Highlighting the Impact of Revel

To honor the eightieth anniversary of the founding of the Bernard Revel Graduate School, we highlight the impact that Revel has had on Jewish scholarship, education, and leadership worldwide. Inside this pamphlet are 80 publications, lectures, and courses presented by Revel faculty and alumni during Revel’s eightieth year. This is a sample of the hundreds of presentations delivered over the years.
**Rabbi Hayyim Angel**


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**Dr. Joseph Angel**


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**Rabbi Yitzchak Blau**

“Idolatry and Martyrdom,” *Torah U'Madda Journal*.

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**Dr. Elisheva Carlebach**

Essay in *Reimagined: 45 Years of Jewish Art* (Glitterati Inc., 2016).

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**Rabbi Shalom Carmy**


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**Dr. Yaakov Elman**


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**Dr. Steven Fine**


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**Dr. Ezra Frazer**


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**Dr. Jeffery Gurock**

Dr. Stu Halpern

Dr. David Hazony

Dr. Richard Hidary

Rabbi Howard Jachter
“Standing for Aseret HaDibrot? Not at a Sephardic Kehilla!,” The Jewish Link.

Rabbi Dr. Joshua Joseph

Dr. Ephraim Kanarfogel

Rabbi Yaakov Kermaier

Dr. Ronnie Perelis

Rabbi Dani Rockoff
“Planting the Light of Torah in the Heartland,” YU Tisha B’av TorahToGo.

Dr. Hayyim Rothman
Reason’s Rebellion, or Anarchism out of the Sources of Spinozism. Dissertation, Boston College.

Dr. Daniel Rynhold
Mr. Yoel Saidan
“Iran, Jewish and Beyond: Reflections of a Fellow,” Jewish Journal.

Dr. Shira Weiss

Rabbi Netanel Wiederblank
Illuminating Jewish Thought: Explorations of Free Will, the Afterlife, and the Messianic Era (Maggid Books, 2018).

Rabbi Shlomo Zuckier

COURSES

Rabbi Mendel Breitstein
Darchei Noam: Biblical Hebrew

Dr. Mordechai Cohen
Center for Judaic and Inter-Religious Studies at Shandong University: Jewish Bible Interpretation

Dr. Jonathan Dauber
Bernard Revel Graduate School: Secrecy in Jewish Thought

Dr. Joel Hecker
Reconstructionist Rabbinical College: Aggadic Process: The Body in Jewish Thought, Law and Lore

Dr. Elazar Hurvitz
Bernard Revel Graduate School: Textual Development of Mishna & Talmud

Dr. Yael Landman
Drisha: Stories and Statutes: Law and Biblical Narrative
Dr. Sid Leiman
2017 Barish Shabbat Limmud Scholars: The Bible and the Talmud in Light of the Dead Sea Scrolls

Dr. Jess Olson
Bernard Revel Graduate School: German Jewish Intellectual History

Rabbi Benjamin Samuels
Ma’ayan: Sefer Shoftim: Leadership amidst Lawlessness

Mrs. Moriah Weiss
Stern College: Personalities in Samuel

LECTURES

Rabbi Dovid Bashevkin
Apple and Coca-Cola: Geirim and Kohanim in the Jewish Tradition: Yeshiva University.

Rabbi Mordechai Becher
Mitzvot: Why Do We Do What We Do? Reasons, Effects, Causes and Guesses: Young Israel of Woodmere.

Dr. David Berger
Polemics and Prophethood in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam: University of Zurich, Switzerland.

Dr. Yitzchak Berger
Allusion and Meaning in the Book of Judges with Some Pushback on Methodology, Harvard University.

Dr. Ari Berman
Leadership for Tomorrow; Values for Tomorrow; Education for Tomorrow; Skillset Needed for Tomorrow: Inaugural Address, Yeshiva University.

Rabbi David Brofsky
Mishteh V’Yom Tov: The Relationship between Simchat Purim and Simchat Yom Tov: Queens College Hillel.
Ms. Mali Brofsky
*Modern Orthodoxy, the View from Israel:* Green Road Synagogue, Beachwood OH.

Ms. Suzanne Cohen
“*It’s not the IQ, It’s the RQ*: Yosef, Interpreter of Dreams — A Tribute to Rav Cooperman Z”L:* Beth Abraham, Teaneck, NJ.

Dr. Barry Eichler
Chaired a panel at the *Social Justice and Jewish Law Conference* hosted by Yeshiva University’s Bernard Revel Graduate School and The Jewish Law Association.

Rabbi Seth Farber
*An Inside Look at the Latest Controversies with the Chief Rabbinate, the American Rabbinate, and American Jewry:* Young Israel of Scarsdale, NY.

Rabbi Roy Feldman
*Reciting Hallel on Yom Ha’atzmaut:* Congregation Beth Abraham-Jacob, Albany, NY.

Rabbi Shaya First
*Five Weeks, Five Figures, Five Hundred Years of Medieval Jewish History:* Congregation Ahavath Torah, Englewood, NJ.

Mrs. Yael Goldfischer
*Ruth’s Ruthless Origins:* East Hill Synagogue, Englewood, NJ.

Ms. Blu Greenberg
*Where There is a Rabbinic Will, There is A Halakhic Way: Defense and Critique of a Controversial Construct:* Midreshet Ein Hanatziv.

Dr. Shalom Holtz
*Nebuchadnezzar on the World Stage: Geo-Political Perspectives of the Destruction of the First Temple:* Kehillat Yedidya, Jerusalem.

Mrs. Chumi Juni
*Questioning God: The Book of Job and the Uses of Philosophy:* JOFA, UK.

Dr. Joshua Karlip
*A Time of Soul Searching: The Yiddishist Intelligentsia and the Crisis of 1939:* Yeshiva University.
Rabbi Aryeh Klapper

Rabbi Akiva Koenigsberg
*Appreciating the Order of the Aseret Ha-Dibrot: Jewish Heritage Center of Queens.*

Mrs. Chaya Sima Koenigsberg
*The Murdered Eshet Chayil and the Medieval Reality of Mourning during Sefirah: Midreshet Yom Rishon, Yeshiva University.*

Dr. Aaron Koller
*Exploring Esther: Literacy, Political and Sociological Reflections on the Megillah: Lincoln Square Synagogue, Manhattan, NY.*

Dr. Michelle Levine
*Young Israel of Oceanside: Recording Nature’s Song in Sefer Tehillim*

Rabbi Aryeh Liebowitz
*Imitatio Dei: Classical and Innovative Understandings of Man's Obligation to Imitate God (panel discussion): Yeshivat Sha'alvim.*

Dr. Rafael Medoff

Dr. Ari Mermelstein
*Halakhah Grounded in Tradition or in Biblical Interpretaton? The Radical View of Rabbi Akiva and the Controversies It Stirred: Congregation Rinat Yisrael, Teaneck, NJ.*

Dr. Moshe Miller
*R. Samson Raphael Hirsch’s View of Non-Jews: Straus Center for Torah and Western Thought.*

Rabbi Adam Mintz
*Crime: Does it Pay? e.g., Julius and Ethel Rosenberg: Spies: Kehillat Rayim Ahuvim, Manhattan, NY.*
Rabbi Elie Mischel
Weekly lecture: Great Thinkers in Jewish History: Synagogue of the Suburban Torah Center, Livingston, NJ.

Rabbi David Nachbar
Don’t Forget to Forget – An Analysis of Memot altu veshaktah and Their Relevance to Shavuot - All Night Shiur for the Heikhal Shel Shavuot: Torah Academy of Bergen County, NJ.

Rabbi Francis Nataf
Hegel, History and Rebbe Akiva – A New Take on Sefirat HaOmer: Bayt Toronto.

Mrs. CB Neugroschl
Celebrating Yerushalayim: Unified & Unifying: Young Israel of Woodmere.

Rabbi Hillel Novetsky

Mrs. Jackie Rosensweig
The Centennial of the Bais Yaakov Movement: Stern College.

Rabbi Willie Roth
Smikha Controversy of the 16th Century: Congregation Israel, Springfield, NJ.

Rabbi Gidon Rothstein
Insights for a Meaningful Passover Experience: Congregation Havurat Yisrael, Forest Hills, NY.

Rabbi Jeffery Saks
But Always I Regarded Myself As One Who Was Born In Jerusalem (gallery talk): Yeshiva University Museum.

Dr. Shana Schick

Mrs. Shira Schiowitz
Calamity and Consolation: The Message of Yeshayahu HaNavi: Lamdeinu, Teaneck, NJ.
Rabbi Allen Schwartz
Ten Commandments in Tanach: Congregation Ohab Zedek, Manhattan, NY.

Dr. Shai Secunda
It’s Alive! – Golems, the Power of Torah, and the Possibilities of Creation: Stanton Street Shul, Manhattan, NY.

Rabbi Simmy Shabtai
Judaism’s Attitude Towards Other Spiritual Entities. Young Israel of Deerfield Beach, Fl.

Rabbi Yigal Sklarin
Private Acts of Chessed and the Promise of Eternity: Riverdale Jewish Center, NY.

Mrs. Racheli Taubes
How To Pray: University of Pennsylvania.

Rabbi Yaakov Taubes

Dr. Daniel Tsadik
Life and Exodus of Jews in Arab Lands: Bernard Revel Graduate School sponsored by the Israeli Consulate.

Rabbi Dr. Jeffrey Woolf
The World of the Rishonim: Yeshivat Har Etzion.

Dr. Joshua Zimmerman

Rabbi Jonathan Ziring
From Shlomo to the Destruction of Bayit Sheni: YU Torah miTzion Kollel Toronto.
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