

The Agenda

Artist exhibition

JCC MetroWest presents "Mother," an exhibition by Monica Litvany, in the Gaelen Gallery East at the Leon and Toby Cooperman JCC, West Orange, through July 31.

"Mother" combines large-scale/figurative sculpture with surfaced sculptural vessels. *Reliquary for Love Tokens* has an extremely detailed surface with subtle color variations and stands over six feet tall. Litvany's mastery of alternative firing techniques is evident in her work, from small narrative pieces to large wall installations.

The exhibition can be previewed at www.monicalitvany.com/prview/index.html.

Gaelen Gallery East hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, contact Lisa Suss at 973-530-3413 or lsuss@jccmetrowest.org.



THURSDAY, June 4

Congregation B'nai Israel, Millburn, hosts a program on **Mysticism**, 9:30-10:30 a.m. RSVP to 973-379-3811.

The book group at Temple B'nai Abraham, Livingston, discusses **My Father's Paradise** by Ariel Sabar at 7:30 p.m. RSVP to 973-994-2290 or visit www.tbanj.org.

FRIDAY, June 5

Summit Jewish Community Center holds an **80th birthday celebration** at 7 p.m. Call 908-273-8130.

Eileen Weiss of the Jewish Vocational Service of MetroWest presents **JVS at Your Service: Providing Employment Assistance During These Challenging Times** and Jewish Family Service of MetroWest social worker Beth Sandweiss presents **Coping with Employment Challenges** at Temple Sharey-Tefilo Israel, South Orange, at 7:30 p.m. Call 973-763-4116.

Rabbi Chaya Baker of Israel's Ramat Zion Masorti Synagogue presents **Challenges Facing Jewish Identity in the Jewish State** at Congregation Agudath Israel of West Essex, Caldwell, at 8:30 p.m. Call 973-226-3600.

SATURDAY, June 6

Rabbi Chaya Baker of Israel's Ramat Zion Masorti Synagogue presents **Unique Issues Confronting Non-Orthodox Jewish Religious Identity in Jerusalem** at Agudath Israel of West Essex, Caldwell, at 11:15 a.m. followed by a lunch and learn at 1 p.m. Call 973-226-3600.

Meir Javedanfar, a specialist in Israeli-Iranian relations, speaks at Congregation Etz Chaim, Livingston, at 11:30 a.m. Contact 973-597-1655 or etzchaim@etzchaimnj.com.

Rick Recht performs a family concert at 7:30 p.m. at the Oskar Schindler Performing Arts Center, West Orange. Cost is \$10; bring lawn chairs or blankets. Call 973-766-2589 or visit www.ospac.org.

SUNDAY, June 7

Meir Javedanfar, a specialist in Israeli-Iranian relations, presents **Are We Heading for Nuclear Armageddon?** at Congregation Etz Chaim, Livingston, at 10 a.m. Contact 973-597-1655 or etzchaim@etzchaimnj.com.

Chabad Center of Northwest NJ, Rockaway, holds a **dedication for its new Educational Center** at 10:30 a.m. The festivities will include live music by Israeli/hasidic singer Ben Shimon, pony rides, a petting zoo, and brunch. Contact 973-625-1525, ext. 227, or rabbiherson@onetorahway.org.

Daughters of Israel Plafsky Family Campus, West Orange, offers an educational workshop, **Successful Visitation Strategies**, at 10:30 a.m. RSVP to 973-400-3302 or lschuman@doigc.org.

Ben Cohn, assistant conductor and first keyboardist for the Broadway hit *Wicked the Musical*, performs at the White Meadow Temple's Starlite Cafe on at 7 p.m. Cost is \$30. Contact ichlam@aol.com or 973-627-4500.

MONDAY, June 8

Holocaust Lunch and Learn is held at the Aidekman campus, Whippany, noon-1:30 p.m. Bring a dairy lunch; call 973-428-9300.

The Jewish Learning Institute of Morris County, Randolph, holds **Every Week Kabbalah** at 7:30 p.m. Call 973-895-3070.

TUESDAY, June 9

Hirschhorn speaker Rebecca Levine presents Yiddishkeit at a noon lunch meeting of the Adult Forum of Congregation B'nai Israel, Millburn. Cost is \$9, \$7 for members. Call 973-379-3811.

Sachs, Maitlan, West Orange, hosts **Tuesday Talmud** at 12:30 p.m.. Call 973-325-2411.

Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael, Springfield, holds a **job stress workshop** at 7:45 p.m. Call 973-376-0539.

WEDNESDAY, June 10

Slucker NCJW Center for Women, Livingston,

offers **Finding Your Way around the Internet**, 1-3 p.m. Registration is required and costs \$7. Call 973-994-4994 or visit centerforwomennj.org.

New Jersey State of Israel Bonds and Congregation Israel, Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael, and Temple Sha'arey Shalom honor Tracy and Keith Biebelberg and Jennifer and Joel Shulman with the **Israel Unity Award** at a gala dessert reception at 7:30 p.m. at Congregation Israel, Springfield. Call 973-994-0516.

THURSDAY, June 11

Bnai Keshet, Montclair, hosts **Coffee and Conversation** for prospective members at 7:30 p.m. RSVP to 973-746-4889 or bnaikeshet@bnaikeshet.org.

FRIDAY, June 12

White Meadow Temple, Rockaway, holds **Shabbat on the Beach** at 7 p.m. at Beach #1 by White Meadow Lake. Call 973-627-4500.

TUESDAY, June 16

Jewish Vocational Service of MetroWest hosts **Taste & Toast: JVS at 70: Honoring our Past...Celebrating Our Future** at 7 p.m. at Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, Short Hills. Contact eweiss@jvsnj.org or 973-674-6330, ext. 267, or visit www.jvsnj.org.

WEDNESDAY, June 17

Jewish Seniors Program at White Meadow Temple, Rockaway, holds an **anniversary luncheon celebration** with entertainer Flip Peters at 11:30 a.m. The lunch costs \$23, \$18

for members. RSVP by June 12 to 973-627-4716.

ONGOING

Tuesday Talmud is held at the Sachs, Maitlan offices in West Orange on Tuesdays, 12:30-2 p.m.; free. Call 973-325-2411.

Hebrew Reading Crash Course at the West Orange JCC on Sundays, 5-6:30 p.m.; six-week course; free; RSVP to 973-530-3519.

Israeli Dancing is held at Congregation Agudath Israel, Caldwell, Mondays at 8 p.m. The cost is \$5; call 973-226-3600.

Temple B'nai Abraham, Livingston, offers **Tot Time** for parents/caregivers and children ages 13 to 22 months on Mondays, 9:30-11 a.m., open to the community. Contact 973-994-7016 or dziering@tbanj.org.

It's Good to Know is held at Lubavitch Center of Essex County, West Orange, on Saturdays at 1:15 p.m.; call 973-731-0770.

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