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Jewish Arts Festival For All

Sunday 2nd July is set to be the biggest Community Day of the Summer, followed by a Comedy Night, an Art Competition and a Gala Concert, reports Clive Moss-Barclay, JRC Publicity Officer.

Last Summer the Jewish Representative Council proposed the concept of a Manchester Jewish Arts Festival and has subsequently obtained the support of Manchester City Council for this venture, now to be called the "Jewish Arts Festival for All (JAFFA)" which will take place across the City from Sunday 2nd July till Sunday 9th July.

The Festival is being organised by the JAFFA Steering Committee chaired by Herzl Hamburger. Members on the Committee include Jonny Wineberg, Gita Conn, Tracy Allweis, Charles Bloom, Marilyn Blank, Susan Isaacs and Andrew Zatman. Jonny, Jewish Representative Council Chair of Executive, said, "The Festival, Comedy Night, Gala

Concert and Young People's Art Competition will hopefully be the first of many such events in our City. Part of the JRC's remit is to provide opportunity for collaboration and co-ordinated action that brings our community together and we believe that occasions like these, offering entertainment at affordable prices, will help us to achieve that objective."

SUNDAY 2ND JULY 11am to 5pm FOOD WINE & ART DAY



at
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190 Cheetham Hill Rd, Manchester M8 8LW

Plus Outside Marquee with host of stalls, demos, tastings, viewings, kid's activities, music and more!

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Food Wine & Art Day

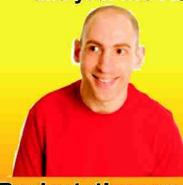
The first event is a Food, Wine and Arts Day at the Manchester Jewish Museum on Sunday 2nd July 2017 featuring a continuous programme of entertainment and events for the whole family. In order to extend the space available, and to house all the activities, there will be a marquee in the Museum's Garden.

The day begins at 11am with an hour long Guided Heritage Walk around Cheetham Hill and from 12 midday onwards, there will be a host of stalls offering food and drink tastings, demonstrations, talks, children's activities and an Art Exhibition with paintings of Manchester by local artist Dr Tony Raynes remembering Balkind's Cheder, Crumpsall Lane, Bury Grammar Schools and more.



MONDAY 3RD JULY 7.30pm COMEDY NIGHT

Featuring the very best Jewish comedy talent in the UK
Josh Howie Bennett Aron
Mark Maier Sol Bernstein
and your MC **Adam Bloom**



Book at thecomedytree.co.uk
Strictly Adults age 18+ only

SUNDAY 9TH JULY at **The Stoller Hall,** Hunts Bank, Manchester M3 1DA from 2pm

Young People's Art Exhibition

With all entrants invited to a special reception and presentation at 5.30pm

7.30pm

Gala Concert

Including the British Premiere of David Ezra's Rhapsodies Hébraïques



Greg Nogradi



David Ezra Okonsar

Accompanied by L'chaim Kapelye

Book at www.stollerhall.com/whats-on/JAFFA



Comedy Night

On the following evening, Monday 3rd July, there will be more festivities of the laugh-out-loud variety with a star-studded bill of the top UK Jewish comedy talent for an evening of fun at Manchester's famous Comedy Store starting at 7.30pm. It's a stellar line-up of Josh Howie, Bennett Aron, Mark Maier, Sol Bernstein and former Polygram Award winner for best stand-up at the Edinburgh Festival, Adam Bloom, as MC.

Gala Concert

Another red letter day will be Sunday 9th July with a Gala Concert that is destined to live in the memory. To be held at The Stoller Hall, Chetham's School, Manchester, this

celebrated occasion will bring together two legendary talents, Greg Nogradi, who has been described as the Jewish Pavarotti, and famed pianist, composer and musicologist, David Ezra Okonsar.

Young People's Art Competition

JAFFA is also encouraging younger members of the Jewish community to become art aware by holding an Art Competition for boys and girls in school years 3 to 11 on the theme 'Jewish Manchester'. (For details see inside page 7).

For more information, email: arts@jewishmanchester.org or call the JRC Office on 0161 720 8721.

New Faces at JRC

The JRC AGM was held in May at which the President, Chair of the Executive, Officers and Executive Members were all elected unopposed, reports Clive Moss-Barclay, Publicity Officer.

The new structure has enabled many new representatives to get involved with the Council and this was reflected in several first time appointments. Sharon Bannister, JRC President, welcomed new JRC Officers, Jay Charara (Vice-Chair & Public Relations), Jeremy Michelson (Vice-Chair & Education), Susan Isaacs (Youth and Community Officer); and new Executive members Deborah Britstone (Youth Secretary) Joey Levenson (Youth Secretary), Hayley Leigh (Community Secretary) and Karen Solomon (Antisemitism & Human Rights).



I-r: Linda Jacobs (Fundraising Secretary), David Lewis (Community Secretary), Deborah Britstone (Youth Secretary), Alex Klein (Public Relations Secretary), Hayley Leigh (Community Secretary) & Filis Rosenberg (Publicity Secretary).

Other members of the Executive (not shown above) are: Joey Levenson (Youth Secretary), Emma Pearlman (Publicity Secretary), David Davies (Public Relations Secretary), Barbara Goldstone (Education Secretary) & Karen Solomon (Antisemitism & Human Rights Secretary)



I-r: Clive Moss-Barclay (Publicity Officer), Jay Charara (Vice-Chair - Public Relations), Susan Isaacs (Youth and Community Officer), Sharon Bannister (President), Jonny Wineberg (Chair of Executive), Jeremy Michelson (Vice-Chair - Education), Jacky Buchsbaum (Treasurer) & Michael Rubinstein (Secretary)

"Visit My Mosque Day" in Cheetham Hill

Filis Rosenberg, JRC Executive member, reports on her visit to Khizra Mosque as part of the new initiative "Visit My Mosque".

I had the pleasure of accepting an invitation to attend the MCB led "Visit My Mosque" initiative in February for the launch at the Khizra Mosque in Cheetham Hill.

This event is designed to promote openness and cohesion across the different

communities. Leaders from many faiths, cultures and organisations addressed the audience. The programme included a wonderful children's choir, warm hospitality and stands, as well as a tour of the mosque itself.

Sajjad Amin who deals with Community

Relations on behalf of the Khizra Mosque said "It has been a fantastic event with lots of people from all backgrounds and faiths.

Many had attended a Mosque for the first time. It is important to support such events which bring people together from different communities and help to build greater understanding.

A big thank you to all those who attended today"



I-r: Filis Rosenberg, Afzal Khan, North West MEP; Haroun Rashid, Secretary General MCB; Eddy Newman, Deputy Lord Mayor; Sue Hanrahan; Heather Fletcher, Co-Chair Muslim Jewish Forum Greater Manchester and Jawad Amin of the Khizra Mosque

Councillors Learn all about Jewish Issues

The Board of Deputies, Jewish Leadership Council and Jewish Representative Council joined together to run 'Jewish Manchester: A Seminar for Local Councillors', at Heathlands Village, home of The Fed, reports Clive Moss-Barclay, Publicity Officer.

The event was attended by 25 Councillors from around the North West. As well as introducing them to the Jewish community and its leading organisations, the Councillors had the opportunity to attend a number of sessions on issues as diverse as antisemitism in the UK, the Jewish community's bond with Israel, social care in the community and education.

Participants were addressed by Sir Howard Bernstein, Chief Executive of Manchester City Council, and Ivan Lewis, MP for Bury South.

Jonny Wineberg, Chair of JRC Executive, said: "The event was a constructive forum for Councillors to learn about issues in the Jewish community and an opportunity for the community's local organisations and representatives to build relationships with Councillors, which we hope will continue to blossom for many years to come."

Gillian Merron, Chief Executive of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, said: "This seminar was part of a series of events we are running for local Councillors across the UK. Our aim is to ensure that as many Councillors as possible understand the Jewish community's interests and concerns, and support our causes in Town Halls up and down the country."

Congratulations Andy Burnham

Whether they voted for Mr Burnham or not, an audience of 150 members of the Jewish community had plenty of opportunity to quiz five of the Mayoral candidates at a 'Hustings' organised by the JRC and the Jewish Leadership Council, reports Clive Moss-Barclay, JRC Publicity Officer.



I to r: Sean Anstee (Con), Jane Brophy (Lib Dem), Simon Johnson (Chair) Andy Burnham (Lab), Shneur Odze (UKIP) and Will Patterson (Green)

The Hustings was held at King David High School just a few weeks before the election and was ably chaired by JLC Chief Executive, Simon Johnson. Head Boy, Nathan Boroder, gave an amusing introduction to the candidates after which they were invited to present their case as to why they should be elected. The audience was then given an opportunity to question the candidates' attitudes towards a range of topics including Brexit, hate crime and antisemitism,

homelessness, Israel, health and social care. Finally each candidate was given a minute to summarise their case and seek the audience's support at the ballot box.

The photograph above shows all the candidates holding up copies of 'A Jewish Community Manifesto for Greater Manchester' jointly published by the JRC and JLC. All five candidates had stated in their presentations that if elected, they would honour the 10 pledges contained within this Manifesto.

Friendship Brings Communities Together

The Challenging Hate Forum launched Manchester's Hate Crime Awareness Week at a 'Friendship brings Communities Together' event at Manchester Cathedral, reports Filis Rosenberg, JRC Executive Member.

The Dean of Manchester warmly welcomed everyone to the Cathedral and then handed over to BBC Radio Manchester's, Mike Shaft, to compere the event, which was officially

opened by the Lord Mayor of Manchester. In his speech the Lord Mayor shared some of his own personal experiences of hate crime and he encouraged others to report any such incidents.

The programme continued with an update of hate crime statistics by Chief Superintendent GMP, Wasim Chaudhry, before Martin Hill (Crown Prosecution Services) explained to the audience how cases of hate crime are prosecuted. The audience was then invited to participate in an interactive dance workshop led by Prajyoti Madhusudan before light refreshments were served (catering for all Faiths)

Members of the Challenging Hate Forum shared their positive experiences of building friendships between diverse communities before a stirring keynote speech by Councillor Nigel Murphy. The Lord Lieutenant of Greater Manchester spoke of the importance of friendship and kindness to others and he praised the work of the Forum.

The event closed with the award-winning Manchester Inspirational Voices Choir.



Sharron Bannister with Filis Rosenberg at the JRC Stand

Solutions not Sides

Filis Rosenberg, JRC Executive Member, reports on one of the regular meetings between a small group of members of the Manchester Jewish community and members of the Quaker community.

The Group, chaired by Rabbi Warren Elf, met in February with 'Solutions not Sides' (part of One Voice) under the FODIP umbrella. We were given the opportunity to listen to two young men, one Palestinian and One Israeli, who were hoping to be part of those who work to make a positive difference for the future of the two nations. Yasser and Sheffy were inspirational and have both been involved in great work and many different projects to increase understanding amongst Palestinians and Israelis and encourage grass roots efforts towards a peaceful solution to the conflict.

Anyone interested in this work or getting more involved to increase understanding of both sides of the conflict among the communities in Manchester can contact Rabbi Warren Elf on warren.elf@ntlworld.com



Yasser, Rabbi Warren Elf, Sheffy, Jess Bandler and Celia Hart

New Salford SACRE Chair



Alex Klein, JRC Executive member, has been elected Chairman of Salford SACRE (Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education) reports Jeremy Michaelson, JRC Vice-Chair.

JRC Showcases Its Wide Breadth of Work

The remarkable breadth of work carried out by the JRC's Working Groups was presented at the Council's March meeting and showcased the impact of the Council's new structure on both its work and involving more activists, reports **Jonny Wineberg**, Chair of JRC Executive.



Jacky Buchsbaum

Public Relations and Media

Jacky Buchsbaum explained that this Working Group has been developing a database of people with expertise in the community to improve our use of spokespersons in the media. He requested delegates and others to inform the JRC of appropriate people who are best able to represent the community in specific areas. The Group also supports the Yom HaShoah Committee in organising the annual Yom HaShoah Event which, this year, was held at the Audacious Hall in Central Manchester.

Publicity

Filis Rosenberg handed out copies of the JRC's newsletter "RepPresents" whose priority is to promote the work of the JRC and to inform the Community about the work of the Council. 4,500 copies are distributed via schools, synagogues, shops and supermarkets as well as by email to all contacts and affiliates. Filis invited members of the Community to submit news items and photographs about any events that they have attended for inclusion in future editions of RepPresents.



Rabbi Arnold Saunders

The Group has also produced a leaflet with information on the JRC's achievements and activities. The intention is for the leaflet to be updated regularly with JRC news, events and photographs.

Human Rights & Antisemitism

Jay Charara spoke about the work of the Antisemitism & Human Rights Working Group. In conjunction with the Publicity Working Group, the Group delivered a Media Training Workshop to encourage people to become more active online and counter online bias.

In the future, the Group is hoping to further promote online work, education, and represent the views of the Community wherever they can.

Fundraising

Susan Isaacs updated the council on the work of the Fundraising Working Group. The Group's main priorities are to organise the annual Community Challenge Quiz and publish the JRC Yearbook. A Variety event held in February was a great success and Steven Pearlman was thanked for all his hard work organising this event.

The Group is currently organising an art competition for school-aged children as part of the "Jewish Arts Festival For All" with the winning works to be printed in the Year Book and in RepPresents.

Education

Jeremy Michelson shared information on the work of Jewish representatives who attend Standing Advisory Councils for Religious Education (SACRE) and the fact that Warrington, Blackburn, and Rochdale SACREs still need Jewish representatives. He invited anyone who is interested to contact him via the JRC Office for further information.

Members of the Working Group take an active part in developing Holocaust Memorial Day commemorations and this January helped several local authorities to organise these events for their communities.

The Group is reaching out to smaller Jewish communities and has held talks with Rabbi Guttentag from St. Anne's Hebrew Congregation, which now has a Jewish Social and Cultural Affairs Programme. The Group is looking to work together with the Liverpool Representative Council to help other small communities such as Southport.

Developments around Jewish schools that have been rejected for Free School status are being monitored by the Group. The reason given initially was that the schools' curriculum contained 'too much emphasis on Jewish studies', and the Group was concerned that this might cause problems for established Jewish schools. The Group is in communications with

the Department of Education about clarifying the situation.

The Group organises the Community Sherman Lecture in collaboration with the Centre for Jewish Studies and the Manchester Jewish Museum which this year was given by Professor Abigail Green.

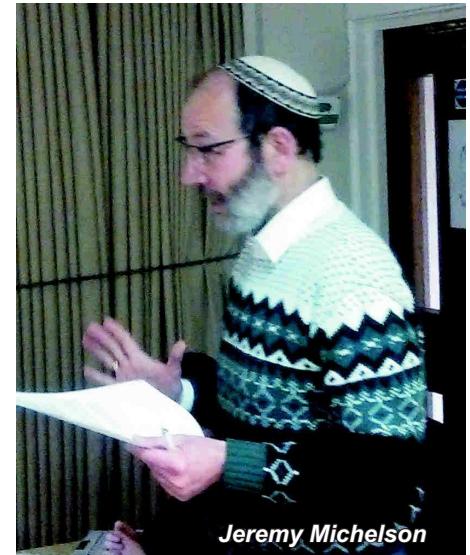
Youth and Community

David Lewis talked about the achievements of the Youth and Community Working Group. The Big Neighbourhood Bash in December was a great success with many people participating in the event. The Christmas Day Transport scheme was very well received by Churches and the people involved. 29 volunteers drove people of the Christian faith to lunches on Christmas Day.

In partnership with the JLC and King David High School the Group hosted a well attended Mayoral Hustings for the Greater Manchester Mayoral Election.

The 'Youth' aspect of the Group remains an important part of its role. Members have met with the head boys and girls from King David High School and Yavneh and are in discussion with young people about starting a Jewish Youth Forum. A youth worker is a clear requirement to make this a success.

The Group is aiming to source funding so that the community can better support young people around issues such as mental health and bullying, and ensure that young people are aware of Jewish youth activities around Manchester.



Jeremy Michelson

If you wish to participate or contribute to the work of any of the JRC Working Groups please contact the JRC Office via email to office@JewishManchester.org or by phone to Laurie at 0161 720 8721.

Rabbi Becomes Councillor

Rabbi Arnold Saunders, minister of Higher Crumpsall and Higher Broughton Synagogue, won the Council election held in March, to become Conservative Councillor for Kersal. Rabbi Saunders proved that perseverance can

pay off, having tried on three previous occasions to succeed. This time he received 850 votes with a majority of 297. **Congratulations from all your friends at the Jewish Representative Council.**

Farewell to Tony Lloyd & Jim Battle

Tony Lloyd, Acting Mayor, and Jim Battle, Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner, hosted over 100 community activists at Greater Manchester Police Headquarters to celebrate what they had achieved in their term of office, reports **Jonny Wineberg**, Chair of JRC Executive.



Filis Rosenberg with Past President David Arnold MBE and Jim Battle (right)

Tony and Jim stressed the importance of local neighbourhood policing on which GMP have been congratulated for maintaining by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary. Equally important are partnerships with communities, as exhibited by the support of those at this event.

When the two leaders took up post, one of the most dangerous places was in the home in the form of domestic violence. They have done a great deal of work to address this issue but more is still to be done.

A great deal of work on mental health has also been undertaken, led by Jim Battle who has chaired the GM Mental Health Strategic Board. As a result of this work, people are now receiving the appropriate form of care at an earlier stage of their illness.

Work has also been undertaken to prevent people from re-offending when they leave prison by continuing work started inside prison and supporting them after their release. There

has also been specific work to support women offenders by addressing the root causes such as as chaotic lives and drugs use. The cross-over between these issues and mental health is very apparent.

GMP is currently rated as a "good Police Force". They are now looking to improve recruitment to better reflect the make up of the Greater Manchester community and delivering training that also reflects the changing society.

When Tony and Jim took up their roles, they found that they had to address issues they had not expected, such as modern day slavery, cyber crime and online grooming. This continues to be an ongoing challenge for GMP.

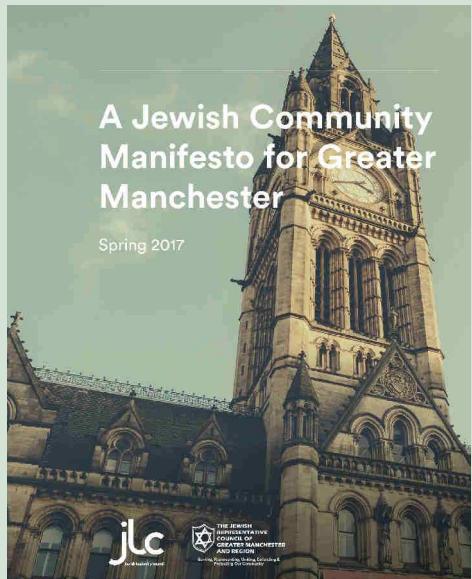
Thanks were given to all those present at the event for their contribution to the successes that had been achieved over the last few years. This was followed by syndicate work that examined what has worked, what should be kept and what else needs to be done.

Calling on Government

The Jewish Representative Council together with the Jewish Leadership Council, have published 'A Jewish Community Manifesto for Greater Manchester' calling on Government to honour ten pledges to the community.

Said Sharon Bannister, JRC President, "We have created this Manifesto to inform incumbent and prospective politicians of the issues faced by our community and to ensure that elected officials and public servants are understanding and responsive to those challenges."

The 10 pledges within the manifesto cover a range of issues including education, community safety and antisemitism, housing, health and social care, culture and heritage.



Visit the JRC website to view an online version of the Manifesto document at www.jewishmanchester.org

Breakfast with the Israeli Ambassador

Jonny Wineberg, Chair of JRC Executive, reports on breakfast with **Mark Regev**, Israeli Ambassador, that he and **Sharon Bannister**, JRC President, attended at the North West British-Israel Chamber of Commerce.



Jonny Wineberg, Mark Regev, Sharon Bannister and Gideon Klaus (Executive Director British-Israel Chamber of Commerce North West).

Over 100 local community activists were present as Mark Regev, Israeli Ambassador thanked Joy Wolfe, Doreen Gerson and Karen Solomon for their many years of service and welcomed Ria Manwell as the new Director of the Israel Information Centre in Manchester.

He gave three reasons as to why Britain should be proud of the Balfour Agreement.

Firstly Britain did the right and moral thing by standing up

for justice and the rights of the Jewish people to have their own sovereign state.

Secondly, Britain was also acting in its own best interest. Today Britain and Israel are friends and allies. This is not only good for relations and business but also for security cooperation which is saving British lives.

On the economic side, Israel is a world innovation and technology centre. Israel's recent £2.2 billion bond, launched through the London Stock Exchange, was 4 times oversubscribed - a huge vote of confidence in Israel's economy.

Thirdly, Britain stood up for democracy and played a crucial role through the Balfour Declaration in establishing the only true democracy in the Middle East.

In signing the Balfour Declaration Lord Balfour established for the Jewish people once again to have a national right to self-determination in its historic homeland. Balfour recognised that; he did not create it!

1,000 People Attend Yom Hashoah 2017

The 25 dignitaries attending this year's Yom Hashoah event at the Audacious Conference Centre were joined by over 1000 people, reports Clive Moss-Barclay, JRC Publicity Officer.

The evening was introduced by Rosie Halpern following the blowing of a shofar by Joey Goldblatt and a moving violin recital of 'Schindler's List' by Helen Tonge. Mrs Halpern explained how this year's event was focusing on the "choices" that people made in the last war. Whilst some would risk their lives to save a Jewish child; others would have no

compunction in killing babies just because they were Jewish.

Survivors Manya Stern, Sam Laskier, Icek Alterman, Peter Kurer, Adash Bulwa, Susie Salomon and Shalom Goldblatt lit the memorial candles in memory of the 6 million Jews who died in the Holocaust.

Ruth Lachs described how she had survived as a young girl in Holland under Nazi occupation after she and her family had fled there from Hamburg. She described how local people had protected her from the Nazis and how she had coped alone in a strange country and always in danger.

Guest speaker was Laurence Rees, who has made a number of TV series about the Nazis. Mr Rees described some of the interviews he had held with war criminals and what he felt were the forces that turned ordinary men into animals capable of carrying out atrocities without pity for their victims. He also described his interviews with survivors and how they had managed to live through their terrible ordeals in the concentration camps.

The Hale Boys Choir conducted by Yoni Levy and Den Salon sang Esa Eini. Third generation Avrom Aronson recited Kel Maale Rachamin, while Adash Bulwa read the Survivors Legacy and Suzanne Levy recited The Pledge of the Second and Third Generation. Kaddish was recited by Stuart Ferster, son of Chaim Ferster, who died earlier this year.

Sixth formers Gabi Black, Jake Delmonte Jonny Rose and Mel Verby brought the evening to a close recounting their experiences when they visited some of the camps in Poland with KD and Aish, and their commitment to keep alive the memories of those who had perished during those terrible years.



Ruth Lachs

Crime is Lower Where Communities are Stronger

Assistant Chief Constable Garry Shewan of Greater Manchester Police was the guest speaker at the JRC Annual General Meeting in May.

Mr Shewan addressed the Council on the subject of community and institutional responsibility in countering hate crime and antisemitism and strongly confirmed his commitment to ensuring the safety of the Jewish community. He explained that in recent years the level of hate crime has been rising across every category, not just antisemitism.



The UK's decision to leave the European Union and other global events have meant a change in the way people interact with each other worldwide. No longer solely driven by conflicts in the Middle East, antisemitism, along with other forms of hate crime, is on the rise because of questions about what it means to be British; debates about immigration; and a focus on localisation and nationalism, rather than globalism. This has resulted in a lack of tolerance across the globe towards minority groups and a marked increase in the amount of hateful rhetoric.

In his 30 years on the police force, Mr. Shewan has noticed the important role that enthusiasm for multiculturalism plays in ensuring a community's safety. Where communities are strong, crime is lower. Where communities work together, they are stronger. Mr. Shewan stated that there is no stronger community in Greater Manchester than the Jewish Community itself.

Mr. Shewan promised that the Greater Manchester Police will stand up and say no to hate crime, and do whatever it can to tackle antisemitism. But links with the community are vital, since the law alone is not always the right way to tackle hate crime, particularly that which originates from ignorance. He stressed the importance of strong communities with strong commitments standing together against all forms of hate.

Mr Shewan finished by stressing that whilst we are much safer in the UK than elsewhere, there is still a need for high levels of vigilance by the population in order to protect us from those who mean us harm.

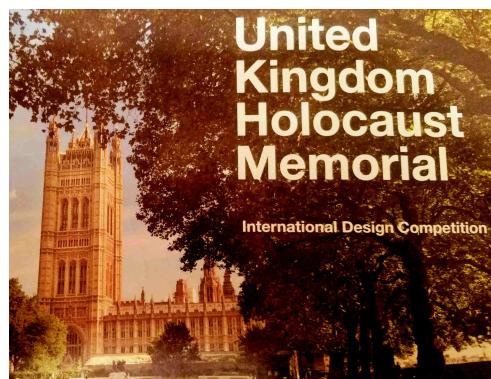
Mr. Shewan was thanked for all he has done for the community, and was presented with a gift.

UK Holocaust Memorial Consultation

Responding to an invitation from Sir Peter Bazalgette on behalf of the UK Holocaust Memorial Foundation, Filis Rosenberg, JRC Executive Member, attended the consultation event held in April at Manchester Town Hall.

The event afforded an opportunity to view the exhibition of the ten shortlisted designs. All feedback captured at the event will be shared with the 'Jury' before they make their final decision in May.

The Memorial and accompanying Learning Centre will stand in the shadow of Parliament, in Victoria Tower Gardens. The striking new structure will honour victims and survivors of Nazi persecution, educate future generations about the dangers of where prejudice and hatred can lead and serve as a powerful statement of our nation's values.



Former Sky News Man Optimistic About Israel-Arab Relations

Guest speaker Tim Marshall, former foreign affairs editor of Sky News, addressed a packed audience at the Sir Sidney and Lady Hamburger Annual Memorial Lecture in March on the subject of Israel's relationship with its Arab neighbours, reports Clive Moss-Barclay, JRC Publicity Officer.



Tim Marshall

(Photo courtesy of Clive Cass)

The event, jointly organised by the Jewish Representative Council and the Zionist Central Council, was held at Prestwich Hebrew Congregation and also included moving tributes to the late Sir Sidney Hamburger from his granddaughter, Victoria Portnoy, and from Joy Wolfe MBE, Life President, ZCC.

The theme of Mr Marshall's lecture struck a realistic tone as he believes that the Israeli-Palestinian conflict will never be overtly solved, but that it can be managed, and to a certain extent, is already being managed. Beneath the veil of Arab antipathy towards Israel, Mr Marshall reported that there is much secret activity and discussion between Israel and some of its Arab neighbours.

He cited as an example the fact that Dubai recently appointed Israel with a secret contract to install a new security system, involving a large number of Israeli technicians working in Saudi Arabia.

Mr Marshall also believes that when peace eventually replaces conflict in Syria, it will also be more disposed to working with Israel.

JAFFA Art Competition & Exhibition

We would like to invite all young people in School Years 3 to 11 to participate in this exciting event taking place in July as part of JAFFA, Jewish Arts Festival For All.

The winning works will be displayed on Sunday July 9 from 2.00pm at the new Norman Stoller Hall, Huntsbank, Manchester which is part of Chethams school located near to Victoria station. The presentation of awards and reception will take place at 5.30pm that day.

The Theme is 'Jewish Manchester' and we are looking for creativity across the whole platform of art including drawings, paintings, craft, ceramics, sculpture, modern digital, etc. A selection of the art work will be photographed and reproduced in the Jewish Representative Council's Annual Year Book, 2018



Art Competition & Exhibition

Entries are invited for all artwork on the theme of:
'JEWISH MANCHESTER'

Drawings, Paintings, Sculptures, Ceramics,
Collages, Tapestry or Videos of up to 1 minute

The competition is open to those in school years 3 to 11
and will be judged in three age categories.

For full details and an entry form, go to:
www.jewishmanchester.org/jaffa/comp

Two winners and two runners-up will be selected in each age group plus several more awards given for other entries of merit

the Exhibition will be held on

SUNDAY 9TH JULY from 2pm

at

The Stoller Hall, Chetham's School, Manchester
with all entrants invited to a special reception and presentation at 5.30pm

For more information email arts@jewishmanchester.org or call 0161 720 8721

All details are on the registration form regarding packaging, size of paper to be used and where the art work can be submitted. This form must be completed when submitting the work. Any queries please email art@jewishmanchester.org Download an application in pdf format from: www.jewishmanchester.org/JAFFA.

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Always check the Communal Diary BEFORE arranging your event to reduce the chances of clashing with other events. Phone or email us to add your event to the Diary.

L-R: Filis Rosenberg, Barbara Goldstone, Tony Lloyd & Sharon Bannister



General Election Hustings



Bury South Hustings with (l-r) Ivan Lewis (Lab), Robert Langan (Con), Andrew Page (Lib Dem) & Jonny Wineberg, Chair of JRC Executive.

General Election Hustings for the Jewish community are being run in four seats by the Jewish Representative Council in partnership with The Jewish Leadership Council, The Board of Deputies of British Jews and Holy Law South Broughton Synagogue, Heaton Park Hebrew Congregation, Yeshurun Hebrew Congregation and the Bowdon Synagogue.

The Jewish Community has been encouraged to attend in order to question the candidates and to make their voice heard.

The first two Hustings have been held prior to going to press. Both attracted large audiences and proved to be most informative events with considerable interaction between the candidates and the audiences over a wide range of topics with emphasis placed on Health & Social Care, Brexit and Israel.



Blackley & Broughton Hustings with (l-r) David Jones (Green Party), Graham Stringer (Labour), Marc Levy (JLC NW Regional Manager), Richard Gadsden (Lib Dem) & David Semple (Conservative agent standing in for David Goss, the Conservative candidate, who was unable to attend due to a family bereavement)

Please Support the JRC by Advertising in our Year Book

Dear Friends,

It is now time for us to produce our 2018 Year Book which is an extensive and valued source of Jewish communal reference and information, as well as providing the JRC with the necessary funds to continue our essential work for and on behalf of the Jewish Community.

You can contribute either by placing an advertisement for your business or with a personal message in the 2018 Year Book.

To obtain a form please email (office@jewishmanchester.org); phone (0161 720 8721); or download from our Facebook page (Jewish Manchester) or from our website (www.jewishmanchester.org). The deadline for returning forms is 30 June 2017 to ensure your advertisement is included.

Your support is fundamental to the continuance of the Jewish Representative Council's crucial work on behalf of the Community.

I do hope that you will agree to support us.

Sharon Bannister

President

Greater Manchester Emergency Services Presents...

26th July 2017

Collabor8

Strength in diversity #Collabor8Bury

Bury College - 12-4pm
MILLENNIUM CENTRE, MARKET ST, BURY BL9 0DD

BRINGING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER FOR A CELEBRATION OF MULTICULTURALISM AND FAITHS

- ★ Meet the police horses ★ Rap artist ★
- ★ Make up and Henna ★ Demonstrations ★
- ★ Discover food and dress from different cultures ★
- ★ Emergency service vehicles ★ Fun for all the family ★
- ★ Volunteer organisation's from across the borough ★

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FREE ENTRY TO EVENT

Community Events Diary

- Sunday 4th June: **JEWISH REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING; 10.30am**
Neshomo Greater Manchester Community Lecture; 7pm
- Sunday 11th June: **Hachnosas Sefer Torah in Memory of Rabbi Yehuda Brodie; All day**
Broughton Jewish Cassel Fox Primary School Garden Party; 2pm
- Sunday 8th June: **AJEX 75th Anniversary Special Parade & Remembrance Event; 2.15pm**
- Wed 21st June: **PHC & ZCC Present a Lecture by Professor David Newman; 8pm**
- Sunday 25th June: **The Friendship Circle - Football Tournament; 10am**
- Monday 26th June: **Chai Cancer Care Official Opening; 6.30pm**
- Sunday 2nd July: **JEWISH REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEETING; 10.30am**
JEWISH ARTS FESTIVAL FOR ALL (JAFFA); 11am to 5pm
- Monday 3rd July: **JAFFA Comedy Night; 7.30pm**
- Sunday 9th: **JAFFA Art Exhibition from 2pm; Presentations 5.30pm**
JAFFA Gala Concert; 7.30pm

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