# CAROLINA CENTER for JEWISH STUDIES

# PUBLIC EVENTS

# academic lectures

## community events

**He Was Like One of Us: Lincoln and American Jewry** Sylvia and Irving Margolis Lecture on the Jewish Experience in the American South Oct. 7, 7:30 p.m. / William and Ida Friday Center for Continuing Education



**GARY ZOLA**, executive director of the Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives and Professor at Hebrew Union College, will examine Abraham Lincoln's evolving relationship and long-term influence with the American Jewish community. The interesting history that links the 16th President and American Jewry ultimately "Judaized" Lincoln at the same time as it "americanized" the Jews.

#### The Future of the Jews: How Global Forces are Impacting the Jewish People, Israel and its Relationship with the United States

Nov. 18, 7:30 p.m. / William and Ida Friday Center for Continuing Education



**STUART EIZENSTAT '64**, who has held senior U.S. government positions in three presidential administrations, will share his provocative thesis regarding the future of the Jewish people in light of the major geopolitical, economic and security challenges facing the United States, Israel, and the world.

This lecture is made possible by a grant from the Charles H. Revson Foundation in honor of Eli N. Evans, '58.

# Excavating Armageddon: New Discoveries and Old Debates at Megiddo

Eli N. Evans Distinguished Lecture in Jewish Studies Feb. 10, 7:30 p.m. / William and Ida Friday Center for Continuing Education



**ERIC CLINE**, professor at The George Washington University and co-director of the Megiddo Expedition, will present an illustrated overview of excavations at the Mount of Megiddo, the actual physical location for Armageddon, the cataclysmic battle between good and evil, including a large Early Bronze Age temple, a palace and city gate, and unexpected finds from the 1948 War of Independence.

#### Allen Ginsberg and Kaddish

April 7, 7:30 p.m. / William and Ida Friday Center for Continuing Education



**BILL MORGAN**, renowned biographer of Allen Ginsberg, will explore what is arguably the poet's greatest work, "Kaddish for Naomi Ginsberg," one of the most emotional poems of the 20th century which Allen Ginsberg penned when a traditional mourner's kaddish could not be recited following his mother's death. Morgan will share photographs from the family's personal albums while discussing Naomi's life and Allen Ginsberg's writing.

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Kaplan-Brauer Lecture on the Contribution of Judaism to Civilization Oct. 14, 5:30 p.m. / Hyde Hall



**MOSHE ROSMAN**, professor at Bar Ilan University, will discuss how, beginning in the 16th century, European women attained higher cultural status by slowly moving from being cultural observers to being cultural actors in terms of synagogue participation, education, ritual behavior and literary habits.

#### Archives of Knowledge in an Age of Transition: The Encyclopaedia Judaica 1928–1934

February 24, 5:30 p.m. / Location TBA



**ARNDT ENGELHARDT**, of the Simon Dubnow Institute for Jewish History and Culture at the University of Leipzig, will explore the history of one of the most significant Jewish encyclopedias of the modern era, and how it sought to create a new canon of modern Jewish culture in the interwar period. *This lecture is made possible by a grant from the Charles H. Revson Foundation in honor of Eli N. Evans, '58.* 

#### Two Powers in Heaven? The Emergence of Binitarian Ideas in Pre-Christian Judaism

The Morris, Ida and Alan Heilig Lectureship in Jewish Studies March 24, 5:30 p.m. / Location TBA



**PETER SCHÄFER**, former professor of Jewish Studies and Religion and director of the Program in Judaic Studies at Princeton University, will examine the emergence of new ideas regarding more than just one divine power that arose in pre-Christian Judaism and how these ideas may have contributed to shaping New Testament Christianity.

#### **Early Modern Europe: Did Jews Make a Difference?** *March 26, 5:00 p.m. / Hyde Hall*

**MAGDA TETER**, professor of history and director of the Jewish and Israel Studies program at Wesleyan University, will explore how the small minority of Jews in Europe played key—and often understudied—roles in social, economic, and cultural life in the period from the Renaissance and the Reformation to the French Revolution. This lecture is the keynote address at a Carolina symposium on *Early Modern Europe and the Jews: A History of Mutual Impact*.

### <u>seminars</u>

#### The Uhlman Family Seminar

A continuing education seminar featuring faculty from UNC and elsewhere is planned for spring 2014. Please check our Web site for event topics, speakers, dates, and registration fees. This seminar is offered by the Program in Humanities and Human Values and is made possible by a grant from the Uhlman Family Fund. Pre-registration is required.

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