#### Israel is about to reach it's 75th year.

It is a time of celebration and a time of deep reflection.

We could not contain this moment in just one day, so we have a series of events to mark this momentous occasion during such complicated and challenging days.

#### A special Lev Tahor Kabbalat Shabbat Service Potluck and Conversation with our Shaliach, Elad Bar Ilan Friday April 21 | 6:30PM (at PSJC and on Zoom)

Join us for a lay-led, "all-singing" Kabbalat Shabbat, followed by an Israeli-infused potluck dinner and conversation with our Shaliach, Elad Bar Ilan to help us better understand all that is happening in Israel as she reaches 75. Bring your voices, your questions and a pareve or dairy dish to share -- all voices welcome!!

# Pitput—Songs of Loss and Remembrance. Music and conversation in Hebrew Sunday, April 23 | 11:00AM-1PM on Zoom

This 3rd annual special session of PiTPUT will be a musical commemoration of Yom HaZikaron, the Israeli Memorial Day for the fallen soldiers and victims of terrorism. If you are a Hebrew speaker (at any level), and would like to attend this session, please contact kishkush.at.psjc@gmail.com for the song book and translation for this session.

#### Brooklyn Community Yom HaZikaron memorial service Monday, April 24 | 7:00PM

at Brooklyn Heights Synagogue (131 Remsen Street, Brooklyn)
See below for details.

### **Park Slope Jewish Center**

#### North American Jews and Israelis in Transition: Sadness & Celebration, Exploring the In Between Tuesday, April 25 | 7pm - 8:30pm

Kane Street Synagogue, 236 Kane Street

The time between Yom Ha-Zikaron (Day of Remembrance) and Yom Ha-atzmaut (Independence Day) is a time of transition for Israeli Jews: from mourning to joy, from sadness to celebration. Maital Friedman, a Vice President at the Shalom Hartman Institute of North America and Rabbi Michelle Dardashti of Kane Street Synagogue–together with Rabbis Carie Carter, Sam Levine, Serge Lippe, Amichai Lau Lavie & Brooklyn JAFI Shaliach, Elad Bar Ilan –will reflect on this transitional moment on the calendar and what it means for us as North American Jews.

Together, we will consider our personal and communal connections to Israel as the country turns 75 and during this particularly tumultuous and challenging moment in Israel's history. Join in this evening of transition as we remember, reflect and rejoice. The evening will include study, ceremony, and celebration; we'll usher in Yom Ha-atzmaut together with festive music and kibud (Israeli nosh!)!

Please register HERE.

#### Atzmaut Family Festival Wednesday, April 26 | 5:30-7:30PM

at Hannah Senesh Community Dayschool (342 Smith Street)

We invite all families in our greater Brooklyn Jewish community to join us for our FREE family festival celebrating 75 years of Israel with family-fun activities, including: live Israeli music, food and drinks, a scavenger hunt, photo booth, rikkud (Israeli folk dancing), and more! Coordinated by Hannah Senesh parent committee, in partnership with: East Midwood Jewish Center, Israeli American Council, JCC Brooklyn Summer Camp, Jewish Agency for Israel, Kane Street Synagogue, Park Slope Jewish Center, PJ Library, Sprout Brooklyn Day Camp, and UJA-Federation of New York. Register here.

#### Kabbalat Shabbat Kulanu Friday, April 28 | 6:30PM at PSJC

A musical, all ages Friday night service, followed by parve/dairy potluck dinner and conversation about how we talk and teach about Israel. Note, this service and dinner are REQUIRED for 7th grade families in place of Hebrew School on April 30th.

### Journey Through the Israel Trail Sunday, April 30 | during Hebrew School for 3rd - 6th Grade

## Zionism and American Jews: Bringing us Together and Pulling Us Apart Sunday April, 30th | 10:00AM - 5:00PM

Consider joining the Center for Jewish History for a special Jewish Public History Forum that marks the State of Israel's 75th birthday by gathering twenty internationally recognized scholars at the Center for Jewish History to discuss the long relationship between the American Jewish community and the Zionist movement. www.cjh.org/Zionism/

#### Israeli Short Film and Discussion with Elad Bar Ilan Wednesday, May 3 | 7:00PM on Zoom

Join us for the third and final film in a series of Israeli short films, White Eye. See below for details about the film.

### A New Perspective: Contemporary Israeli and Palestinian Women's Poetry Saturday, May 6 | 1:00PM

Reading poems from contemporary female Israeli and Palestinian poets, we will explore lesser discussed perspectives on Israeli society, the West Bank, and the female experience. Led by Rabbinic Fellow Talia Kaplan.

Conversation with Joseph Braude
Wednesday, May 10 | 7:30PM on Zoom with EMJC

#### Conversation with Michael Bauer Wednesday, May 17 | 7:30PM on Zoom with EMJC

Michael Bauer is the author of Israel Journey and is a field-educator on Israeli-Arab relations, Israel's borders and neighbors, Middle East politics and history. He has guided geopolitical tours around Israel and the Middle East for more than 24 years.

Conversation with Izhar Hess of Masorti Movement in Israel Sunday, June 11 | 10:00AM on Zoom