

# April 2024/5784

## OR ZARUA MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT

### Join us for Upcoming Events:

#### **Gallery Committee Informational Meeting**

Monday, April 1, 7:30 pm

#### **OZ Book Discussion**

Sunday, April 7, 7:00 pm

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#### **Pesah Chaburah with Rabbi Bolton**

Saturday, April 27, following kiddush

#### **Class with Marc Ashley - First Session**

Sunday, April 28, 10:00 am

#### **Scholarly Shabbaton in Honor of Marc Ashley with Dr. Marc Shapiro**

Friday, May 3 - Saturday, May 4

#### **Yom HaShoah u'Gevurah**

Sunday, May 5, 7:30 pm

*Details inside...*



## Learn with us!

Join weekly classes with Rabbi Bolton

### COMMUNITY TORAH STUDY

Mondays, 12:00 PM, ZOOM ONLY

<http://tinyurl.com/OZMondayTorahStudy>

### TALMUD CLASS

Wednesdays, 7:30 PM, HYBRID

<https://tinyurl.com/OZWedTalmudClass>

### SIDDUR AND PRAYER CLASS

Thursdays, 8:40 AM, IN PERSON ONLY

*Class and Discussion Group*

[VISIT ORZARUA.ORG/LEARN/ONGOING-CLASSES/](http://WWW.ORZARUA.ORG/LEARN/ONGOING-CLASSES/)  
FOR MORE INFORMATION.

## Pray with us!

**NOW, ON FRIDAYS,  
AFTER KABBALAT SHABBAT!**

Join us for our new, weekly  
**Oneg Shabbat with a nosh,  
something sweet, and a l'chaim.**

**Sponsorships are available.**

Contact Rabbi Bolton,  
[Rabbibolton@orzarua.org](mailto:Rabbibolton@orzarua.org).

*See the calendar on page 16  
for all service times, including  
special holiday service times.*

## Connect with us!

### Office Hours

**MONDAY - THURSDAY**

**9:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**FRIDAY**

**9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**SATURDAY - SUNDAY**

**The office is closed.**

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## **Become a Member of the OZ Gallery Committee!** **Informational Meeting & Dessert**

**Monday, April 1, 7:30 pm**

You are invited to join the OZ Gallery Committee for dessert and brainstorming for future exhibitions in our OZ Gallery on the first floor.

Join us and become a member of the Gallery Committee as we plan the next show in our handsome gallery space.

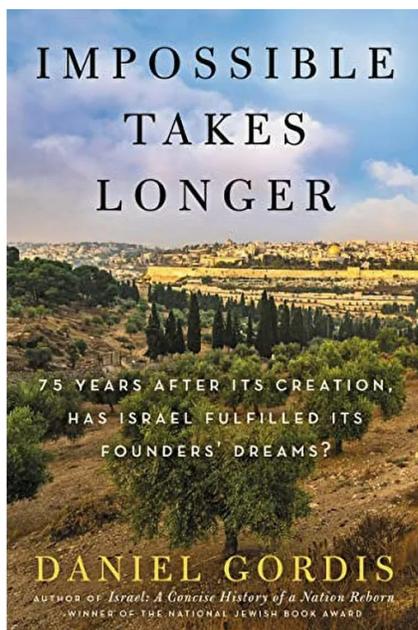
Or Zarua is very unusual in presenting varied ongoing art exhibitions that are curated and organized by our congregants. The OZ Gallery has been presenting lively exhibitions since 2005 and we have had coverage in The Jewish Week and Hadassah Magazine.

**With your help, the next one will be the best!**

RSVP to Deborah,  
[dwenger@orzarua.org](mailto:dwenger@orzarua.org),  
or call (212) 452-2310 x12.

# OR ZARUA BOOK DISCUSSION

Sunday, April 7, 7:00 pm



Please join us for a book discussion led by Arthur Seltzer. We will review themes and interesting facts of “Impossible Takes Longer-75 Years After its Creation, Has Israel Fulfilled its Founders’ Dreams?” by Daniel Gordis.

There have been many changes “on the ground” since the publication date in April 2023. Our discussion will also address how the events and aftermath of October 7th has impacted the “successes” considered in the book, and the evolving views of Israelis.



# AN Evening OF Israeli JAZZ

## Music and Discussion with Rebecca Zola and Israeli Jazz Musicians

**Tuesday, April 9, Dinner: 6:30 pm; Concert: 7:30 pm**



In this event, jazz vocalist Rebecca Zola and two jazz musicians from Israel, Idan Morim and Almog Sharvit, will perform classic jazz standards as well as some Israeli songs, and share their perspectives on the Israeli jazz community, a vibrant and growing community of musicians in transience between NYC and Israel.

Dinner will be served, and a Q&A will be facilitated between Rebecca, the other musicians, and audience members.

The cost for dinner is \$45 per person.  
We will be serving salmon and chicken. The meal will be gluten-free.  
Sign up at [tinyurl.com/JazzOZ](https://tinyurl.com/JazzOZ)

**Please come join Rabbi Bolton and the Clal 5784 LEAP Fellows  
studying with scholars of Jewish music and multiple varieties of musicality.**

*Visit [orzarua.org/connect/upcoming-events/](https://orzarua.org/connect/upcoming-events/) for more information about  
ethnomusicologist and jazz musician, Rebecca Zola,  
and about our other visiting musicians.*

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# Get Ready FOR PESAH WITH OR L'ATID

**Got Israel at your Seder?**

**Monday, April 15, 5:00 pm**

All families are invited to join Rabbi Bolton and Sigal as we prepare for Seder together.

*This program will take place at the end of Hebrew School, but is not exclusively for Hebrew School families! All are welcome!*



**Manischewitz or Aviv?  
Taste Test!**



**Kedem or Tirosh?  
Which grape's the greatest?**



**Apples or Dates?  
Dip twice!**

**RSVP to Sigal, [scohen@orzarua.org](mailto:scohen@orzarua.org).**

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# Kiddush



**Saturday, April 20**

**Join us for our monthly “Kiddush in the Round!”**

Once each month, following Shabbat services, we have an expanded, **sit-down Kiddush luncheon**, where OZers of all ages can spend time together on Shabbat.

**Shabbat services begin at 9:00 am.**

Come by 10:00 am for the Torah Service and Torah Discussion.

**Torah Tots and Torah Kids will meet at 11:00 am.**

*All are welcome to come for as much of services as you'd like, and of course, stick around for a delicious lunch!*

**Please RSVP for lunch so we can be sure to have enough food and enough seats!**

Sign up at [tinyurl.com/KIR-Apr2024](https://tinyurl.com/KIR-Apr2024)

**Sponsor  
Kiddush in the Round  
to remember, celebrate,  
honor, and to bring the  
community together.**

**Contact Helene,  
[hsanto@orzarua.org](mailto:hsanto@orzarua.org).**



# Pesach 5784

## CELEBRATE WITH OR ZARUA

### PESAH BEGINS MONDAY, APRIL 22

**Shaharit with Siyyum for Ta'anit Behorot**  
Monday, April 22, 7:15 am

**Community First Night Seder**  
Monday, April 22, 7:15 pm

**Festival Shaharit with Hallel, Kiddush to follow**  
Tuesday & Wednesday, April 23 & 24, 9:00 am

**Hol HaMoed Shaharit with Hallel, Breakfast to follow**  
Thursday & Friday, April 25 - 26, 7:15 am

**Minhah & Ma'ariv, Oneg to follow**  
Friday, April 26, 6:15 pm

**Shabbat Pesah Service, with Hallel & Shir HaShirim**  
**Kiddush and Chaburah with Rabbi Bolton to follow**  
Saturday, April 27, 8:45 am

**Torah Tots & Torah Kids**  
Saturday, April 27, 11:00 am

**Hol HaMoed Shaharit with Hallel, Breakfast to follow**  
Sunday, April 28, 8:45 am

**Marc Ashley Adult Ed. Class, first session**  
Sunday, April 28, 10:00 am

**Festival Shaharit with Hallel, Kiddush to follow**  
Monday, April 29, 9:00 am

**Festival Shaharit with Hallel and YIZKOR, Kiddush to follow**  
Tuesday, April 30, 9:00 am

#### **Sell your Hametz!**

Print and fill out the form on the next page, and send it in, or fill out our online form:

**[tinyurl.com/OZhametz2024](https://tinyurl.com/OZhametz2024)**

All forms must be RECEIVED by the office by 10:00 am on Monday, April 22.

#### **The building will be Kosher for Passover as of Thursday, April 18.**

All food served in the building after that will be Kosher for Passover.

Please do not bring any food into the building from April 18 - April 30.

# Authorization for the Sale of Hametz

(Be sure to sign the form!)

In accordance with Jewish law, I/we authorize Rabbi Bolton to sell all hametz in my/our possession at the locations listed below. Enclosed is my/our contribution to Or Zarua's Ma'ot Hittim Fund.

*Note that this authorization must be signed; this authorization is NOT valid without your signature.*

Name/s \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. No. \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## Other Locations (vacation home, office, etc):

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. No. \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**This completed form must be received no later than 10:00 am on Monday, April 22, 2024:**

**Scan and email:** [dwenger@orzarua.org](mailto:dwenger@orzarua.org)

**Fax:** (212) 452-2103

**Mail:** Rabbi Scott N. Bolton, Congregation Or Zarua, 127 East 82nd St., New York, NY 10028

# עם ישראל חי

## AM YISRAEL CHAI



*One Family Seder*

**Join Or Zarua and the Boltons for Seder!**  
**Monday, April 22, 7:15 pm**  
**First Night of Pesah**

Make the first night seder with us.  
 Get ready for all the traditional food  
 and songs and to raise our Israel spirit.

We'll set the table and raise our four cups  
 to celebrate and connect with  
 all Am Yisrael, the Jewish People.

**Sign up by Wednesday, April 17:**  
[tinyurl.com/OZseder2024](https://tinyurl.com/OZseder2024)

**Members & guests: \$85**

**Non-members: \$125**

**Children 5-8 YO: \$55**

# Chaburah

## WITH RABBI BOLTON

**Chaburah after Shabbat Kiddush of Hol Moed  
in honor and in memory of Stewart Bolton, z"l  
"You Won't Believe What We Made Packages From!"  
Torah and Talmudic Tales of Engineering  
Saturday, April 27, following kiddush**



Rabbi Bolton has given an annual talk at Pesah about packaging in Jewish sources and history since the death of his father z"l in 1996. Stew z"l was packaging engineer and designer for Warner-Lamber/Parke-Davis and Kraft General Foods and faculty for the Rutgers University School of Packaging Engineering.



The alternative title for this Chaburah after Shabbat Hol HaMoed Kiddush is "The Craziest Containers Jews Ever Designed." We gather in the gallery after enjoying Kiddush on the Shabbat of Passover.

**Join the Rabbi to help honor his father's z"l memory.**

# Adult Education

## SPRING CLASS WITH MARC ASHLEY



### **“You Shall Not Add Anything’: Did Torah Begin and End at Sinai?”**

**Sunday mornings at 10:00 am  
April 28, May 5, May 19 (Zoom)**

*Please join us on Zoom for three interesting sessions on classical Jewish thought; no prior knowledge is required.*

Please join Marc Ashley's 25th annual spring adult education class, on the development of Jewish tradition within a classical framework that purports to be fully comprehensive tracing all the way back to the revelation at Mount Sinai.

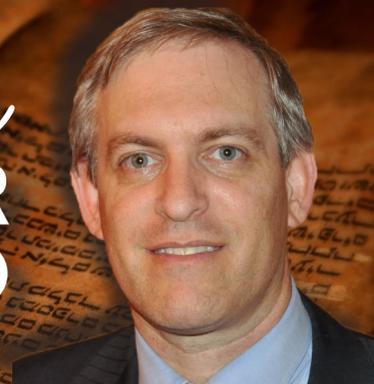
The Torah itself prohibits any additions to the original revelation and further claims that the prophecy of Moses was historically unique.

So how has the Jewish legal system rationalized its own development in the face of those explicit threshold constraints?

**Join Marc on Zoom:**  
[tinyurl.AshleySpring2024](https://tinyurl.com/AshleySpring2024)

# Scholarly Shabbaton

## WITH PROFESSOR MARC SHAPIRO



**“Torah and Truth: Navigating the Tension”  
in honor of congregant Marc Ashley**

**May 3 & 4 (Friday night through Shabbat afternoon)**

*We will have the opportunity to learn with Prof. Shapiro after a Friday night dinner, during services on Shabbat morning, after Kiddush and between Minhah and Ma'ariv.*



**The Shabbaton  
will honor  
Marc Ashley's  
contributions  
to OZ through  
the years.**

Please join OZ's first full Shabbaton in several years as we welcome Prof. Marc Shapiro, one of the world's leading Jewish Studies scholars, for a series of four fascinating and cutting-edge lectures, on the theme of “Torah and Truth: Navigating the Tension,” throughout an entire Shabbat.

Prof. Shapiro, an exceptionally knowledgeable and versatile scholar of classical Judaism, will insightfully probe issues regarding the sometimes fraught relationship between Jewish tradition and various aspects of truth and truthfulness, including in a dialogue with Marc during Shabbat lunch about the study of Torah.

**Stay tuned for registration information.**



## **Yom HaShoah u'Gevurah Ceremony for Remembrance and Recalling Heroism**

**Sunday, May 5th, 7:30 pm**

*The Or Zarua Scroll of Honor will be read at our service.*

This year our Holocaust and Heroism Day is ever more important as we will gather to read the names of our own beloved family members who were murdered and who rose against evil as heroes in that nightmare of a time for the Jewish People.

Live musical selections uplift our hearts at our service, and we include poetry and accounts from the terrible chapters of history that must be read and witnessed so we can proclaim "Never Again."

A collective Kaddish is recited after we read the names of our community members' loved ones and acquaintances from the bimah.

**If you have names of loved ones who perished during the Holocaust or during World War II in service please contact Deborah, [dwenger@orzarua.org](mailto:dwenger@orzarua.org), so we may add your loved ones' z"l names to our Or Zarua Scroll of Honor.**

# APRIL 2024/5784

| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
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|  | <b>1 • 22 Adar II</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>12:00p Torah Study<br>4:00p Heb. School<br>7:30p Gallery Info Session   | <b>2 • 23 Adar II</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit (Zoom)   | <b>3 • 24 Adar II</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>4:00p Heb. School<br>5:00p BM Scholars<br>7:30p Talmud Class   | <b>4 • 25 Adar II</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>8:40a Siddur Class                               | <b>5 • 26 Adar II</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>6:15p Minhah/<br>Kabbalat Shabbat<br>7:07p Candle Lighting  | <b>6 • 27 Adar II</b><br><i>Shabbat HaHodesh, Shmini</i><br>9:00a Shahrarit<br>8:04p Havdalah   |
| <b>7 • 28 Adar II</b><br>8:45a Shahrarit<br>7:00p Book Discussion<br>7:15p Bir'nana Rehearsal  | <b>8 • 29 Adar II</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>12:00p Torah Study<br>4:00p Heb. School   | <b>9 • 1 Nisan</b><br><i>Rosh Hodesh</i><br>7:15a Shahrarit (Zoom)<br><i>An Evening of Israeli Jazz</i><br>6:30p RSVP Dinner<br>7:30p Concert | <b>10 • 2 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>4:00p Heb. School<br>5:00p BM Scholars<br>7:30p Talmud Class   | <b>11 • 3 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>8:40a Siddur Class                                 | <b>12 • 4 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>6:15p Minhah/<br>Kabbalat Shabbat<br>7:14p Candle Lighting  | <b>13 • 5 Nisan</b><br><i>Shabbat Tazria</i><br>9:00a Shahrarit<br><b>Bar Mitzvah of Jonas Eliasson</b><br>8:12p Havdalah   |
| <b>14 • 6 Nisan</b><br>8:45a Shahrarit<br>7:15p Bir'nana Rehearsal   | <b>15 • 7 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>12:00p Torah Study<br>4:00p Heb. School<br>5:00p Or L'Atid Pre-Pesah Program  | <b>16 • 8 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit (Zoom)   | <b>17 • 9 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>4:00p Heb. School<br>5:00p BM Scholars<br>7:30p Talmud Class   | <b>18 • 10 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>8:40a Siddur Class                                | <b>19 • 11 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>6:15p Minhah/<br>Kabbalat Shabbat<br>7:22p Candle Lighting   | <b>20 • 12 Nisan</b><br><i>Shabbat HaGadol, Metzora</i><br>9:00a Shahrarit<br>11:00a Torah Tots & Torah Kids<br>Kiddush in the Round<br>8:20p Havdalah  |
| <b>21 • 13 Nisan</b><br>8:45a Shahrarit  | <b>22 • 14 Nisan</b><br><i>Erev Pesah</i><br>7:15a Shahrarit with Siyyum for Ta'anit Behorot<br>7:15p Community Seder<br>7:25p Candle Lighting<br><i>No Heb. School</i> | <b>23 • 15 Nisan</b><br><i>Pesah Day 1 Yom Tov</i><br>9:00a Shahrarit<br><i>Candle Lighting after 8:23p</i><br><br>Office Closed              | <b>24 • 16 Nisan</b><br><i>Pesah Day 2 Yom Tov</i><br>9:00a Shahrarit<br><i>8:25p Yom Tov Ends</i><br><br><i>No Heb. School</i><br><i>No Talmud Class</i><br>Office Closed | <b>25 • 17 Nisan</b><br><i>Hol Hamoed Pesah</i><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br><i>No Siddur Class</i> | <b>26 • 18 Nisan</b><br><i>Hol Hamoed Pesah</i><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>6:15p Minhah/<br>Ma'ariv<br>7:29p Candle Lighting   | <b>27 • 19 Nisan</b><br><i>Shabbat Hol Hamoed Pesah</i><br>8:45a Shahrarit<br>1:00p Chaburah with Rabbi Bolton<br>8:28p Havdalah  |
| <b>28 • 20 Nisan</b><br><i>Hol Hamoed Pesah Erev Yom Tov</i><br>8:45a Shahrarit<br>10:00a Marc Ashley Adult Education<br>7:32p Candle Lighting | <b>29 • 21 Nisan</b><br><i>Pesah Day 7 Yom Tov</i><br>9:00a Shahrarit<br><i>Candle Lighting after 8:30p</i><br><i>No Heb. School</i><br>Office Closed                   | <b>30 • 22 Nisan</b><br><i>Pesah Day 8 Yom Tov</i><br>9:00a Shahrarit Yizkor<br><i>8:32p Yom Tov Ends</i><br><br>Office Closed                | <b>1 • 23 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>4:00p Heb. School<br>5:00p BM Scholars<br>7:30p Talmud Class   | <b>2 • 24 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br>8:40a Siddur Class                                 | <b>3 • 25 Nisan</b><br>7:15a Shahrarit<br><i>Scholarly Shabbaton</i><br>6:30 Minhah/<br>Kabbalat Shabbat<br><i>Dinner to follow with lecture</i><br>7:36p Candle Lighting | <b>4 • 22 Nisan</b><br><i>Shabbat Mevarhim HaHodesh, Aharei-Mot</i><br><i>Scholarly Shabbaton</i><br>9:00a Shahrarit<br>11:00a Torah Tots & Torah Kids<br>6:00p Minhah/<br>Ma'ariv<br>8:36 Havdalah |

## Save these Additional May Dates!

**Sunday, May 5:** Yom HaShoah u'Gevurah

**Monday, May 13:** Yom HaZikaron & Yom HaAtzmaut

**Tuesday, May 14:** Yom Ha'Atzmaut

**Saturday, May 18:** Kiddush in the Round

**Tuesday, May 21:** Annual Meeting and Tar Beach Picnic