

March 2013

Congregation B'nai B'rith

Monthly Program Guide



Daniel Matt is one of the world's leading authorities on Kabbalah. He has published over ten books, including *The Essential Kabbalah and Zohar: Annotated and Explained*. Daniel is currently translating and annotating the Zohar, the masterpiece of Kabbalah. For this work, Daniel has been honored with a National Jewish Book Award and a Koret Jewish Book Award. The Koret award called his translation "a monumental contribution to the history of Jewish thought." Dr. Matt has been featured in Time Magazine, and has appeared on National Public Radio and the History Channel. For twenty years, he served as professor at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California, and has also taught at Stanford University and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Daniel lives in Berkeley, California with his wife Hana.

NORBERT AND CHARLOTTE RIEGER
SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE WEEKEND

PROFESSOR DANIEL C. MATT

From Kabbalah to the Big Bang: Ancient Wisdom and Contemporary Spirituality

March 1

Friday Night Shabbat Service

6:00 pm

Guest Sermon:

Shekhinah: The Feminine Half of God
One of the boldest contributions of Kabbalah is the idea that God is equally female and male. Daniel Matt will briefly trace the development of Kabbalah and then focus on the concept of Shekhinah (the feminine aspect of God).

March 3

Sunday Morning Live

Breakfast 8:45 am

Program 9:45 am

**God and the Big Bang:
Discovering Harmony Between
Science and Spirituality**

Explore the parallels between Kabbalah and contemporary cosmology. Is there a way to harmonize these two approaches, the scientific and the spiritual?

Looking Ahead

April 7 Sunday Morning Live

Rabbi Steve Gutow, President & CEO
Jewish Council for Public Affairs (JCPA)

Rabbi Gutow is recognized as one of the nation's most influential rabbis by Newsweek and as one of the nation's top Jewish leaders by the Forward. JCPA is an advocate of a strong U.S.-Israel relationship. Its domestic programs include: Fighting Poverty with Faith and Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life.

Events take place at CBB unless otherwise noted. View our Friday evening services via live stream at www.cbbsb.org. We welcome everyone to all events and services.

For more details see www.cbbsb.org or call 964-7869

MARCH

1 Friday
RIEGER SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE
 5:30 pm Pre-Neg Wine & Cheese
 6:00 pm Shabbat Service
 with Adult Choir
Guest Sermon:
Professor Daniel C. Matt
see front cover for details

2 Saturday
 9:00 am **Torah Study**
with Professor Daniel C. Matt
 10:30 am Shabbat Service
 Maisie Oswald Bat Mitzvah



MONDAY

7:00 am Cottage Hospital Minyan
 in the Sacred Space
 6:00 pm Israeli Dancing at CBB

TUESDAY

Noon Lunch & Learn
at the home of Sylvia Glass
 7:00 pm Studio Toby

WEDNESDAY

7:30 am **NEW!** Kabbalistic Sources
 in the Jewish Prayerbook
with Rabbi Cohen
 8:30 am Misty Mountain Minyan

2ND FRIDAY: March 8

7:00 pm Pre-Neg Wine & Cheese
 7:30 pm Shabbat Evening Service

FRIDAY

5:30 pm Pre-Neg Wine and Cheese
 6:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

SATURDAY

9:00 am Torah Study
with Rabbi Cohen
 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
 12:30 pm Kiddush Lunch

Weekly Scheduled Events

3 Sunday
SUNDAY LIVE MORNING
 RIEGER SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE
 8:45 am Best Darn Breakfast, PERIOD!
 9:45 am Speaker: Professor Daniel C. Matt
see front cover for details
 12:30 pm **Fundamentals of Judaism**
 with Rabbi Cohen
 5:00 pm **Hot Topics** for 11th and 12th graders

8 Friday
 5:30 pm 2nd Grade and Tot Shabbat
 followed by dinner
dinner & child care rsvp to Kara at
kara@cbsb.org or 967-6619
 7:00 pm Pre-Neg Wine & Cheese
 7:30 pm Shabbat Service

9 Saturday
 10:30 am Shabbat Service led by CBB teens
 4:30 pm **Seudah Shlishit**
with Rabbi Maya Leibovich
see ad on the next page for details

10 Sunday
 9:30 am **Religious School**
3rd Grade Family Ed Day
 10:30 am **Hillel Hall of Fame at UCSB Hillel**
 12:30 pm **Fundamentals of Judaism**
Guest teacher

11 Monday
 12:00 pm **Jewish Poetry Group**

14 Thursday
 7:00 pm **Artist in Residence**
see back cover for details
 7:00 pm **DIY (Do It Yourself) Seder Class**
 with Rabbi Suzy Stone and Cantor Childs
 Whether it's your first year doing a seder or
 you have been doing it for years, please join us.
 Learn the basic elements of a seder and ways to
 add unique touches, stories, activities and
 spiritual aspects to your Passover celebration.
 RSVP to the Temple office at 964-7869.

15 Friday
10:30 am **Artist in Residence**
see back cover for details
5:30 pm Pre-Neg Wine & Cheese
6:00 pm Shabbat Service
Third Friday Ruach!
with The Temple Band
Young families welcome!

16 Saturday
10:30 am Shabbat Service

17 Sunday
9:30 am **Religious School**
4th Grade Family Ed Day
12:00 pm **Artist in Residence**
see back cover for details
12:30 pm **Fundamentals of Judaism Class**
with Rabbi Cohen
Passover: Making a Seder
3:30 pm **Rosh Chodesh** for 6th grade girls

21 Thursday
12:00 pm Short Story Group
A Letter to Harvey Milk
by Leslea Newman
email audrey@cbbsb.org for a copy
7:00 pm Board Meeting

22 Friday
5:30 pm Pre-Neg Wine & Cheese
6:00 pm Shabbat Service

23 Saturday
10:30 am Shabbat Service

24 Sunday
No Religious School
12:30 pm **Fundamentals of Judaism Class**
Guest teacher

25 Monday
First Night of Passover
5:30 pm **Potluck Vegetarian Seder**
led by Rabbi Suzy Stone
RSVP to Temple office or
online at www.cbbsb.org

26 Tuesday
No Studio Toby
10:30 am **Yom Tov Passover Service**

28 Thursday
6:00 pm Lodge Dinner

29 Friday
5:30 pm Pre-Neg Wine & Cheese
6:00 pm Shabbat Service

30 Saturday
10:30 am Shabbat Service

Seudah Shlishit

Saturday, March 9 4:30 pm

Rabbi Maya Leibovich

The first native-born Israeli woman ordained as a rabbi



- Teaching and sharing stories from her career
- Potluck vegetarian dinner
- Singing and Havdalah

Please bring a vegetarian dish to share and come for an intimate and uplifting late afternoon gathering!

Rabbi Leibovich is the Chairperson of MARAM, the Council of Israeli Reform Rabbis, and has served for the past twenty years as the Rabbi of Kehillat Mevasseret Zion, outside of Jerusalem.

Althea Stroum and Pat Glazer Memorial

Family Camp

March 22-24

Brandeis-Bardin Simi Valley

Join us for this

inspiring, COMMUNITY BUILDING,
relaxing, FUN-FILLED weekend!

RSVP on: www.cbbsb.org

Questions: ben@cbbsb.org

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Upcoming Events

April 7: Sunday Morning Live
Rabbi Steve Gutow
President & CEO
Jewish Council
for Public Affairs

April 13: Czech Torah Rededication

April 14: Jewish Book Club

April 28: Jewish Festival
at Oak Park

May 11: Progressive Dinner
in Montecito



a program sponsored by the
Toby Parisse Art Education fund

Artist-in-Residence



Silk Painter
Hillary Miller

March 13 -17

Tzedakah Projects
for adults and children

Paint pre-designed, beautiful silk challah covers to be given as gifts to new CBB members

Please join us for this fun and important mitzvah, at any or all of these sessions:

Thursday, March 14 7:00 pm - 9 pm

Friday, March 15 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Sunday, March 17 12 noon - 2:30 pm

Hillary will also work with Religious School & Academy students on a congregational Tallit for our monthly Tot Shabbat and other occasions.



Passover

March 25	5:30 pm	First Night of Passover Potluck Vegetarian Seder led by Rabbi Suzy Stone
March 26	10:30 am	Yom Tov Service
April 1	10:30 am	7th Day Morning Service with Yizkor
	1:00 pm	Yizkor Healing Circle with Rabbi Suzy Stone