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THE WHOLE MEGILLAH CONFERENCE ON JEWISH STORY
SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2014
TEMPLE EMANU-EL IN NEW YORK CITY
TOGETHER WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF JEWISH LIBRARIES

The first The Whole Megillah Conference on Jewish Story, together with the Association of Jewish Libraries, is planned for Sunday, May 18, 2014 at Temple Emanu-El in New York City. The full-day event features several panels:

KEYNOTES

- > **Peninnah Schram**, Storyteller, Professor of Speech and Drama, Yeshiva University's Stern College
- > **Samuel Norich**, Publisher, *The Jewish Daily Forward*

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

- > **Deborah Heiligman**, author of *Intentions*, winner of the 2013 Sydney Taylor Book Award for Teen Readers
- > **Susan Lynn Meyer**, author of *Black Radishes*, a 2011 Sydney Taylor Honor recipient for Older Readers
- > **Rebecca Short**, Assistant Editor, Delacorte Press/Random House
- > **April Halprin Wayland**, author of *New Year at the Pier*, a 2010 Sydney Taylor Book Award Winner for Younger Readers.

MEMOIR

- > **Ellen Cassedy**, author of *We Are Here*, winner of the Grub Street National Book Prize for Nonfiction
- > **Joy Ladin**, author of *Through The Door of Life: A Jewish Journey Between the Genders*, 2012 National Jewish Book Award finalist
- > **Nancy K. Miller**, author of *What They Saved: Pieces of a Jewish Past* and other memoirs
- > **Tahneer Oksman**, Jewish women in comics

POETRY

- > **Michal Mahgerefteh**, Editor, *Poetica Magazine*
- > **Joy Ladin**
- > **Elana Bell**, author of *Eyes, Stones*, winner of the 2011 Walt Whitman Award

FICTION

- > **Nora Gold**, Editor, *Jewishfiction.net*
- > **Elinor Lipman**, author of *The Inn at Lake Devine*
- > **Erika Dreifus**, author of *Quiet Americans: Stories*

SPECIAL FEATURES

docent-led tour and hands-on writing inspired by Jewish art

On Monday, May 19, interested attendees are welcome to visit the Jewish Museum for special events:

- > A special docent-led tour of the museum
 - > A hands-on writing session, inspired by the museum's art
- Extra fees apply.

For more information, sign up for a free newsletter

Sign up here to receive news and registration information on this upcoming conference.

CONFERENCE/REGISTRATION INFO

May 18, 2014
9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Temple Emanu-El
1 E 65th St
New York City, NY 10065

\$125 for the day, \$50 for Monday hands-on writing session at the Jewish Museum; early bird registration, \$115 until March 1, 2014



ABOUT BARBARA KRASNER, President and Publisher

Dedicated to telling the story of the Jews then and now

A former coordinator of the annual Jewish Children's Book Writers & Illustrators Conference, Barbara continues to be dedicated to Jewish story. She launched The Whole Megillah LLC to expand the breadth and depth of her popular blog, The Whole Megillah | the Writer's Resource for Jewish Story. Barbara holds an M.F.A in Writing for Children & Young Adults from the Vermont College of Fine Arts and is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Douglass College with a B.A. in German. She is the published author of several books, hundreds of articles, and numerous short stories and poems. Her first picture book, *Goldie Takes a Stand! Golda Meir's First Crusade*, debuts September 2014 (Kar-Ben Publishing). Barbara teaches creative writing in the English department of William Paterson University in New Jersey and is a member of the Sydney Taylor Book Award Committee, sponsored by the Association of Jewish Libraries.