

HIGH HOLIDAYS 5872

### Greetings from Our Temple President

Hineni, meaning "Here I am," is a prayer traditionally recited at both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. Announcing our presence to engage in worship seems particularly potent for these High Holidays.

What an unpredictable year it has been. And while we had all hoped to be together in person

at TIOH, we will, in any event, come together however each of us feels most comfortable, in whatever way we can best care for ourselves and the health and safety of each other. Yet, whether in person in the building, or from our homes we will all be "here" -- present and together in worship and community.

The year ahead is already presenting new challenges as we navigate the emerging Covid variants. Still, it also promises to be an exciting one for TIOH as we begin a new chapter with our new Senior Rabbi Mari Chernow. The planning and preparations leading up to this moment have ensured a smooth transition and start to the year as we welcome in 5782.

We have so much to be proud of as we reflect on the past year when we quickly pivoted to provide remote schooling and a full array of innovative and engaging worship, social justice, and arts programming. We will continue to build on these this year, while we integrate safe in-person opportunities as well. I invite you to talk with us and learn about TIOH and the ways you can become involved.

Regardless of the challenges we face, one thing remains constant at TIOH. We are a community that cares and celebrates one another. And whatever highs and lows 5782 has in store, TIOH will continue to support and engage us throughout. I encourage all of us, that as we continue to be there for one another, to also take time to care for ourselves. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to our clergy if you need pastoral counsel and support.

My family and I wish you all a *Shanah Tovah u'Metukah*, a good and sweet new year. On behalf of our clergy, our staff, and the Board of Trustees, I thank you for being "here" with us as we greet the new year of 5782. May you experience thoughtful and intentional reflection, fulfillment, and meaning throughout the High Holidays and this coming year.

Warmly,

Heidi Segal, President, Board of Trustees



Dear TIOH Community,

Rabbi Avraham Yitzhak Hakohen Kook (Rav Kook) writes in a poem:

Rise up!

Rise up, for you have the strength to do so. You have wings of the spirit, wings of powerful eagles. Do not deny them, or they will deny you.

Seek them and you will find them immediately.



If we use this High Holiday season well, we will elevate ourselves. We will refine the direction of our lives so that it aligns with the deepest needs of our souls and the greatest gifts we share. We will enter the depths of introspection, face honest feedback, and ultimately find spiritual courage that we did not know we had. "Rise up!" says Rav Kook, "You have wings! Don't miss this chance to soar! Don't miss this chance to become your holy self!"

As we reflect, we acknowledge that 5781 was quite painful for many. The pandemic made everything more difficult. The personal, national, and global challenges were very nearly too much to bear. For others, goodness and blessing prevailed. The year was a retreat into a quiet and calm, highlighting gratitude and deepening close relationships.

Our TIOH community has seen much change. We said goodbye to beloved members of our leadership and wished them well on their next chapters. We are building new relationships as our community reforms and takes shape. It is comforting to know that the foundational values upon which TIOH rests remain the same. We are as committed as ever to caring for one another, repairing our world and pursuing deep spiritual journeys.

We look forward to a full program year. We are planning for both in-person and virtual events. In the coming weeks, we will celebrate Sukkot and Simchat Torah, kick off a monthly series "Tuesdays with Mari" and discuss Israel through the book *Catch-67*. Look out for further opportunities to gather, learn, and pray. We can't wait until a time when we can safely enjoy meals together and sing our hearts out.

We pray that these High Holidays inspire us to become our holiest selves. Above all, we pray that 5782 brings blessing upon blessing to you and your dear ones. May you be inscribed in the book of life. May 5782 be a year of contentment, joy, healing, and hope.

Rabbi Mari Chernow Rabbi Michelle Missaghieh Rabbi Calvin Dox-DaCosta Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox ROSH HASHANAH

### ראש השנה

### Erev Rosh Hashanah Labor Day, Monday, September 6

### 5:00–6:15 pm Opening the Gates: An Erev Rosh Hashanah Experience in the Rosove Chapel/Miller Hall

Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Michelle Missaghieh, Calvin Dox-DaCosta, Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox, our professional High Holiday Vocal Ensemble, and pianist Michael Alfera. Sermon by Rabbi Dox-DaCosta. **Click for online access.** 

### Rosh Hashanah - First Day Tuesday, September 7

#### 8:30-9:00 am Livestream Family Service (Toddler-Gr 2)

Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Michelle Missaghieh, Calvin Dox-DaCosta, Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox, and TIOH Songleaders Lana Epshteyn & Isabel Grossman-Sartain. <u>Click for online access.</u>

### 10:00 am Nussbaum Sanctuary Service\*

Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Calvin Dox-DaCosta, and Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox, with the High Holiday Vocal Ensemble and instrumentalists. Shofar by David Rosove.

### 10:00 am Minyan Service in the Rosove Chapel/Miller Hall\*

Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Michelle Missaghieh and Lisa Silverstein, with the Chai Tones Band led by Michael Skloff (Beth Bergman, Lenny Coltun, Diana Demetras, Allison Levine, Carole Levine, Roger Keller, Neil Ricklen, Yoram Roman, and Bill Von Ravenburg). Shofar by Eric Levander. Click for online access.

\*Special note: Rabbi Chernow will be present and offer sermons at both services. Temple President Heidi Segal will offer a welcome.

In Los Angeles 1 in 5 people identify as food insecure, with 1 in 4 children not knowing where their next meal will be coming from.

Thank you for supporting JFSLA/SOVA and taking a grocery bag on Rosh Hashanah and returning it FULL on Yom Kippur





### Rosh Hashanah - Second Day Wednesday, September 8

### 10:00 am Second Day Service in the Rosove Chapel

Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Michelle Missaghieh, Calvin Dox-DaCosta, and Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox. Sermon by Rabbi Dox-DaCosta.

#### Click for online access.

An intimate service during which TIOH members and friends will each reflect on one of the prayers of the High Holiday liturgy.

FEATURING:









Michael Alfera

Ricka Fisher

Roger Schwarz

Abby Sosnow

Join us for online services, visit <u>my.tioh.org/HHD</u>

### KOL NIDRE & YOM KIPPUR

### Kol Nidre Wednesday, September 15

### 6:00 pm Livestreamed Family Kol Nidre Service

Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Michelle Missaghieh, Calvin Dox-DaCosta, and Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox.

### 8:00 pm Kol Nidre Service in the Nussbaum Sanctuary

Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Michelle Missaghieh, Calvin Dox-DaCosta, and Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox, with the High Holiday Vocal Ensemble. Sermon by Rabbi Chernow.

For Kol Nidre & Yom Kippur Services we invite our members to come dressed in white

### Yom Kippur Morning Thursday, September 16

### 10:00 am Yom Kippur Nussbaum Sanctuary Service\*\*

Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Calvin Dox-DaCosta, Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox, with the High Holiday Vocal Ensemble.

### 10:00 am Minyan Service in the Rosove Chapel/Miller Hall\*\*

Led by Rabbis Michelle Missaghieh and Lisa Silverstein, with Rabbi Mari Chernow, and an instrumental trio led by Michael Skloff.

\*\*Special note: Rabbi Missaghieh will be present and offer sermons at both services.

G'mar Chatimah Tovah

- May you be inscribed in the book of life for good



# Join us for online services, visit <u>my.tioh.org/HHD</u>

### כל נדרי ויום כיפור

### Yom Kippur Afternoon Thursday, September 16

Afternoon Seminars: Feed Your Mind & Soul 2:00–3:00 pm

### Study & Discussions with Rabbi Mari Chernow

This text study session will be a discussion of a short story that addresses themes of *teshuva* and transformation. Location: Miller Hall



### YK Yoga with Zach Lasker

Quiet your mind, stretch your body, and open your heart to new intentions as we settle into 5782. Join Zach Lasker, Executive Director, for a multi-level gentle practice. Location: Goodman Courtyard and Zoom. Click here for access.



### Book Discussion for YACHAD

Join Rabbi Calvin Dox-DaCosta and your fellow Yachadniks as we conclude our Elul book club discussion about Rabbi Alan Lew's This Is Real and You Are Completely Unprepared: The Days of Awe as a Journey of Transformation. Location: Rosove Chapel.



### Spiritual Journeys: God In Our Lives

Join fellow TIOH members in a presentation of (what some may call) God in Our Lives. Led by TIOH congregants. Location: Nussbaum Sanctuary.



Seta Keshishian



Lizzie Schwartz



David Weissman

### YOM KIPPUR

### **GENERAL TIOH INFO**

### Yom Kippur Afternoon Continued Thursday, September 16

3:15 pm Mincha/Afternoon Service in the Nussbaum Sanctuary Led by Rabbis Mari Chernow, Michelle Missaghieh, Calvin Dox-DaCosta, Cantorial Soloist Shelly Fox with the High Holiday Vocal Ensemble, and pianist Michael Alfera.

Featuring Rev. William Barber II
Joining us virtually from Goldsboro, NC is
Rev. Barber, President and Senior Lecturer
at Repairers of the Breach and co-chair of
the Poor People's Campaign: A National



Interactive Book of Jonah Experience



Call for Moral Revival.

Join Rabbi Mari and witness the story of Jonah come to life in the form of a Bibliodrama--where we explore the characters and ask questions about the book through this interactive conversation.

4:45 pm *Yizkor* Service/Remembering our Loved Ones A meditative time to connect and honor our deceased loved ones through song, Torah, and a video presentation.

5:30 pm *Ne'ilah*/Closing the Gates of Forgiveness Featuring the Mostly Kosher band.



6:15 pm Final Shofar Blast and Havdallah

<u>YIZKOR SERVICE (SUKKOT)</u>
<u>Tuesday, September 28 at 8:00 am</u>
in partnership with Congregation Kol Ami



# COMMUNITY

#### Let's do something together!



The more we build strong relationships to each other, the more enriched, alive, vibrant, and powerful we are as a community. This year, more than ever, our congregation will continue to to focus on building deeply transformational relationships as individuals and as a community. Jump in and join one or more of these opportunities, or create something new!

Some of our very successful groups have included:

- Intro to Mindful Meditation
- Memoir Writing
- Women's Rosh Chodesh Group
- TIOH Tutor Corps
- TIOH Men's Group
- Social Justice Coalition





Contact Leia Grossman,
TIOH's Director of Community Engagement at
<a href="mailto:lgrossman@tioh.org">lgrossman@tioh.org</a> to learn how you can get involved
and help create a community group.

Join Rabbi Mari's

# Book Club

Discuss the book and Israel's political dilemmas with the Senior Rabbi

CATCH-67

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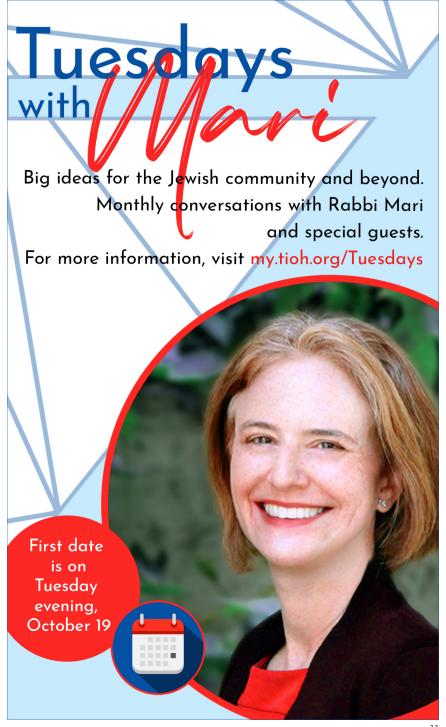
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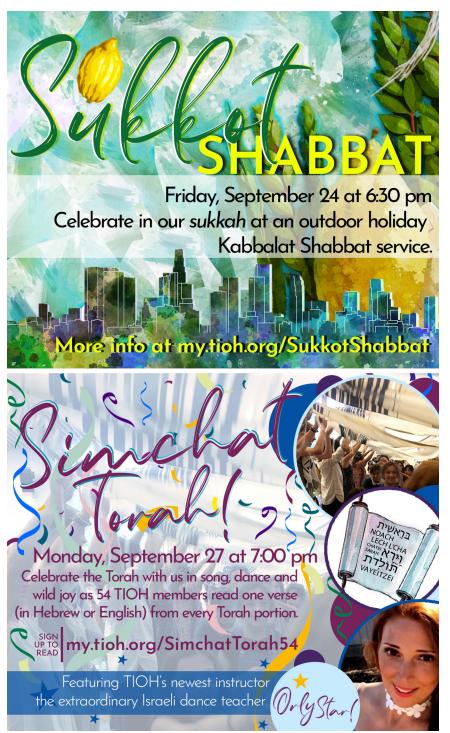
THE SIX-DAY WAR



MICAH GOODMAN

Thursday, October 21 from 7:00–8:15 pm More info at my.tioh.org/Catch67







## TIMH ARTS&CULTURE

CREATIVITY O COMPASSION O CONNECTION O COMMUNITY

A brand new season of in-person and online performances, screenings, concerts, talks, and more!



Julie Weitz:
Prayer for Burnt Forests
Wednesday, September 29 | 7:00 pm

Julie Weitz, Prayer for Burnt Forests, archival inkjet print, 2021

Women's Voices, Women's Souls Sunday, October 17 | 7:30 pm

Los Angeles Iewish Symphony, photo by Guy Madmoni

Co-presented by TIOH Arts & Culture, Los Angeles Jewish Symphony, Dr. Noreen Green, Artistic Director, and the Lowell Milken Center for Music of American Jewish Experience at the UCLA Herb Alpert School of Music.



Evgeny Afineevksy: Francesco

Thursday, November 4 | 7:00 pm

Roger Guenveur Smith: Otto Frank

Thursday, November 18 | 7:30 pm





The Guy Mintus Trio: A Gershwin Playground Thursday, December 2 | 7:30 pm

Guy Mintus, photo by Meged Gozan

Sophia Weltman:
From Line
Now on view in Shpall Hall

Sophia Weltman, head sketch 2, graphite on paper



Be sure to mark your calendar and take advantage of TIOH member discounts for you and your guests.

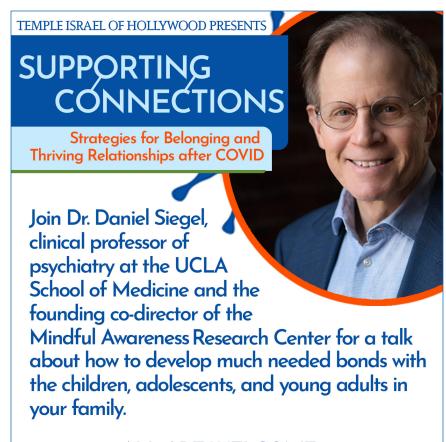


The Judith & Bernard Briskin Judaica and Art Collection On view throughout the building

Audience members exploring The Briskin Collection before a performance, photo by Mae Koo

Get tickets and learn more about our upcoming Arts & Culture events and exhibitions at arts.tioh.org





### **ALL ARE WELCOME**

Monday, November 8, 8:00-9:15 pm

Online at my.tioh.org/DrSiegel

Co-Sponsored by Bay-Nimoy ECC, Briskin Elementary School, and the TIOH Religious School & Teen Program.

Generously funded by the Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE COALITION TIKKUN OLAM AT TIOH





Help prepare and serve a holiday dinner and distribute toys, hygiene kits, and personal care items to our neighbors in need. Families decorate and arrange toys and other items on set-up day. Ages 13+ volunteer on Christmas Day. In partnership with Hollywood United Methodist Church.



### **TIOH Lunch Project**

Make and serve lunch for at-risk youth at My Friend's Place. It's the perfect opportunity to volunteer and make a difference one meal at a time. Sponsored by the Women of TIOH (WoTIOH)



### Phone Action Wednesdays





Join our monthly meet-up to postcard, write letters, and make calls about issues ranging from criminal justice reform to climate change. Parents are encouraged to bring children of all ages and training is continually available.

Start making a difference TODAY! More opportunities to get involved, visit my.tioh.org/socialiustice





Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Learn about anti-semitism and how we can respond to its current resurgence as Jews and allies to all communities impacted by hate.

Moderated by Rabbi Mari Chernow

For more information my.tioh.org/Symposium2021

# Chesed Committee

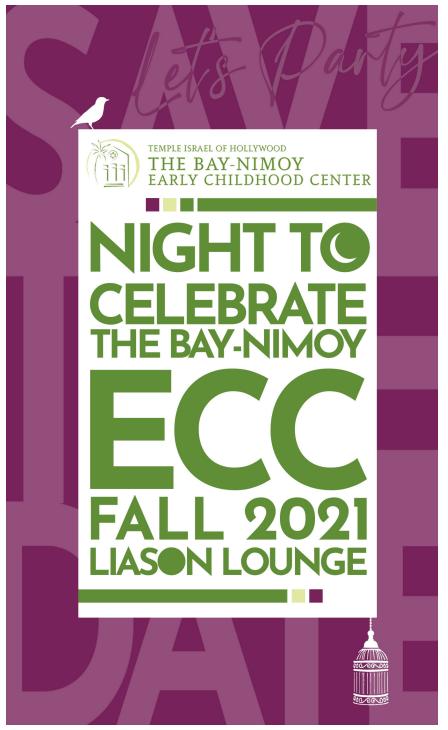
When our community is faced with life's joys and challenges, we deliver loving kindness, care, comfort, assistance, and compassion. Join the Chesed Committee today and be there for the congregation!

Contact TIOH's Director of Community Engagement Leia Grossman at larossman@tioh.org











The goal of YACHAD is to connect with peers and practice Jewish ritual and hospitality. Join today and enjoy what this community and the temple as a whole has to offer! Contact Rabbi Calvin Dox-DaCosta at Rcalvin@tioh.org for more information.

Yachad (together) provides a welcoming space for young professionals looking to explore Jewish identity and find community. We gather monthly for Friday night Shabbat dinners, text study, book clubs, and more. It is a time for personal reflection, spiritual growth, and deep relationship building.

TIOH 20S & 30S YACHAD



### We want to build a Village!



Interest in Temple "Villages" is growing and TIOH wants to explore this new community format for members 50+. The "Village" is about supporting each other and our interests. TIOH wants to foster this new paradigm around social and intellectual growth, so join in the planning! Intrigued? For more information, visit my.tioh.org/tiohvillage.





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> "As my ancestors planted for me, so too I plant for my children and grandchildren."

> > - Ta'anit 23a

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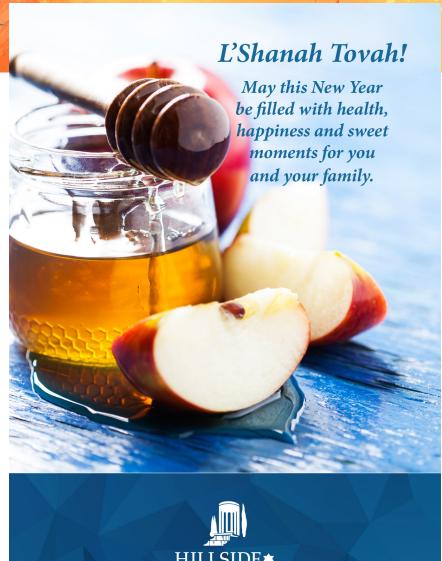
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