

IAYC PROGRAM: IX CONFERENCE

E designates English ... Y designates Yiddish

Gala Evening Entertainment Shown at the End

*** Thursday, June 2nd ***

Registration: 3-6 P.M.,

Banquet

Greetings & Introductions

Roz Baker, Conference Coordinator

Dr. Harold Black, IAYC President

*** Friday, June 3rd ***

PLENARY -- 9:00 – 10:15 A.M.

Y Professor **Dov-Ber Kerler**, distinguished scholar -- Head of Yiddish Studies at Indiana University, author of *Origins of Modern Literary Yiddish* (Oxford University Press); noted Yiddish poet.

10:45 – 12:00 Noon

E/Y ...“Yiddish for the Next Generation”
Marcia Gruss Levinson, Chair of Coalition for the Advancement of Jewish education; and **Berta Kipnis**, Teacher of Yiddish.
A model class for teens with students from the 8th grade of the Minneapolis Talmud Torah.

E/YThe Jacob Adler Yiddish Theatrical Dynasty:
Sara, Celia, Luther, Stella, etc.”
Sabell Bender, Educator, actress and theater director.

E“And Prairie Dogs Weren’t Kosher”
Linda Schloff, Ph.D., Director of the Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest. She will talk about Jewish women adjusting to prairie life.

Y “Yiddish Poetry and Visual Imagination”
Sanford Margolis, Professor of Music, Oberlin College; teaches piano and Yiddish.

1:30 – 2:45 P.M.

Y “Loshn un Shteyger: Language & Lifestyle – Session 1”
Chava Lapin, Adjunct Associate professor of Yiddish at Queens College. Yiddish in the millennial spectrum of Jewish Historic Experience ... the origins and flowering of Yiddish as a Jewish language.

E “Hasidic Americana: An Overview of Haredi Yiddish Publications Today”

Zachary Baker, the Reinhard Family Curator of Judaica Collections at the Stanford University Libraries in Palo Alto, CA. He was the head librarian at YIVO in NYC.

Y “Malke Heifetz-Tussman” (One of the best known Yiddish poets.)
Sylvia Schildt, Published poet and Yiddish teacher. She chaired the 2003 IAYC convention.

E/Y“Jewish Immigrants Without Yiddish”
Nahum Kipnis, Historian of science. The story of immigrants who came from the former Soviet Union.

3:15 – 4:30 P.M.

E/Y“They Came to the South, the Southwest, and to Canada” The story of Jewish immigration to these areas.

Baila Pransky, Bess Shockett & Fishl Kutner. Pransky directs the Charlotte, NC Yiddish Institute. Shockett is the dynamic force behind the Toronto Friends of Yiddish. Kutner is editor of *Der Bay*.

E/Y ...“Shpil Teater With Your Vinkl/Club!”
Hilda Rubin, co-founder of “Di Shpilers,” the Yiddish performing troupe. She chairs “Café Kasrilevke,” in Washington, D.C.

Y Leivick’s Poem, *To America* 50 yrs later ...
Professor Max Ticktin, Associate Chair of the Judaic Studies Program at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He teaches Modern Jewish Literature & Yiddish Language.

E “Yiddish Kompyuteray: Getting it Write in Yiddish”
Jason Peck. Peck’s doctoral dissertation: German Jewish Philosophy in the Late 18th Century Yiddish in the computer age.

*** Saturday, June 4th ***

PLENARY -- 9:00 – 10:15 A.M.

(E/Y) ...“The Jewish Labor Movement”
Professor Hyman Berman, Professor Emeritus of Labor History and American Jewish history, University of Minnesota. Berman is a regular commentator on public affairs on KTCA-TV.

10:45 – 12:00 Noon

E/Y ...“Marc Chagall’s Ladies & his Yiddishkayt”

Troim Handler, Widely published Yiddish writer, poet and lecturer. She and her husband lecture on Yiddish literature and Jewish history.

Y **Roslyn Fletcher, Sophie Teener, Beverly Siegel, and Ruth Stien**. Yiddish women writers, poets and composers. Readings of stories, poems and songs, accompanied by **Rita Lusky**, pianist.

E "Lithuanian Culture – Yesterday & Today"
S. Chic Wolk and Dr. Richard Maullin. Wolk serves on the Board of Directors of The Friends of the Vilnius Yiddish Institute. Dr. Maullin is the President of this organization.

Y "Territory and Language: The Search for a Yiddish Speaking Home"
Sheva Zucker, Ph.D. The history of Yiddish and the way in which the ideals of Yiddish-based community are still present in our lives today.

1:30 – 2:45 P.M.

Y "Language and Lifestyle – Session 2: Modern Yiddishism ... politics, limitations and opportunities."

Chava Lapin, Adjunct Associate professor of Yiddish at Queens College. The combination of clarity and doubt or concerns for the future of Yiddish.

E Meet master dancer/actor **Felix Fibich**. Experience his time-honored dancing to Klezmer music. Fibich trained in Warsaw's Yung Teater before the Nazi period, He performed with Judith Berg and comedians Dzigan and Shumakher ... then, later in Russia, Paris and New York.

E/Y ... "Continuing our Yidishe Yerushe, -- Teaching 3-Year-Olds and Up"

Marcia Gruss Levinsohn, Chair of the Yiddish Network of the Coalition for the Advancement of Jewish Education (CAJE)

E/Y ... "On Foreign Soil"

Martin Green. Author and entertainer, Green hopes to introduce the humor, charm and poetry of Yiddish to an audience with no previous knowledge of the language.

3:15 – 4:30 P.M.

E "Hiding in the Open: A Holocaust Memoir"
Sabina S. Zimering, M.D., Dr. Zimering earned her M.D. in Munich and practiced medicine in Minneapolis. A riveting account of how she and her sister survived as Catholics in Nazi Germany.

E/Y ... "Klezmer Music From the Shtetl to the Goldene Medine!"

Martin Dworkin, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus of Microbiology at the University of Minnesota. He is founder and clarinetist of the Prairie Heym Klezmerim.

Y "Fun di 'Tsviling – Shtet' Biz der Groyser Tsibele"

Amanda Miriam Khaya Seigel, Performer and composer. She works in the Yiddish Cultural Circle in New York. Boyen un banayen Yiddish durkh shprakhn un kultur programen.

E "The Rachel Calof Story: Homesteading in North Dakota"

Kristine Peleg, Ph.D. Peleg teaches at Century College. She has an M.A. from Hebrew Univ., and a Ph.D. in English Literature from the Univ. of AZ.

Y "Ober Redt er Yiddish"

Margie Newman: Author, Teaches and promotes the Yiddish language and culture. Seeking a male companion on the Yiddish network ... but he must speak Yiddish!

*** **Sunday, June 5th** ***

PLENARY -- 9:30 – 10:45 A.M.

E "Leivick's Poem, *To America, 50 Years Later*"
Professor Max Ticktin, Associate Chair of the Judaic Studies Program at G.W.U. in Wash., D.C. He teaches Jewish Literature & Yiddish Language.

11:00 A.M. – Noon ... Convention Windup

1:00 P.M. Twin Cities Highlights Tour: \$20 Fee

****EVENING ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE****

Thursday, 8 P.M., June 2, 2005

The Prairie Heym Klezmerim: Amy Olson, Vocals Klezmer Music & Favorites of the Yiddish Theater. Featuring Songs from "Mayn Sheyne Meydl"

Friday, 8 P.M., June 3, 2005

Star-Studed Cabaret: Featuring Theresa Tova!
Canada's most well known Yiddish diva;
Amanda Miriam Khaya Seigel, vocalist; **Marty Green**, composer & pianist.

Saturday, 8 P.M., June 4, 2005

Featuring The Sim Shalom Klezmer Band, with vocalist Sima Shumilovsky
Freylikhs with **Felix Fibich**.
Maggie Burton in Concert ...