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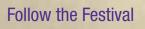
Located in the A&E Building Beit Midrash, right off the Main Lobby. Featuring all the authors' latest titles, plus some of their previous titles; and books by local Jewish authors too! **E-book ordering also available.**



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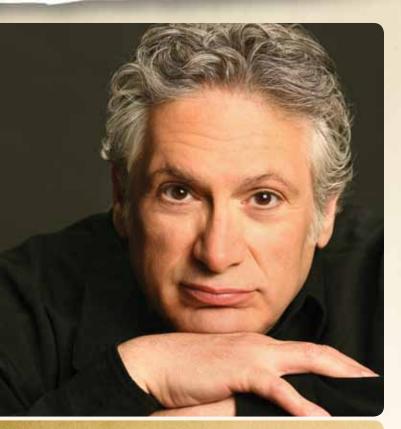
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Broadway legend and multiple Tony Award Winner... HARVEY FERSTEIN On-stage in conversation with Mike Isaacson, Executive Producer, The Muny



35th Annual Keynote Presentation

HARVEY FIERSTEIN

Sunday, November 3, 2013 7:00pm

Jewish Community Center Staenberg Family Complex 2 Millstone Campus Drive | St. Louis, Missouri 63146

General Admission \$40

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Come meet the Tony, Drama Desk, Drama League, Obie, and Dramatist Guild Award winner, inducted into the Theater Hall of Fame in 2008.

Fierstein, with his unmistakable, gravelly voice, first appeared off-Broadway in the 1970's. He set the theater world on fire with his originally underground hit "Torch Song Trilogy" in 1982, subsequently becoming more famous by the roles he played on Broadway in "Hairspray" and the record-breaking revival of "Fiddler on the Roof." The first person in history to win Tony awards as both an actor and a writer, on both the dramatic and musical sides of the theater world, Fierstein is the talented playwright behind more than 10 Broadway hits including: "Newsies," "Kinky Boots" and "La Cage aux Folles." A comedian, singer, songwriter, activist and author, Fierstein has written for, and starred on, television throughout the years, earning an Emmy nomination for his work on "Cheers," and numerous fans from his quest spots on: "Nurse Jackie," "How I Met Your Mother," "The Simpsons" and "The Good Wife." He has entertained young and old on the big screen, voicing Yao in the "Mulan" films; running from aliens in "Independence Day;" and helping Robin Williams get in touch with his feminine side in "Mrs. Doubtfire." As a social and political commentator, Fierstein's opinion pieces and essays have been featured on the series "In the Life," and on the Op-Ed pages of the New *York Times* and *Huffington Post*, among other publications. The HBO film version of Fierstein's children's book The Sissy Duckling won him the Humanitas Prize. The book, now in its 5th printing, will be available for purchase in the Festival Bookstore. Attendees will have the opportunity to get their books signed by Fierstein following his presentation.

Don't miss a single entertaining minute as Broadway comes to the Opening Night of the 35th annual St. Louis Jewish Book Festival!

Harvey Fierstein appears courtesy of Greater Talent Network, Inc.

Monday, November 4

1:00pm | \$18

ENCORE! Fiction Panel

Moderator: Ellen Futterman, Editor, St. Louis Jewish Light



Martin Fletcher JACOB'S OATH

The Emmy Award-winning broadcast journalist presents his heart-wrenching and heartwarming new thriller, set in post WWII Germany. After his brother is murdered in a concentration camp, Jacob vows vengeance on the sadistic guard who killed him. Yet when Jacob finds love with Sarah, a fellow survivor, can he keep his oath as the time and opportunity for taking revenge arrives?



Michael Lavigne

Winner of numerous awards for his first book *Not Me*, Lavigne's latest work confronts the moral questions surrounding religious extremism and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The story moves between an Israeli father injured in a terrorist attack; his 13-year old daughter longing for spiritual fulfillment; and the young Palestinian bomber seeking a martyr's reward, providing an intensely intimate and human depiction of the forces that unite, and powerfully divide, the region and its people.



Randy Susan Meyers THE COMFORT OF LIES

Unrequited love, a reluctant adoption, marriage and broken trust; *The Murderer's Daughters* author returns with a riveting exploration of infidelity's collateral damage, and the dark, private struggles many of us, both men and women, experience but rarely reveal.

Sponsored by: Terry & Harvey Hieken Co-Sponsored by: The Roundtable

7:30pm | \$20

Rebecca Rosen



AWAKEN THE SPIRIT WITHIN: 10 Steps to Ignite Your Life & Fulfill Your Divine Purpose

You've seen her on *The Dr. Phil Show* and *Nightline...*now meet her in person! Nationally recognized for her stunningly accurate ability to connect with spirits, Rosen follows up her bestseller *Spirited*, with an inspired 10-step program to give our lives clarity and deeper meaning, using the wisdom of the departed. With a unique, refreshing blend of self-help, wisdom, and spiritual insight, Rosen shares lessons on: conquering addictions, negative thinking, and finding freedom from weight struggles; as well as gaining confidence and creating peace and personal fulfillment.

Sponsored by: Regina Shapiro Co-Sponsored by: St. Martha's Hall

Tuesday, November 5

10:30am | \$15

Rabbi Marc Schneier & Imam Shamsi Ali



SONS OF ABRAHAM: A Candid Conversation about the Issues That Divide and Unite Jews and Muslims

Two orthodox religious leaders, the vice-president of the World Jewish Congress and the spiritual leader of New York City's largest Islamic Center, overcame mutual mistrust to denounce Anti-Semitism and Islamophobia; promote interfaith cooperation; and ultimately forge a friendship. Together they clarify

falsehoods put forth by extremists on both sides; encourage compassion; and challenge Jews and Muslims to stand together and move forward for peace.

The Festival joins the Foundation for Ethnic Understanding's 2013 Weekend of Twinning in working to build a global movement of Muslims and Jews committed to communication; reconciliation; cooperation and the well-being of our two communities, and the diverse societies we share in countries around the world. THE FOUNDATION FOR ETHNIC UNDERSTANDING www.ffeu.org

Sponsored by: Harriet Lipnick Co-Sponsored by: Barnes-Jewish Hospital Auxiliary Book Clubs: Midwest Jewish Congress

7:30pm | \$22

WOMEN'S SPECIAL EVENT Good Girls Getting "Hammer'd" – An Unconventional Evening

Includes Cocktails & Sweets at 7:00pm RSVPs REQUIRED to 314-442-3299/Groups of 9 may reserve tables in advance



Tania Grossinger MEMOIR OF AN INDEPENDENT WOMAN: An Unconventional Life Well Lived

Forging her own path in an era when women were expected to marry, stay home, and have children, Grossinger, who spent her childhood at the famous Grossinger's resort in the Catskills, founded her own PR firm. Representing such diverse clients as *The Feminine Mystique* and the Playboy Club, she rubbed shoulders with Ayn Rand, Timothy Leary, Jackie Robinson, and countless others. This brave memoir reveals a remarkable life.

Lynn Povich

THE GOOD GIRLS REVOLT: How the Women of Newsweek Sued their Bosses and Changed the Workplace

Editor-in-Chief of *Working Woman* magazine and managing editor/senior executive producer for MSNBC.com, Povich began her career as a secretary at *Newsweek*, in a time of sexual stereotyping. Povich was a ringleader when forty-six female employees filed a class action suit charging discrimination in hiring and promotion. In 1975, she became the first female senior editor in the magazine's history. This narrative offers timely lessons for working women and the companies that employ them.

"Lynn Povich turns this epic revolt into a lesson on why and how we've just begun." -Gloria Steinem

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Special Guest Host: Comedienne Wendy Hammers

With regular performances in Vegas, Atlantic City and Los Angeles; and appearances on *The Sopranos, Curb Your Enthusiasm, MTV, VH-1* and *Oprah*, Hammers tours the country with her awardwinning, one-woman comedy shows, sharing her hilarious rallying cry for women.

Co-Sponsored by: B'nai Amoona Sisterhood; Cultural Festivals; Kol Rinah Sisterhood; Kol Rinah Women's Social Group; J Associates; National Council of Jewish Women – St. Louis Section; SLU Review



Wednesday, November 6

10:30am | \$15

Stephanie Evanovich



BIG GIRL PANTIES

Former actress/comedienne Evanovich's entertaining debut is packed with wit, heart, and intelligence. Holly Brennan, too zaftig after finding consolation in food, surprises herself by saying "Yes" when a Greek-god lookalike personal trainer offers to help her break bad habits. A feel good romantic comedy, this sexy tale will have you racing to the gym. *Fitness-related Door Prizes

1:00pm | \$18

PREMIER! Fiction Panel

Moderator: Dr. J.L. Kemp, Associate Professor of Psychology, McKendree University



Jillian Cantor MARGOT

Using historical facts and an ingenious plot, Cantor brings Anne Frank and her sister new life, while giving one of them a chance at a better future. Two sisters were hidden in the Secret Annex; Anne, made famous by her diary, and Margot, nearly forgotten. Cantor creates a beautiful and redeeming new conclusion for a terrible chapter in history with this moving tale based on the question, what if Anne's sister did not die in Bergen-Belsen, but escaped the Nazis for America?



Austin Ratner IN THE LAND OF THE LIVING

From the author of *The Jump Artist* and winner of the Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature, comes the fresh and earnest story of fathers, sons, and brothers, bound by love yet divided by history. As the lovably neurotic Auberons make their way on a cross country road trip, their battles and reconciliations illuminate the power of family to both destroy and empower, and the price and rewards of independence.



Jeffrey Stepakoff

THE MELODY OF SECRETS

Acclaimed author and television producer, Stepakoff creates the compelling love story of Maria, a beautiful German violin virtuoso, and Cooper, a daring American fighter pilot, who have a chance meeting in the final days of WWII. Fifteen years later in Huntsville, Alabama. Maria is married to a German rocket scientist working on the burgeoning U.S. Space Program. Cooper re-enters her life when he joins the Space Program and is asked to spy on the foreign scientists. When Maria discovers her husband is not who he pretends to be, she is faced with deeply buried secrets that could threaten not only her marriage, but the country.

Sponsored by: Kitty & Hanford Gross; Nancy & Ken Kranzberg Co-Sponsored by: The Bookees

7:30pm | \$15

SPORTS NIGHT

Moderator: Tom Ackerman, Sports Director KMOX RADIO



AN AMERICAN CADDIE IN ST. ANDREWS: Growing Up, Girls, and Looping on the Old Course

Wait-listed at Harvard, Horovitz took his 1.8 handicap and spent a year at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland, where he became a caddie on the famed Old Course. This hilarious memoir is an irresistible, behind-the-scenes peek at the world's most celebrated golf course-and its equally famous caddie shack. Certain to entertain golfers and anyone who dares to remember stumbling into adulthood and searching for one's place in the world.

Ron Kaplan

501 BASEBALL BOOKS FANS MUST READ **BEFORE THEY DIE**

Sportswriter and blogger Kaplan's first book is a fun and useful quide for finding the best baseball books among the mounds of titles relating to this book-inspiring sport. Kaplan does not pretend to be anything but a longtime fan, knowledgeable and opinionated about both classic and obscure titles published since 1882. Only the best-read fans will fail to find something new in this handy reference.

"The ultimate guide to baseball literature. If you love baseball or books or any combination thereof, you should pick this up now."

-A. J. Jacobs

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Thursday, November 7

10:30am | \$15

Bill Minutaglio & Steven L. Davis



7:30pm | \$10

KRISTALLNACHT EVENT

DALLAS 1963

On the 50th anniversary of the Kennedy assassination comes the book focused not on conspiracy theories, but on the people, power, and politics in Dallas that created the stage for tragedy. The authors lead us through intimate glimpses of the Kennedy family, world affairs, the obsessed men in Dallas, and the climate of hatred that led many to blame the city for the president's death.

Sponsored by: Ann S. Lux

Jonathan Kirsch

THE SHORT, STRANGE LIFE OF

HERSCHEL GRYNSZPAN: A Boy Avenger,

a Nazi Diplomat, and a Murder in Paris The story of a teenager whose act of defiance 75 years ago had dire international consequences. On the morning of November 7, 1938, Herschel Grynszpan, a desperate seventeenyear-old Jewish refugee, walked into the German embassy in Paris and shot a Nazi diplomat. Two days later the Third Reich exploited the murder to unleash Kristallnacht—its horrific campaign of terror against Germany's Jewish citizens. Biblical scholar and newspaper columnist, Kirsch creates a compelling biography and page-turning historical thriller, re-examining the details of one of World War II's most enigmatic cases.

In partnership with the Holocaust Museum & Learning

Center - In Memory of Gloria M. Goldstein

Sponsored by: Kent & Deborah Hirschfelder Co-Sponsored by: Missouri Writers' Guild

Sunday, November 10

7:00pm | \$18

BALLET EVENT

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SAINTLOUIS BALLET Gen Horiuchi, Artistic Director



An Evening at the Ballet featuring scenes from classic and modern works, performed by the Saint Louis Ballet, the only professional dance company in St. Louis. Q&A with dancers and Artistic Director Gen Horiuchi, following performance.

At The Touhill Performing Arts Center - Lee Theater

Sponsored by: Mary Strauss; Goldstein & Pressman, P. C.; The Delmar Gardens Family





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November 3 – 17, 2013

Monday, November 11

9:30am | RSVPs REQUIRED 314-442-3299

Light breakfast refreshments courtesy of Nishmah's Sharsheret Support, increasing awareness of genetic risk & offering support for those affected by breast and related cancers.

10:30am | \$18

Letty Cottin Pogrebin



HOW TO BE A FRIEND TO A FRIEND WHO'S SICK Feminist, best-selling author, and cofounder of *Ms.* magazine, Pogrebin, a cancer survivor, presents a practical, sensitive and humorous guide to the dos and don'ts of caring for the ill; including plenty of helpful advice, with wise and witty lessons about a prized but neglected human trait: empathy. A handbook of kindness and care to help both patients and their friends.

Sponsored by: Cooperative Home Care; St. Luke's Hospital Co-Sponsored by: Nishmah

1:00pm | \$15

MISSOURI'S OWN PROGRAM Moderator: Carol Daniel, News Anchor KMOX RADIO



Marshall Cohen

ROUGH CUTS: A Man, A Plan and A Gym... Uplifting Stories from the St. Louis 'Hood

Overcoming learning disabilities, abuse and depression, Cohen has devoted his life to helping St. Louis city children find a purpose and build bright futures. With the recognition of such renowned figures as Colin Powell and football Hall of Famer Marshall Faulk, Cohen's Lift For Life Gym and the Lift For Life Academy charter school, have given city kids safe places to learn, gather, work out, and be surrounded by people who care.

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Linda Joffe Hull

The first installment in Hull's new series features mayhem, mystery and a crazy cast of characters. After her husband loses the family's savings in a Ponzi scheme, Maddie Michaels secretly moonlights as "Mrs. Frugalicious," an extreme couponing maven and author of a bargaining blog. When evidence points to Maddie as the prime suspect in a murder at the local mall, she must find the real killer before the police throw away her "get out of jail free" coupon.

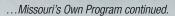


Michael Kahn

THE FLINCH FACTOR: A Rachel Gold Mystery

Kahn's eighth mystery featuring stunning and savvy lawyer Rachel Gold, opens with the suspicious death of a hunky contractor; two overlapping cases; and an eccentric judge. When witnesses begin disappearing, Rachel fears for the safety of her family. With support from Benny Goldberg, her crude but irrepressible best friend, and Jacki Brand, her fiercely loyal law partner, Rachel presses on to the final courtroom confrontation.





Pat Lorraine Simons BROTHERS ON THE RUN: Fleeing Hitler, Fighting Franco

Based on the true story of her father and uncle, Simons, founder of Ready Readers, takes you on a high-velocity ride. Two teenage Jewish brothers barely escape death at the Nazis' hands in pre-World War II Europe only to find themselves crisscrossing the continent as refugees living on luck, daring, and wits. Denied entry into the U.S., the boys enlist as soldiers in the Spanish Civil War—a fateful decision that indelibly scars them and serendipitously opens the door to freedom.



Moderator: Carol Daniel ALL I EVER WANTED: Relationships, Marriage, Family

Be inspired and encouraged by Daniel's amazing life as she juggles one husband, two sons, two jobs and sleep deprivation! Daniel, news anchor for KMOX, 30-year veteran of broadcasting and award-winning columnist, writes about marriage, motherhood and politics.

Sponsored by: The Rubin Family Foundation

7:30pm | \$15

Neil Barofsky



BAILOUT: How Washington Abandoned Main Street While Rescuing Wall Street

A riveting account of Barofsky's high-level experiences in the Bush and Obama administrations after becoming special inspector general, and overseeing the spending of the \$700 billion TARP bailout fund. Candid and hard-hitting, this book is an exceptionally informative insider's play-by-play of what went wrong during the Great Recession rescue; and why the banks have only become bigger and more dangerous in the wake of the crisis.

"[One] of our favorite business books so far this year..."

- Bloomberg BusinessWeek

"Witty and entertaining...you've gotta get this. It's unbelievable."

-The Daily Show - Jon Stewart

Sponsored by: Pulaski Bank; Gloria & Sanford Spitzer; Eidelman & Traub DDS, Inc.

Tuesday, November 12

10:30am | \$15

David Laskin



THE FAMILY: Three Journeys Into the Heart of the Twentieth Century

Laskin explores his heritage and honors the traditions, lives, and choices of his ancestors in an engaging family history that spans the 20th century. His family split off into three branches: one immigrated to America and founded the Maidenform[®] Bra Company; one went to Palestine as pioneers and participated in the birth of the State of Israel; and the third remained in Europe and was lost in the Holocaust. Through family letters and personal stories, the compelling narrative brings these individuals to life as we witness their triumphs and tragedies in vivid detail, and at times in their own voices.

Co-Sponsored by: NA'AMAT USA St. Louis Council

1:00pm | \$15

Mark Cohen



OVERWEIGHT SENSATION: The Life & Comedv of Allan Sherman

The first biography of the talented, internationally famous rhymester who sold three million albums in one year and counted The Marx Brothers and President Kennedy among his fans. With exclusive access to Sherman's estate, Cohen shares the life story, and lost recordings, of the talent who catapulted Jewish humor into American mainstream, yet died young and nearly forgotten. **Music & Special Guests*

Sponsored by: Lois C. Levin Co-Sponsored by: The Booksters; St. Louis NORC; The Mah Jong Book Club

7:30pm | \$15

Daniel Jonah Goldhagen



THE DEVIL THAT NEVER DIES: The Rise and Threat of Global Antisemitism

A groundbreaking—and terrifying—examination of the widespread resurgence of antisemitism, by the prize-winning and internationally bestselling author of *Hitler's Willing Executioners*. Antisemitism is openly spread by intellectuals, politicians and religious leaders in Europe, Asia, the Arab world, America and Africa, and supported by hundreds of millions of people. It is stronger today than at any time since the Holocaust, and is omnipresent in contemporary culture, from Mel Gibson to the United Nations. Goldhagen presents a frightening picture of a demon so many fail to recognize.

Sponsored by: Myrtle & Bernard Kornblum's Changing World Fund; Paul & Betty Mendelson

Wednesday, November 13

10:30am | \$15

Glen Berger



SONG OF SPIDER-MAN: The Inside Story of the

Most Controversial Musical in Broadway History Never in the history of Broadway has there been anything like *Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark.* Lampooned by reviewers, loved and loathed by audiences, and boldly envisioned by its producers, *Spider-Man* has forever made its mark in pop culture history. Emmy Award-winning television writer, and *Spider-Man* co-writer, Berger gives the ultimate fly-on-the-wall account of how despite terrible reviews, numerous accidents, astronomical costs and public ridicule, *Spider-Man* went on to become one of the top ten highest-grossing musicals in the history of Broadway.

Sponsored by: Peabody Opera House Broadway Series

8:00pm | \$20

COMEDY NIGHT Laughing at Life!



Marion Grodin STANDING UP: A Memoir of a Funny (Not Always) Life

Having not only survived breast cancer and divorce, but also, various addictions including an inappropriate relationship with Haagen-Dazs, Grodin, a stand-up comedienne, and daughter of actor Charles Grodin, integrates her diverse and challenging life experiences and unstoppable ability to make everything funny in a cleverly written memoir.

Fred Stoller

MAYBE WE'LL HAVE YOU BACK: The Life of a Perennial TV Guest Star

Everyone can relate to searching for their next big break. Stoller, a stand-up comedian, has been on just about every sitcom you've seen on TV, but he's never found a steady gig. When it comes to Hollywood, it's a case of always the bridesmaid and never the bride; except in his case he's always the snarky waiter, the mopey cousin, or Man #2. Stoller shares hilarious stories of great adventures pounding the Hollywood pavement, while his skeptical, yet loving mother waits by the phone in Brooklyn.

Sponsored by: Maryville University School of Adult and Online Education; Heartland Bank



Thursday, November 14

10:30am | \$15

Anne Serling



AS I KNEW HIM: My Dad, Rod Serling

Through personal photos, letters and beautifully rendered scenes of childhood, war years, and family time, Twilight Zone creator Rod Serling's daughter shares an affectionate and candid look at the imposing figure the public only got to see in black-and-white images on television. In this tribute to the love between father and daughter, Serling illuminates the political and pop culture of the turbulent 1960s while delving into her father's legacy as a visionary storyteller, humanist, and social justice advocate, as well as her own grief following his unexpected death at fifty.

"A haunting and beautifully written memoir...." —Robert Redford

Co-Sponsored by: B'nai B'rith St. Louis Missouri Lodge

1:00pm | \$15

Linda Daly



THE LAST PILGRIMAGE:

My Mother's Life and Our Journey to Saying Goodbye The moving, compelling, sometimes funny story of a dying mother and her daughter on a cross-country trip in search of a cure. Daly celebrates her mother, Nancy, co-founder of the Children's Action Network, member of the President's Commission on Children, and former first lady of Los Angeles, for her remarkable achievements and long, valiant fight against pancreatic cancer. A convert to Judaism and environmental activist, Daly shares her own spiritual journey and search for identity in this tender tribute to her mother, and the sadness she feels at her loss.

"A gorgeous love story and spiritual travelogue wrapped in a wonderfully written, funny, and fantastic memoir." –Jamie Lee Curtis

Sponsored by: Maxine & Steven Mirowitz Co-Sponsored by: Adult Day Center at the JCC

7:30pm | **\$18**

Stuart Eizenstat



THE FUTURE OF THE JEWS: How Global Forces Are Impacting the Jewish People, Israel, and its Relationship with the United States

LIVE, on-stage interview with Nathan Guttman, Washington correspondent, *The Jewish Daily Forward*

A senior diplomat of international reputation, Eizenstat served under three Presidents; as U.S. Ambassador to the European Union and Deputy Secretary of the Treasury. He offers a provocative analysis of the major challenges facing the world, the Jewish world and United States in particular; the direction of the Muslim world; and issues relating to Israel as a Jewish state, and its relationship with the U.S.

"Eizenstat's remarkable book is a brilliant, insightful and illuminating analysis of the global trends that are poised to have a particularly devastating impact on America, Israel and the West." –Henry A. Kissinger

This program generously funded by the Lubin-Green Foundation, a supporting foundation of the Jewish Federation of St. Louis

Sponsored by: Joseph & Geraldine Burstein; Marsha & David Soshnik Co-Sponsored by: American Jewish Committee – St. Louis

Friday, November 15

8:00am | RSVPs REQUIRED 314-442-3299

Light breakfast refreshments courtesy of Shaare Emeth Congregation

8:30am | \$15

2013 BIG Jewish Community READ



Fania Oz-Salzberger JEWS & WORDS

Why are words so important to the Jewish people? Father and daughter, novelist Oz* and historian Oz-Salzberger use a blend of storytelling and instruction, conversation and argument, to tell the tales behind Judaism's most enduring names, songs, disputes, texts, and quips. Full of learning, lyricism, and humor, this work offers an extraordinary look into the words at the heart of Jewish culture, and the connections between our generations. *Due to health issues Amos Oz is unable to travel.

"Ingenious and thrilling, Jews and Words manages to cram more than 5,000 years of prayers, songs, stories, arguments, praises, curses and jokes into the suitcase of a thin, page-turning work of...what? History? Anthropology? Literary criticism? Theology? All of these and more. It's a wonderful book." –Jonathan Safran Foer

At Shaare Emeth Congregation

Sponsored by: Diane & Paul Gallant Co-Sponsored by: St. Louis Kabbalah Centre Bookstore; Temple Israel Sisterhood

Sunday, November 17

7:00pm | \$22

CONCERT EVENT

DAVID HALEN'S FAVORITES St. Louis Symphony Musicians with David Halen



Celebrating 10 years of partnership with the St. Louis Symphony, featuring performance & programming graciously created under the direction of Concertmaster Halen. A classical evening featuring Tchaikovsky and other favorites.

At Washington University's 560 Music Center in the Delmar Loop

Sponsored by: Eileen Schneider Edelman; In Loving Memory of Rubin Feldman by Gloria K. Feldman & Family; Alyn & Marlyn Essman; Alan & Sue Wallach



The Festival's Concert Event joins the Daniel Pearl Foundation's World Music Days Harmony for Humanity, in using the power of music to lift people above the differences that set them apart; and reaffirming the ideals of tolerance, friendship and humanity.



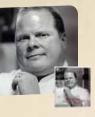
ADDITIONAL AUTHOR EVENTS

October 2013

Thursday, October 10 | 7:30pm | FREE WALKING IN THE SHADOW OF TYRANNY

Featuring Noemi Karpati Neidorff, Dr. Robert E. Lefton and Dr. Linda Pitelka

An exploration and discussion of Jewish life in Hungary under Communist rule. following the Nazi devastation of WW II; based on the continually optimistic and amazing survival of Alicia Karpati.



Thursday, October 17 | 7:30pm | \$15 **ROOK COOKS...Kosher!**

Annie Gunn's Chef Lou Rook III

ROOK COOKS: Simplicity at Its Finest

Renowned Annie Gunn's chef shares a collection of his favorite recipes along with Missouri wine pairings. Recipes perfect for the home cook...from the "knucklehead" to the kitchen pro. Enjoy special kosher versions of recipes for sampling.



Wednesday, October 23 | 7:30pm | \$18 Abraham Foxman

VIRAL HATE: Containing Its Spread on the Internet

The anonymity of the Internet is used to bully and spread lies, without fear of repercussion. Foxman, the National Director of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) reveals today's struggle to reconcile freedom of speech issues faced by Facebook, YouTube, and Google, with the disturbing threat posed by today's purveyors of hate; and shares tools citizens can use to fight back.

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December 2013

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Thursday, December 12 | 7:30pm | \$15 Ari Shavit

MY PROMISED LAND: The Triumph & Tragedy of Israel

A groundbreaking and authoritative examination of Israel by one of the most influential Israeli journalists writing about the Middle East today. Shavit offers revealing stories and rare access to people from across Israel's political, economic, and social spectrums.

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January 2014

Tuesday, January 14 | 7:30pm | \$8 **COMMUNITY MARTIN LUTHER KING EVENT: Continuing** the Search for Civil Rights & Social Justice



Vida "Sister" Prince

THAT'S THE WAY IT WAS: Stories of Struggle, Survival and Self-Respect in **Twentieth Century Black St. Louis**

Segregation was a way of life in St. Louis, once called "the most southern city in the North." Chairman of the Oral History Project at the Holocaust Museum and Learning Center in St. Louis, Prince offers thirteen oral histories from the St. Louis African American community, describing the daily struggles and pervasive racism faced; and the strong self-respect they built on their own terms.

T.K. Thorne

LAST CHANCE FOR JUSTICE: How Relentless Investigators Uncovered New Evidence Convicting the Birmingham Church Bombers

Thorne, former precinct captain of the Birmingham Police Department, gives an insider's view of the investigation behind the 50-year-old civil rights-era cold case: the long-

silent witnesses; and the legacy of racism and resistance in Birmingham, from Bull Connor's brutal policing methods to the coalition of activist black churches. Revealing the best and worst in human nature, Thorne's story is a stunning reminder of just how tough the fight for civil rights, and justice, has been. *Featuring a Special Presentation

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April 2014



Thursday, April 3 | 7:30pm | \$18 SUPERHEROES EVENT

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SUPERMAN: The High-Flying History of America's Most Enduring Hero

Seventy-five years after Superman came to life, New York Times bestselling author Tye has written the first definitive history of the Man of Steel.

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PRIVATE RECEPTIONS with the Authors for Sponsors

Sponsors will enjoy three private receptions at this year's Festival...meeting authors, taking photos and delighting in fabulous food at each one!

Opening Night, Sunday, November 3

Following the Keynote Presentation, sponsors are invited to a delicious dessert reception featuring an array of sweets and a gourmet coffee bar; picture taking; music; and guest of honor Harvey Fierstein! Reception to take place, beginning at approximately 8:15pm, in the Carl & Helene Mirowitz Performing Arts Center at the J's A&E Building.

Comedy Night, Wednesday, November 13

Prior to the hilarity of Comedy Night, sponsors are invited to meet guests of honor, comedians Marion Grodin and Fred Stoller, partake in exclusive table seating with sumptuous snacks, drinks, and laughs. Reception to begin at 6:45pm at the J. Location TBA.

Closing Night of the Festival, Sunday, November 17

Prior to the Concert Event, from 4:00-6:00pm, sponsors will enjoy a sensational supper buffet plus musical entertainment at the marvelous Marriott West Maryville's Blue Fire Grille Restaurant, 660 Maryville Centre Drive, St. Louis, MO 63141.

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Jonathan Kirsch THE SHORT, STRANGE LIFE OF HERSCHEL GRYNSZPAN: A Boy Avenger, a Nazi Diplomat, and a Murder in Paris

The story of a teenager whose act of defiance 75 years ago had dire international consequences. On the morning of November 7, 1938, Herschel Grynszpan, a desperate seventeen-year-old Jewish refugee, walked into the German embassy in Paris and shot a Nazi diplomat. Two days later the Third Reich exploited the murder to unleash Kristallnacht—its horrific campaign of terror against Germany's Jewish citizens. Biblical scholar and newspaper columnist, Kirsch creates a compelling biography and page-turning historical thriller, re-examining the details of one of World War II's most enigmatic cases.

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