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SCoJeC’s Mid-November E-News

Events Calendar

Chanukah

We are working with the Matana Club and other communal organisations to arrange a country-wide week-long celebration.

Click [here](#) for full details of candle-lighting and other events around Scotland.

Look out for more information on our What's On page: [www.scojec.org/whats-on.html](http://www.scojec.org/whats-on.html)

Jewish Embroidery: From Vestments to Bridal Gowns with the Scottish Jewish Textile and Craft Group

Tuesday 16th November 2021 at 8pm

For more information and the zoom link please email: [elainelevy@hotmail.com](mailto:elainelevy@hotmail.com)

The Scottish Council of Jewish Communities (SCoJeC) is
Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation no. SC029438
Cookbook Launch at Aberdeen Synagogue and Jewish Community Centre

Wednesday 17th November at 7.30pm

Join the ASJCC on zoom with Amanda Bowman, Vice President of the Board of Deputies, Ethel Hofman, Author of Mackerel at Midnight, and Nava Levy of Nava’s Kitchen as they tell the story behind the fundraising cookbook to save the Aberdeen Synagogue.

To book please email: vicepresident.asjcc@gmail.com

Download your copy of the book:
https://payhip.com/b/Lhbgu

Suggested donation: £12.99
https://www.asjcc.co.uk/donations

Conversation with Dalia Fleming, Executive Director of KeshetUK at Edinburgh Hebrew Congregation

Thursday 25 November at 7.30pm

KeshetUK is the only education and training charity working in the UK to ensure a world where no one is forced to choose between their LGBT+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender) and Jewish identity. Dalia will talk about how KeshetUK works across the community (Orthodox, Reform, Liberal, Masorti and Cross Communal organisations) and will be taking questions from our chair and the audience.

Tickets are £10 for in-person or £5 online

You can book here:
https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BGZD
Jewish Tales From Scotland with the Winter Tales Book Festival

Sunday 5th December
12.15pm – 1.15pm

Join Hannah Holtschneider, Phil Alexander, Ellen Galford, Elisa Koch for an hour of stories and music, bringing aspects of Scottish Jewish history to life. You will be taken on a tour of the ‘Jewish quarter’ of Edinburgh and of the Gorbals in Glasgow, listening to the sounds of the streets, the tenements and synagogue music of the early twentieth century. Original poetry by Ellen Galford locates the Golem’s haunting resonances in the Scottish Landscape.

You can book for FREE here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/jewish-tales-from-scotland-tickets-198831399067

International Jewish Woman of the Year

The Edinburgh Jewish Cultural Centre is now accepting nominations for the Dr Gertrude Herzfeld International Jewish Woman of the Year Award! The award is presented biennially to a living outstanding Jewish woman from any country, who has excelled in surgery, medicine, public health, or the sciences and whose life and career emulates the values, hard work and success of Dr Gertrude Herzfeld.

Nominations close 30th November 2021

To find out more or nominate, please click here: https://www.jcc.scot/projects-8
Jewish Scotland Connected

**Hands-on training courses**

Jewish Scotland Connected is a SCoJeC project working with partner organisations throughout the Scottish Jewish community, to equip them with the skills and hardware to stage hybrid events – where everyone can participate fully whether they attend an event in person or online. Building on the experience of hosting Zoom events, Jewish Scotland Connected (JSC) is creating a group of volunteers that can work with their own and other organisations.

Could you be a JSC volunteer? We are offering comprehensive training in the use of the technology, as well as advice, support and guidance on how to make the best of the events themselves.

It’s a great way of learning new skills and being able to contribute in a meaningful way to making Jewish events widely accessible. No previous experience is needed, but you will get the most out of the training if you are fairly confident using Zoom and a laptop computer, and in particular if you have an interest in photography.

The first hands-on training courses are planned as follows:

- Sunday 21st November in Edinburgh (13:00 – 18:00)
- Sunday 28th November in Glasgow (10:00 – 15:00)

Places are limited so please book now for FREE (travel expenses can be covered upon request):  
[trybooking.co.uk/BHXQ](trybooking.co.uk/BHXQ)

We also have a separate programme of short training courses on Zoom, covering hybrid events and more general Zoom hosting skills.

For more information about the project and the training go to the JSC website at [www.scojec.org/jsc.html](www.scojec.org/jsc.html) where you will also find our contact details.
Volunteering Opportunities

The Scottish Jewish Heritage Centre is looking for volunteer facilitators for its School Visit Service

The service gives pupils and teachers first-hand experience of Jewish religious and cultural life and offers the opportunity to experience a Scottish perspective of the Holocaust era. It also gives insights into the immigrant experiences of the Jewish community in Scotland. Full information on what is offered to schools is available here: https://sjhc.org.uk/school-visit/

Facilitators will supervise and guide pupils to explore:

- The Synagogue foyer and prayer hall, discussing the history of the building and the congregants, as well as Judaism and Jewish life
- The kosher kitchen, Jewish dietary laws and how they affect daily life for Jewish people
- ‘A New Life in Scotland display’, about the history of Jewish Community in Scotland
- Learning kits in the Holocaust-era Study Centre, which have been produced using original material from the Scottish Jewish Archives Centre (SJAC), in consultation with Holocaust education curricula specialists and include facsimile handling material
- The Succah display, ‘Scotland, A Sanctuary’ and the digital resources including a catalogue with around 2,700 key images from SJAC’s Holocaust-era collections

Facilitators will work in pairs to welcome pupils during 2 hour sessions during school hours. No evening or weekend work will be required. School groups will have pre-booked their visit. Training is provided and all successful applicants will undergo a Disclosure Scotland check at no cost to themselves.

Skills and experience:
Keenness to learn is the most desirable quality but a knowledge of Scottish Jewish History, Jewish religious practices and the history of the Holocaust period, would be advantageous. Experience in guiding would be welcome but is not essential as full training will be given. Good communication skills and the ability to interact in a pleasant and knowledgeable way with young people is essential. A working knowledge of basic IT skills is desirable. Reliability and good timekeeping essential. Ability to work well in a team and work with a variety of people.

To apply, email SJHC Manager Kerry Patterson with your contact details. Include some information about yourself, what experience you have and why you would like to volunteer: info@sjhc.org.uk

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