Zucker Snyder](#), Director of Talent Acquisition, for more information about a career with Hillel.

The Jewish Federations of North America Mandel Center for Leadership Excellence is seeking talented professionals for open positions in Jewish Federations across North America. Check out their Career Opportunities site to learn more jewishfederations.org/career-opportunities or email jobs@jewishfederations.org.



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GRADUATE SCHOOLS



[Spertus Institute for Jewish Learning and Leadership](#)

offers dynamic learning opportunities, rooted in Jewish wisdom and culture and open to all. These opportunities are designed to enable personal growth, train future leaders, and engage individuals in exploration of Jewish life.

Graduate programs and professional workshops are offered in the Chicago area, in select locations across North America and in Israel, and through distance learning.

A dual graduate degree from the [Hornstein Jewish Professional Leadership Program at Brandeis University](#) can open doors to leadership positions in the Jewish community. Now accepting applications for Fall 2016. Use application waiver fee code "HRNSJPRO16" and save \$75!

[Zelikow School of Nonprofit Management, HUC](#), Los Angeles

Get a running start into the Jewish professional field, in sunny southern California, with a Master's Degree from The Zelikow School of Jewish Nonprofit Management (ZSJNM) located at HUC-JIR Los Angeles! The Zelikow School is now accepting applications for the 2016-2017 school year. Hurry and apply now before space fills up! We offer various degree options inside and outside of HUC-JIR, including FOUR dual degree options with the prestigious University of Southern California! Learn more here: <http://zsjnm.huc.edu/>

Contact Associate Director of ZSJNM, Mandi Richardson at mrichardson@huc.edu or 213-765-2141.

[Gratz College](#) is now accepting applications for the 4th Cohort of Midcareer Fellowships in:

- [Master of Science in Nonprofit Management](#)
- [Master of Arts in Jewish Communal Service/Nonprofit Management](#)
- [Master of Arts in Jewish Education](#)

Successful candidates will receive a generous scholarship!

Also, Gratz College has been awarded the funds for the 4th cohort of the Midcareer Fellowships. Successful applicants will receive a generous scholarship!

For more information about any of the above program/scholarships, contact admissions@gratz.edu or 215-635-7300 x140.

[The University of Michigan's Jewish Communal Leadership Program](#) (JCLP) is now accepting applications for Fall 2016 on a space-available basis. Earn your MSW from the [#1 School of Social Work](#) and Certificate in Jewish Communal Leadership from the [Frankel Center for Judaic Studies](#). JCLP is for emerging leaders committed to taking on the tough issues of contemporary Jewish community, Israel, diversity and inclusion, and intergroup dialogue. Opportunities for coursework and training in community organizing, non-profit management, and therapeutic intervention. Field placements locally, nationally, and internationally through a partnership with University of Haifa. Develop your professional voice within a small cohort. Generous funding is available for all admitted students. For more information, contact Paige Walker: vpwalker@umich.edu.

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