

SAVE THE DATE

EDWIN L. BIERMAN SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE PROF. VANESSA L. OCHS MAY 14-15, 2010



SEEKING: INVENTOR OF NEW JEWISH RITUALS

Friday, May 14. 8:30-9:30pm –A Program for Adults.
Childcare available by pre-registration.

In the last 30 years, new Jewish rituals have been invented and have taken root. What new rituals might be called for in the coming years, and what skills and wisdom does a ritual inventor need to have?

We invite you to attend Kabbalat Shabbat Service at 6:00pm and Dinner at 7:00pm.
Dinner reservations & prepayment required by May 10th.
Members: \$12.50/person. Non-members: \$25/person.
Children 3 years and under free.

D'VAR TORAH

Saturday, May 15 at Shabbat Morning services. Services begin at 9:30am. D'var Torah at approximately 11:15am. Children's activities are available during services. Services are followed by kosher Kiddush Lunch at 12:15pm.

FUNKY TALMUD

Saturday, May 15. 1:15-2:15pm.

Sorcery...demons...odd healing practices ...food and fashion fetishes...blessings for bad news... We'll open up some of the most curious, infuriating, and dazzling passages of Talmud, in English, by reading them in fresh ways that will make them meaningful to us.

DREAMS! DREAMS! DREAMS!

Saturday, May 15. 8:00pm.

What does Jewish tradition have to say about dreaming, dream interpretation, and rituals for incubating dreams and chasing away nightmares?

After learning with Vanessa Ochs, we'll end Shabbat with Dessert & Havdallah, then transform our space into a jazz club. Seattle musical ensemble, Sasson, will perform original music from biblical texts about dreams, written just for the occasion.

Space is limited. RSVP by May 10th.

Book signing opportunity on Saturday Night.
Bring your own books or pre-order by sending in completed registration form below.

All events take place at Congregation Beth Shalom. Lectures are open to the public and free of charge.

*Prof. Vanessa L. Ochs is the author of **Inventing Jewish Ritual**, winner of a 2007 National Jewish Book Award. Her other books include **Sarah Laughed**, **The Jewish Dream Book** (with Elizabeth Ochs), **The Book of Jewish Sacred Practices** (edited with Irwin Kula), **Words on Fire: One Woman's Journey into the Sacred**, and **Safe and Sound: Protecting Your Child In An Unpredictable World**. Dr. Ochs is an associate professor in the Department of Religious Studies and Jewish Studies Program at the University of Virginia where her courses include **Judaism and Medicine**, **Jewish Feminism**, and **Studies in Jewish Ritual**. She was awarded a **Creative Writing Fellowship** by the National Endowment for the Arts.*

Scholar in Residence

Please return this form to Congregation Beth Shalom, 6800 35th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98115

I am a Member Non-Member

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Friday Dinner:
\$12.50/member
\$25/non-member
3 and under: free

Number of Adults and Children over 3 _____

Number of Children 3 and under _____

Dinner RSVP & prepayment deadline: May 10.

Childcare (no charge)

I need childcare on Friday night for _____ children.

Saturday Night

Program, Dessert & Music: (no charge)

Number attending: _____

Pre-Order Books

The Jewish Dream Book, \$16, No. copies _____
Inventing Jewish Rituals, \$22, No. copies _____

*Add \$2 per book for delivery to your home. Otherwise books will be available at the synagogue for pickup.
Deadline to order books: April 26.*

Method of Payment:

check credit card (a 2% processing fee will be added to credit card charges)

Amount \$ _____

credit card # _____

verification # _____

ex. date _____