

Through a week-long series of musical and literary events, this Jewish Cultural Festival promises to highlight the Jewish community's past and celebrate its dynamic present.

The first of its kind in the Rivertowns of Westchester, the festival offers people of all ages and interests a variety of free, enriching events. In fact, plans to grow the festival next year have begun, and members of the community are invited to be part of the planning, share their programming ideas, even sponsor individual events. E-mail enews@jccontheudson.org with suggestions.

Supporting Literacy

Jewish tradition has long advocated for literacy. To engender a love of reading, the JCC on the Hudson has partnered with the Pajama Program. If you're interested in volunteering to read to disadvantaged youth through this initiative, e-mail enews@jccontheudson.org.

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Barnes and Noble

Thanks to **Barnes and Noble**, some of the books discussed during the festival will be available for sale after the respective events.

Jewish Cultural Festival

**Saturday, April 6
through
Sunday, April 14**

*Honoring
a rich
and
vibrant
Jewish culture*



Week at a Glance

Saturday, April 6, 8:00 p.m.

JCC on the Hudson

Music and Memories

Chamber Music Concert by Russian violist Ljova. In addition to Ljova's compositions for string quartet, there will be a solo piano performance of "Sirota". The latter incorporates a 1908 recording by Cantor Gershon Sirota, often referred to as the "Jewish Caruso" and killed during the

Warsaw ghetto uprising. Ljova will be accompanied by faculty members of the JCC School of Music and Performing Arts. Pre-performance wine and cheese reception.

Fee: \$10/pp

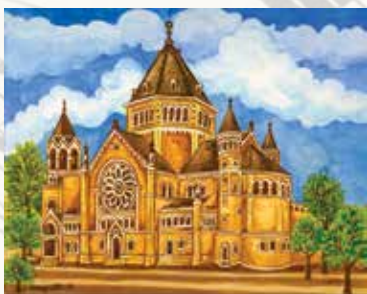


Sunday, April 7, 10:00 a.m.

Greenburgh Hebrew Center

Finding Lost Synagogues

Andrea Strongwater offers a visual history of the European synagogues that didn't survive the Holocaust. She covers the topic



Warsaw. The Tlomackie Synagogue built in 1875-77.

in an exquisite assemblage of paintings and words in her book, *Where We Once Gathered, Lost Synagogues of Europe*. Free.



Dortmund. A synagogue built in 1900 and destroyed as a test to gauge public opinion in September 1938.

Tuesday, April 9, 8:00 p.m.

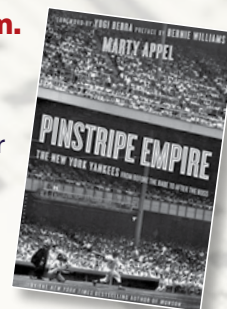
Temple Beth Abraham

Pinstripe Empire

Marty Appel, author and former Yankee PR director, brings to the Yankees' story insights not found elsewhere.

Mr. Appel will autograph copies of his book, which will be on sale after the event.

Free.



Reservations requested for all events. Call 914.366.7898 or register online at jconthehudson.org

Thursday, April 11, 8:00 p.m.

Temple Beth Shalom

Kugel, Knishes, and Kibbeh: Jewish Culture through Cuisine



Rabbi Lisa Izes discusses the integral role of food in Jewish culture and offers a glimpse into the influences on Jewish cuisine across the globe. Bring your favorite cookbook and share! Free.

Sunday, April 14, 1:30 p.m.

Woodlands Community Temple

Books for Kids

Rivertowns resident Marisabina Russo delights the audience with her stories and shows them how ideas become books! She'll also share stories from a variety of her children's books, which range from picture books to YA novels, including *I Will Come*

Back For You, the story of her own family's daring WW II escape. Free.

