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## **Music, Lectures & Workshops**

### **CONFRONTING THE CLIMATE CRISIS – John Schwartz – Sun., 5/5, 3:00 pm – At The Reform Temple of Forest Hills, 71-11 112<sup>th</sup> Street –**

Lead *New York Times* science writer on climate change will explain the latest climate science and discuss some of the major impacts we can expect to see in the near future. He will also discuss some of the solutions available now. Suggested donation: \$5 mem/\$10 nm.

### **Cultural Arts Author, IN BROAD DAYLIGHT: A PRIEST'S JOURNEY TO FIND THE TRUTH ABOUT THE HOLOCAUST – Father Patrick Desbois – Mon., 5/6, 1:30 pm –**

How did the murder of 1.5 million Jews in Ukraine happen so publicly and how did their neighbors see their role? Desbois is head of the Commission for Relations with Judaism of the French Bishops' Conference and a consultant to the Vatican. Suggested donation: \$6 m/\$10 nm.

### **6th ANNUAL CHELSEA GALLERY TOUR & Café – Thurs., 5/9, 11:00 am –**

Art historian Harry Weil will lead a guided walking tour through a selection of galleries. Afterward, we'll relax together with an optional light lunch. Space is limited, so reserve early! \$18 (lunch not included); \$8 additional for van.

### **AFTERNOON OF AWARD-WINNING ISRAELI SHORT FILMS – Mon., 5/13, 1:00 pm –**

Our popular afternoon of Israeli short films is back! These four short films highlight different aspects of Israeli life. Vote for Audience Favorite. Suggested donation: \$6 m/\$10 nm.

### **Cultural Arts Speaker, PRESIDENT TRUMP'S MOMENT OF TRUTH IN THE MIDDLE EAST – Prof. Mark Rosenblum – Mon., 5/20, 1:30 pm –**

Will Trump be able to deliver the "Deal of the Century" and other big questions facing the President in the Middle East. Suggested donation: \$6 m/\$10 nm.

**INTERFAITH IFTAR DINNERS** – Share dinner & conversation with your neighbors at a "Break the Fast" Ramadan Dinner. We are invited to participate in the Turkish Cultural Center's big outdoor event in Sunnyside and we'll also have a few spaces in homes of families who are hosting Iftar dinners. FREE. Space is limited; RSVP strongly suggested. Location & date TBD.

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**PING PONG** – Every Friday, 12:15 pm.

**SIMCHA PARTY** – Put on your dancing shoes and swing to the music of the wonderful **Melodians!** FREE m/\$5 nm.

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3 Tues., 4/30, 5/28, 6/18, 1:00-2:15 pm, \$30 m/\$36 nm.

**PIRKEI AVOT: A Guide for Social Justice** – Pirkei Avot, the best known and most beloved text from the Talmud, has been interpreted in many ways, such as a guide to personal and communal ethics. We'll focus on the text through the lens of social justice. A retired Reform rabbi, Rabbi Irwin Goldenberg has taught at several colleges. 4 Wed., 1:00-2:15 pm, 5/1 & 5/8 & 5/15 & 5/22, \$36 m/\$44 nm.

**JEWISH RELIGIOUS RESPONSES TO THE HOLOCAUST** – Survivors and philosophers have struggled in the years since the Holocaust with the problem of evil. We'll explore the approaches of contemporary Jewish philosophers, including Heschel and Buber, With Rabbi Irwin Goldenberg, a retired Reform rabbi. 4 Wed., 1:00-2:15 pm, 5/29, 6/5 & 6/12 & 6/19, \$36 m/\$44 nm.

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**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** – Thoughtful, lively, moderated discussions focus on the best new and classic literature and non-fiction. FREE. RSVP: ext. 151 or pkurtz@commonpointqueens.org. Thurs., 5/16, 12:15-2:15 pm, *Dear Zealots*, by Amos Oz.

### **Health and Wellness**

**FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING** – By Dr. J. Horwitz, on the first Friday of every month.

**HEALTH CHAT: How to Improve Your Health Naturally.** Emanuel Tsourounakis, Chiropractor, will provide tips on creating a healthier lifestyle. FREE.

**HEALTH CHAT: Summer Safety.** Learn the best approach for dealing with weather change and preparing for summer. FREE.

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**– Mon., 6/3, 1:30 pm** – This is the true story of a remarkable young woman—the daughter of Romanian-born Jewish settlers in Palestine—who became the daring leader of the Jewish Nili spy ring during World War I. Operating behind enemy lines, Aaronsohn and her spies furnished vital information to British intelligence about Turkish military forces until she was caught and tortured by the Turks in 1917 and eventually killed herself to avoid disclosing secrets to her captors. Were the Nili spies heroes, traitors, or bunglers? Finalist for the 2018 Jewish Book Award for Biography. Suggested donation: \$6 m/\$10 nm.

### **Cultural Arts Author, BIG GUNS: THE FIREARM INDUSTRY AND WASHINGTON POLITICS – Steve Israel – Mon., 6/17, 1:30 pm**

Former US Congressman Steve Israel takes on the gun industry and gun rights extremists in his new novel about the powerful gun industry, a small Long Island town, and Washington politics. Israel represented a Long Island district in Congress for almost 16 years, retiring in January 2017. He helped write anti-gun violence legislation but finally left Congress in frustration, realizing that the current Congress would not pass gun control laws. Suggested donation: \$6 m/\$10 nm.

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Since its publication in 1987, Crossing to Safety has established itself as one of the most cherished twentieth century American novels, a work of quiet compassion, and insight into the alchemy of friendship and marriage.

## *Film Screenings*

**LITTLE WOMEN** – 1 hr. 52 min. From girls playing in the attic to women living with purpose, the March sisters—Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy—are committed to always supporting each other. Yet growing up sometimes means growing apart. FREE m/\$3 nm.

**ROMAN J. ISRAEL, ESQ.** – 2 hr. 9 min. This is a dramatic thriller set in the overburdened Los Angeles criminal court system. Denzel Washington stars as a driven, idealistic defense attorney whose life is suddenly disrupted. FREE m/\$3 nm.

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