

# THE 8<sup>TH</sup> POLISH – ISRAELI YOUNG SCHOLARS WORKSHOP on the History and Culture of Polish Jews

June 24-26,  
2024

University of Haifa /  
Givat Haviva

## DAY 1 (24.06.24)

University of Haifa, Library Building, hall 146

14:45 Gathering

15:15 Opening

15:30 Keynote lecture: Gershon  
Bacon (Bar Ilan University)

From Generation to Generation: on the  
Trajectories of Polish Jewish Studies over  
the Past Five Decades

16:15 Special talk: Moshe Rosman and  
Gershon Bacon talk in memory of prof.  
Gershon D. Hundert

16:30 Session 1: In memory of Gershon  
D. Hundert (Chair: Anat Vaturi)

Mikołaj Wojciechowski (University of  
Wrocław) The Care of the Dead in the  
Period Before the Jewish Burial Society in  
the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth

Samuel Glauber (Ben Gurion University)  
Past, Present, and Future: Jewish Fortune-  
Telling in the Polish Lands in the Long Turn  
of the Century

17:30-17:45 Break

17:45 Opening of the Exhibition:  
Artur Szyk: The Man of Dialogue

19:00 Reception

20:15 Ride to Givat Haviva

## DAY 2 (25.06.24)

Givat Haviva

9:15 Session 2: Interwar Period  
(Chair: Marcos Silber)

Katarzyna Thomas (Ariel University)  
Rethinking Jewish Presence in Polish  
Borderlands- Case of Truskawiec Health  
Resort

Ruthie Kaplan (University of Haifa):  
Directories, Tax Records, and Ego-  
Documents – Sources for a Spatial  
Research of the Jewish Community in Łódź  
during the Interwar Period

Maciej Ratajczyk (University of Poznań):  
„In Transition”. Introductory Remarks on  
Hebrew Party Press in Interwar Poland

10:45 Coffee Break

11:00 Session 3: Culture  
(Chair: Aviv Livnat)

Agnieszka Jeż (ŻIH): Music and Dance and  
Their Function in the Ideological Formation  
in Polish Kibbutzim in the Interwar Period

Anna Nienartowicz (University of  
Wrocław): Yiddish Engaged Theatre

12:00 Coffee Break

12:15 Session 4: Literature  
(Chair: Dorota Burda-Fischer)

Aleksandra Naróg (Jagiellonian University):  
Bruno Schulz: the Affect and the Politics of  
Memory

Karolina Koporowska (Jagiellonian  
University): Displaced Landscapes.  
Re-shaping Identity of the Birthplace in the  
Poetry of Avrom Sutzkever

13:15-14:15 Lunch

14:15-14:45 Individual Consultations

14:45 Session 5: Education, Children  
and Youth (Chair: Uriel Gellman)

Chaya Lewis (Tel Aviv University):  
Hasidism, Education and Modernization:  
Three Trends.

Meirav Reuveny (Tel Aviv University):  
Tushiya and the Creation of Hebrew  
Children's Culture in turn of the Centuries  
Warsaw

Yael Levi (Harvard University): People Here  
are Good, Yet No Vigilance, No Vigor”:  
Emotional Patterns in the Youth Movement  
Gordonia, 1920s-1930s

Marta Dudzik-Rudkowska (University  
of Warsaw): Bring Out Your Readiness.  
Agency and Strengthening as Educational  
Tools in the Writings of the Piaseczner  
Rebbe

16:45 Coffee Break

17:00 Session 6: Holocaust and its  
memory (Chair: Havi Dreyfuss)

Osher Leizer (University of Haifa) “Wines,  
Cognac and Liqueurs “Continuity and  
Transformation in Café Culture in Interwar  
and WWII Warsaw

Galina Lochekhina (Ariel University): The  
North Unknown: Sites of Polish Jewish  
Exile in the European North of the USSR,  
1939-1941

Eliahu Klein (Tel Aviv University): In the  
Shadow of the Partisan Activity: Jewish  
and Non- Jewish Relations in the Parczew  
Forests, 1942-1944

Yossi Kugler (Yad Vashem): “The Poles  
Were Worse than the Germans.” Revisiting  
Israeli Attitudes Towards the Role of Poles  
in the Holocaust.

19:00 Dinner

## DAY 3 (26.06.24)

Givat Haviva

9:30 Session 7: Between Jews and  
Communism (Chair: Scott Ury)

Katarzyna Kwiatkowska-Moskalewicz  
(University of Heidelberg): Strangers  
Among Their Own. Political and Identity  
Dilemmas of Polish Communists of Jewish  
Origin

Tom Navon (University of Haifa): Return to  
the Ghetto? Polish Communists or Jewish  
Fighters

10:30 Coffee Break

10:45 Session 8: Postwar Period  
(Chair: Yechiel Weizman)

Łukasz Kałużny (University of Warsaw):  
Rabbi David Kahane as a Spiritus Movers  
of Revitalisation of the Jewish Religious  
Congregations in the Communist Period in  
Poland

David Rubinstein (Cornell University):  
Bridging Divides: Towards an Integrated  
History of Mass Displacement in Poland's  
New Wild West

Yael Paulina Robinson Gottfeld (Tel Aviv  
University): Experiences of Mixed, Polish-  
Jewish Families in Poland, 1944-1950:  
Negotiating Community Borders

12:15 Closing remarks and light lunch

12:45 – 14:00 Seminar with Moreshet  
(Noam Leibman)