

YOM LIMMUD 2025 | SCHEDULE OF THE DAY

8 AM–8:45 AM Registration

9 AM–10 AM Class Session #1

10:15 AM–11:15 AM Opening Program & Keynote Speaker

11:15 AM–2 PM Lunch Available

11:30 AM–12:30 PM Class Session #2

11:30 AM–1 PM Class Session #3

11:30 AM–2:30 PM Escape Room Experience

12:45 PM–1:45 PM Class Session #4

1:30 PM–3 PM Class Session #5

2 PM–3 PM Class Session #6

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Class Title	Presenter
Session 1: 9–10 AM	
Combating Contemporary Antisemitism	Dean Bell °
Finding Light in Darkness: Lessons from Survivors	Keren Blankfeld
Israeli Folk Dance Workshop	David Bullet & Katya Malaya
Navigating the "Israel Conversation"	Dr. Benji Davis *
Portable Walls – Deep Foundations	Rabbi Scott Hausman-Weiss
Death Comes for the Warrior: King David's Struggles with Grief	Rabbi Oren Hayon
A Jewish Response to Christian Nationalism	Alfred Kahn
Kedusha 101	Yonathan Reches °
At the Crossroads: Looking Back on the American Judaism That Was, That Is, and Where It May Be Going	Rabbi David Rosen
Caring for LGBTQ+ Clients Across the Life Cycle	Joy Villarreal-Belford
An Unruly Approach to Jewish Advocacy	Lauren Wittenberg Weiner

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9:15 – 9:45 AM	
Teen Exclusive: Jewish and Zionist Identity on College Campuses	Dr. Mijal Bitton
Keynote Speaker: 10:15 – 11:15 AM	
The American Jewish Experience – Identity, Problems & Solutions for a Stronger Judaism	Dr. Mijal Bitton
Session 2: 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	
The Place of All Possibility: Unlocking Imagination and Creativity for a Thriving Jewish Future	Rabbi Adina Allen
When a Family Wears the Uniform: Stories of Resilience from Israel	David Bullet & Katya Malaya
Isaac Unbound: Creating Your Own Midrash	Rabbi Paul Citrin °
How to Speak to a "Fool": on Discourse in a Hyperpartisan Age	Rabbi Edwin Goldberg
Reframe Your Approach with Early Learners	Amy Schraier
Being a Shlichah After October 7th	Hilla Tambour
How Israel Wins	Rabbi Moishe Traxler
Stop the Bleed	Al Tribble
US Campus Antisemitism – How Did We Get Here?	Moshe Vardi
YAD Exclusive: Lunch and Learn Building a Grassroots Jewish Community	Dr. Mijal Bitton
Session 3: 11:30 AM – 1 PM	
Approaches to Israel Education	Dr. Benji Davis *
The Evolving Jewish Family: Interfaith Marriages and Their Impact	Rebecca Lindenbaum
11:30 AM – 2:30 PM	
Escape Room Experience: Uncover the truths about antisemitism and anti-Zionism (New session every 30 minutes)	Jeny Dementeva

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Session 4: 12:45 – 1:45 PM	
Jewish Languages Today: Endangerment and Resilience	Sarah Benor
"The Struggle for Peace" – October 7th and its Aftermath	Stuart Dow
We Survive and Thrive: Traditional Sources on Resilience	Rabbi Gideon Estes
The Kabbalah of Resilience	Rabbi Dovid Goldstein
The Unfolding of the Human Soul – Nefesh, Ruach and Neshamah Through the Lens of the Zohar	Rabbi David Lipper
What to Say and Do When You Don't Know What To Say and Do in the Face of Antisemitism	Dena Marks
Diving Into the Passover Seder (Before We Dive into the Feast)	Rabbi Steven Morgen
Unpacking the War and its Greatest Debates	Avi Posen
JEW ARE YOU? Jewish Identity and the Winning Answer to Antisemitism	Rabbi Yitzchok Schmukler
Session 5: 1:30 – 3 PM	
A Really Gid Experience – Learning the Traditional Craft of Spinning Gid, Sinew Thread	Yonathan Reches ^o
Intro to LGBTQ+ Belonging	Joy Villarreal-Belford
Session 6: 2 – 3 PM	
Savor the Tradition: Shabbat Salads Made Simple	Shir Benjamin
Archeology and the Exodus from Egypt	Dr. David Ilan **
Spiritual Resilience in Times of Crisis: Lessons from the Piasezner Rebbe's Work "Esh Kodesh"	Rabbi Eitan Krul
Heaven, Hell and Afterlife: What Judaism Believes and Why it Matters	Rabbi Chaim Lazaroff
What Would You Do if You Weren't Afraid?	Michal Oshman ^o
Unpacking October 7th Through Music	Avi Posen
Is it Really That Bad on Campus These Days?	Rabbi Shmuli Slonim
What Would King Solomon Do? An Imagery Meditation on the Illuminations of King Solomon	Nanette Tashnek
Mashber: Resilience, Gaza-Envelope Style	Leon Wiener Dow

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2 PM – 3:30 PM
THE WANDERERS by Anna Zeigler (Requires separate ticket purchase.)
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM
Jon Nelson's Rockin' Kids Revue (Requires separate ticket purchase.)

- * Shirley Barish Education Scholar
- ** Horvitz Scholar
- ° Barish Shabbat Limmud Scholar

Class locations are subject to change.