

Cooking the Globe with Chef Alba Johnson (VIRTUAL)

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Exceptional Sides for the Holidays, October 14

Make your holiday table unforgettable with side dishes that are anything but ordinary. Chef Alba will share elegant, flavor-packed recipes that bring color, texture, and plenty of wow factor to the meal. Whether you're hosting or bringing a dish to share, these standout sides may just steal the spotlight from the main course. Menu: Gratin of Broccoli Cauliflower with Toasted Almonds, Puré of Creamy Sweet Potatoes and Cheese, and Insalata di Radicchio di Verona Pere e Gorgonzola.

Minimum Fuss Maximum Flavors, December 2

Need fresh ideas for fast, delicious dinners? In this class, chef Alba will show you how to prepare elegant meals with minimal fuss and maximum flavor. Perfect for busy weeknights, these recipes come together quickly while still feeling special and satisfying. Menu: Pollo All'arancia, Baked Potatoes with Creamy Whipped Feta, and Carrot Salad with Pistachios Dates and Tahini Dressing.

Jewish Short Stories with Gail Lipsitz (VIRTUAL)

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; October 15 through November 19

Enjoy reading short fiction by outstanding Jewish writers, and share your reactions and insights in lively group discussions. Stories will be distributed a week before each class.

Fall of the Soviet Union & the Yeltsin years with Rich Caballero

Fridays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 11/13 - 12/11, no class 11/27 (HYBRID)

We will examine the life of Josef V. Djugashvili, better known as Stalin, tracing his rise from the son of a violent, alcoholic cobbler to the leader of a nuclear superpower. Through ruthless ambition, he climbed the Bolshevik ranks and transformed the USSR through industrialization and collectivization, policies that caused millions of deaths. His purges and wartime leadership during the conflict with Nazi Germany contributed to even greater losses. Despite his brutal rule, Stalin died of natural causes in 1953. ONSITE Fees (Gold \$55, Members \$65 and Guests \$80 per person)

Talmudic Personalities with Rabbi Harry Karp (HYBRID)

Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.; November 17 through December 8

For years, my friends at the Myerberg have heard me quote the Talmud. But who were these rabbis, and why do their voices still matter? They were often more like us than you'd think—teachers, leaders, husbands, workers, and imperfect people living through extraordinary times. Join me for a new course as we meet these colorful rabbis, their remarkable wives, and women scholars of the tradition. You may even discover you're connected to some of them.

ONSITE Fees (Gold \$55, Members \$65 and Guests \$80)

Bagel Bunch Speaker Series

Bagel Boys (ONSITE & VIRTUAL)

Tuesdays, 10:00 to 11:15 a.m.

Bagel Bunch (VIRTUAL)

Fridays, 9:00 to 10:15 a.m.

Schedule can be found at myerberg.org/schedule

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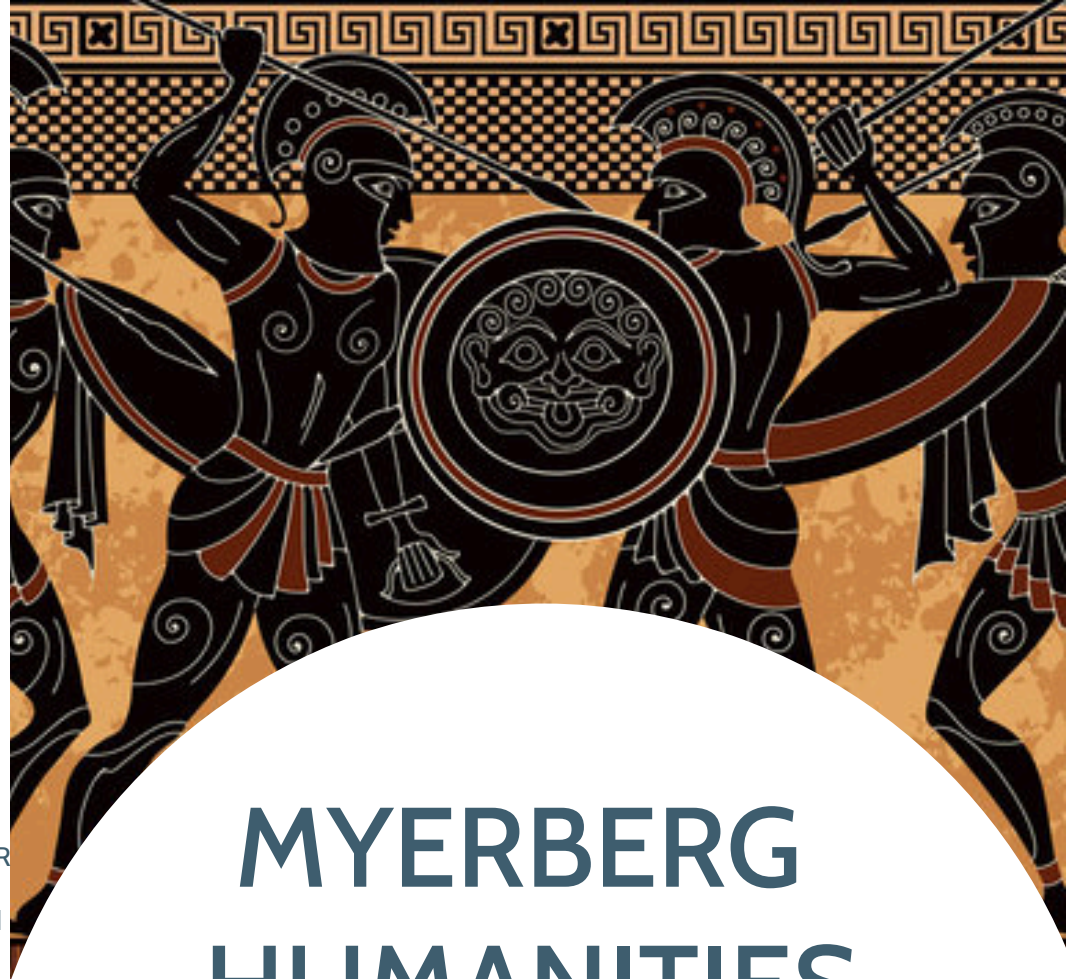
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Israeli Leaders Who Built Up the Land with Rabbi Harry Karp (HYBRID)

Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

August 25 through September 15

How well do we know the builders of the Modern State of Israel? We recognize names like Ben-Gurion, Henrietta Szold, and Golda, but there are many more stories to discover. Together, we'll go back to the 1700s to meet the visionaries, pioneers, and ordinary people who rebuilt the Jewish homeland against all odds. From making the desert bloom to battling disease and building community, these brave men and women helped shape Israel as we know it. They are people we should know.

ONSITE Fees (Gold \$55, Members \$65 and Guests \$80 per person)

Breaking News with Ron Matz & John Rydell

Mondays, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (VIRTUAL & FREE for members)

September 14 through December 21, no class 9/21

Local experienced news reporters will take turns hosting a current events discussion in alternating weeks. Join us for an engaging and interactive session where we delve into the latest headlines and significant happenings from around the globe. This virtual discussion is an opportunity for participants to exchange perspectives, stay informed, and explore diverse viewpoints on current affairs. Bring your questions to this amazing hour filled with news and laughs.

Important Historic Sites All Around Us with Rabbi Harry Karp (HYBRID)

Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.; September 22 through October 13

Maryland has its challenges, but as a place rich in history and culture, it offers so much to explore. From the Civil War, Civil Rights, and the War of 1812 to maritime history, railroads, nature, and the Chesapeake Bay, there is something for everyone. In this course, we'll discover the people, places, and stories of Baltimore, Annapolis, Frederick, Ellicott City, Hagerstown, and beyond. Join us to learn more about your state—you may leave enriched, curious, and proud.

ONSITE Fees (Gold \$55, Members \$65 and Guests \$80 per person)

Understanding Greek Art with Dr. Joseph Cassar (VIRTUAL)

Mondays, 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. October 5 through November 23

Why does Greek civilization still shape how we see beauty, power, and the human experience? This course explores the lasting influence of ancient Greece through architecture, painting, sculpture, pottery, and coinage, with special attention to the Greek fascination with the human form. Far more than statues and ruins, Greek art reveals a civilization grappling with timeless questions about beauty, strength, identity, and meaning. Through vivid images and discussion, we will uncover the stories and ideas behind these remarkable works—and discover why they still resonate today.

Women in TV (I & II) with Carol Sefret (ONSITE)

Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; Part 1 -October 7 to October 28

Part 2 - November 4 to November 25

Part one covers each decade starting in the 40s with costumes, stories, videos and information connecting what is going on culturally in our society and how that is portrayed with the famous women in tv on shows like I Love Lucy, Ozzie and Harriet, The Dick Van Dyke Show, Mary Tyler Moore, That Girl, All in the Family, Maude and many more. Part two explores family TV from the 1980s, modern hits like Friends, and classics such as The Golden Girls. We'll examine talk shows and their influence on female audiences, and step back in time with period dramas like Downton Abbey and Bridgerton. ONSITE Fees per part (Gold \$65, Members \$75 and Guests \$90 per person)

Drama Workshop with Stacy Kessler (ONSITE)

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; October 8 through October 29

In this theater workshop we will be reading scenes from popular plays, and discovering how to perform them for an audience. With Script-In-Hand Theatre, you will not need to memorize lines or move about the stage. You will need, your voice, listening skills, and imagination, in order to create dynamic and believable characters. In this course you will learn acting and performing techniques that will help you deliver a captivating performance. If you've always wanted to be a star...this is your chance to shine, and bring wonderful stories to life!

ONSITE Fees (Gold \$40, Members \$50 and Guests \$65 per person)

The Great Baltimore Fire 1904: From Devastation to Determination with Bev Rosen (ONSITE)

Fridays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.; October 9 through October 30

Explore the Great Baltimore Fire, which devastated downtown, destroyed 1,500 buildings, and left 35,000 people unemployed. Learn how Baltimore rebuilt with wider streets, safer buildings, and renewed determination. Through photos, videos, and firsthand stories, discover the people, places, and events that shaped one of the city's greatest comeback stories. ONSITE Fees (Gold \$65, Members \$75, Guests \$90)

The Beauty and Architecture of Synagogues and Temples with Rabbi Harry Karp (HYBRID)

Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.; October 20 through November 10

Whether we attend often or rarely, Jewish buildings make powerful statements about who we are and what we value. Synagogues and sacred spaces reflect art, architecture, faith, practicality, and at times even safety concerns—shaping the kind of Jewish life we embrace or aspire to. We will explore Jewish buildings from the old country to America, across all denominations, and discover how the enduring hope for Israel has been expressed in sacred spaces through the ages.

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