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Professor Yael Zerubavel

Director, The Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

May 17, 19, and 21, 2009

All lectures held in 220 Kane Hall, UW Seattle Campus
No charge to attend

Please join us for a special reception

Honoring Mrs. Althea Stroum and
Celebrating the naming of the
Samuel & Althea Stroum Jewish Studies Program

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Sunday, May 17: Bridges to Antiquity

lecture begins at 6:30 p.m.

Moderator: UW Prof. Gad Barzilai, Chair, Jewish Studies; JSIS; LSJ

Please join us for a kosher dessert reception honoring Mrs. Althea Stroum following the first lecture. RSVP requested.

Tuesday, May 19: Mirrors of Galut (Exile) in the Homeland

lecture begins at 7:30 p.m.

Moderator: UW Prof. Joel Migdal, JSIS, Jewish Studies

Thursday, May 21: When the New Becomes Old

lecture begins at 7:30 p.m.

Moderator: UW Prof. Paul Burstein, Sociology, Political Science, Jewish Studies

For more information about this series and the Jewish Studies Program, call 206-543-0138, email jewishst@u.washington.edu or visit jsis.washington.edu/jewish.

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This series is made possible through the generosity of the Samuel and Althea Stroum Endowed Lectures in Jewish Studies.

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Yael Zerubavel

Yael Zerubavel is professor of Jewish Studies and History at Rutgers and the founding Director of the Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life at the University. A leading expert on the study of Israeli memory and national culture, Zerubavel is the author of Recovered Roots: Collective Memory and the Making of Israeli National Tradition (University of Chicago Press, 1995), which won the 1996 Salo Baron Prize of the American Academy for Jewish Research.

Prof. Zerubavel's series, Encounters with the Past: Remembering the 'Bygone' in Israeli Culture, begins with the discussion of the ways in which Antiquity has been introduced into Israel's commemorative landscape as the foundation of Zionist ideology and claim to the land. The series continues with examining the changing attitudes toward Jewish Exile and its cultural traditions within contemporary Israeli culture, and concludes with the new commemorations of Israel's pioneering period which have transformed into an "old past." The discussion of these changes illuminates profound transformations in contemporary Israel and Israelis' understanding of their identities as well as their pasts.

Samuel & Althea Stroum Jewish Studies Program: A Special Reception

Please join us for a special reception honoring Mrs. Althea Stroum and celebrating the naming of the Samuel & Althea Stroum Jewish Studies Program at the University of Washington. The presentation and reception will begin immediately following Professor Zerubavel's first lecture on May 17.

Samuel (of blessed memory) and Althea Stroum have been benefactors of the Jewish Studies Program since its inception. Through their generous support for nearly 40 years, the Program has become the premier Jewish Studies program in the Northwest and a leading program worldwide, generating

exceptional scholarship and research in the field as well as producing annually the prestigious Stroum Lectures and associated book series through UW Press.

Because of the special nature of this reception, we kindly request that you RSVP.

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