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# JEM Programs for 2023-2024

***JEM will return in October of 2023 for its 19th season of edifying,   
stimulating, and entertaining presentations.***

**The first JEM program for 2023-2024 will be held at the Jewish Community Centre on**

**Monday, October 16, at 7:30 p.m.**

**All the other JEM Programs will be held on Zoom.**

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| **TOPIC** | **DATE** | **SPEAKER** |
| **Getting Their Act Together: The Formation of an Asylum-Seeking Community in Israel** | October 16, 2023 | Oded Oron |
| **The Canadian Jewish Experience** | October 23 | Allan Levine  Sponsor: Congregation Beth Tefilah |
| **What's in a Name? On the Uses and Abuses of Jewish Names** | October 30 | Kalman Weiser |
| **Rescuers of Jews during the Nazi Era: Who were They and Why did They do it?** | November 6 | Eric Gartner |
| **Music among the Crypto-Jews of Portugal** | November 13 | Judith Cohen |
| **The First Female Spy in Palestine** | November 20 | Adam Hummel |
| **The Jews of the Great Silk Road: Yesterday and Today** | January 29, 2024 | Manashe Khaimov |
| **The Goldschlager Collection of Holocaust Memoirs at the Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library** | February 5 | Nadav Sharon |
| **How did Chanukah and Purim Catch On? The Establishment of 'Minor' Jewish Holidays and Judea-Diaspora Relations** | February 12 | Dr. Malka Z. Simkovich |
| **Indigenous Peoples and Jews in Canada: A Tangled History** | March 4 | David Kaufman |
| **Canadian Jewish Debate on Israel** | March 11 | Robert Brym and Ben Murane |
| **Recording History: Jews, Muslims, and Music across Twentieth-Century North Africa** | March 18 | Christopher Silver |