

MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH:  
A special gift by Norman and  
Irma Braman with additional  
funds from the Braman Chair  
in Holocaust Studies and the  
Harry Rich Endowment at the  
Center for Jewish Studies.

ALL SESSIONS ARE AT HILLEL, ARE  
FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:  
University of Florida Hillel  
Norman H Lipoff Hall  
2020 W. University Ave  
Gainesville, FL 32603

**WWW.JST.UFL.EDU**

~~REWRITING THE JEWISH  
HISTORY OF THE HOLOCAUST~~

MARCH 17-19, 2012

Jewish Partisans in Naliboki Forest, Belarus, 1944. Courtesy USHMM



CENTER FOR JEWISH STUDIES  
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

**SATURDAY  
MARCH 17**

**8:00 PM**

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS:**

**DAN MICHMAN**

(Bar-Ilan University & Yad Vashem)

“The Jewish Dimension of the  
Holocaust in Dire Straits: Current  
Challenges of Interpretation & Scope”

**SUNDAY  
MARCH 18**

**8:30 - 10:30 AM**

**UNDERSTANDING MAJOR GHETTOS**

**PRESENTERS:**

**GORDON HORWITZ**

(Illinois Wesleyan University)

“An Overwhelming Presence:  
Reflections on Chaim Rumkowski and  
His Place in Our Understanding of the  
Łódź Ghetto”

**SARA BENDER**

(University of Haifa)

“Daily Life in the Kielce and Białystok  
Ghettos: A Comparative Study”

**SAMUEL KASSOW**

(Trinity University)

“Documenting Catastrophe: The  
Ringelblum Archive and the Warsaw  
Ghetto”

**COMMENT:**

**DAN MICHMAN**

(Bar-Ilan University & Yad Vashem)

**10:45 AM - 12:45 PM**

**CAMPS, SHTETLAKH, AND  
SURVIVOR TESTIMONY**

**PRESENTERS:**

**DANIEL BLATMAN**

(Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

“The Death March Experience in Survivor  
Testimony and Memoirs”

**CHRISTOPHER BROWNING**

(University of North Carolina at  
Chapel Hill)

“Survivor Testimony From  
Starachowice and the Dynamics of  
the Slave Labor Camp Prisoner  
Community”

**ALEXANDRA GARBARINI**

(Williams College)

“Diaries and Multi-Perspectival  
Narratives”

**OMER BARTOV**

(Brown University)

“The Voice of Your Brother’s Blood:  
Buczacz, Biography of a Town”

*Comments from the audience*

**2:30 - 4:30 PM**

**APPROACHES TO RESISTANCE  
AND ESCAPE**

**PRESENTERS:**

**RENÉE POZNANSKI**

(Ben-Gurion University)

“Jewish Communists in France During  
World War II: Resistance and Identity”

**BOB MOORE**

(University of Sheffield)

“Integrating Self-Help Into the History  
of Jewish Survival in Western Europe”

**STEVEN BOWMAN**

(University of Cincinnati)

“Freedom and Death: The Jews and  
the Greek Andartiko”

**NECHAMA TEC**

(University of Connecticut)

“Couriers”

*Comments from the audience*

**5:00 PM**

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

**OLGA GERSHENSON**

(University of Massachusetts at  
Amherst)

“The Missing Pieces: The Holocaust  
on Soviet Screens”

**MONDAY  
MARCH 19**

**8:30 - 10:30 AM**

**INTERNATIONAL JEWISH  
REACTION DURING AND  
AFTER THE HOLOCAUST**

**PRESENTERS:**

**RICHARD BREITMAN**

(American University)

“James G. McDonald, Jewish Elites and  
the Refugee Crisis”

**ARIEH KOCHAVI**

(University of Haifa)

“Powerless to Influence: Jewish  
Organizations vs. American and  
British Administrations”

**MICHAEL MENG**

(Clemson University)

“Engaging with a Vanished World:  
Jewish Encounters with Postwar Europe”

**COMMENT:**

**GERHARD L. WEINBERG**

(University of North Carolina at  
Chapel Hill)

**10:45 - 12:45 PM**

**PROBLEMS IN JEWISH NARRATIVE**

**PRESENTERS:**

**SARA HOROWITZ**

(York University)

“‘If He Knows to Make a Child...’:  
Memories of Birth and Baby-Killing in  
Jewish Testimony Narratives”

**TUVIA FRILING**

(Ben-Gurion University)

“Contested Memory: The Story of a  
Kapo in Auschwitz—History, Memory &  
Politics”

**MANUELA CONSONNI**

(Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

“Being There, Writing Here: Survival  
and Witnessing”

**COMMENT:**

**DAVID ENGEL**

(New York University)

~~REWRITING THE JEWISH~~  
~~HISTORY OF THE HOLOCAUST~~

-----  
MARCH 17-19, 2012

Image: Mordechai Chaim Rumkowski, the "Elder of the Jews" in the Łódź Ghetto : Courtesy USHM

All sessions are at Hillel, are free  
and open to the public.



CENTER FOR JEWISH STUDIES  
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA