

Tremont Street ISRAELI Arts & CULTURE Series

Israel at 60: Arts, Culture, and Society

A Spring 2008 Multimedia Lecture Series with featured speaker Heather Porter

7:30–9pm • Temple Beth Shalom of Cambridge • 8 Tremont St., Cambridge

ADMISSION

Per session:

At-door \$9 • Advance RSVP \$7

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Join us for a dynamic 5-part educational multimedia lecture series exploring the amazing, inspiring, vibrant, multi-dimensional melting pot that is the modern State of Israel. Though only 60 years young, Israel is on the cutting edge of artistic creation. Experience the people and society through an exploration of the arts and popular culture. Come share in the excitement of Israel at 60.

Wednesday, January 16 • 7:30–9:00 pm

MUSIC

The Israeli music scene reflects the many faces of Israeli society. We will explore many genres of music in Israel today, which find their roots in Israel's many immigrant groups from South America, Ethiopia, Eastern Europe, North Africa, and many other parts of the world.

Thursday, February 21 • 7:30–9:00 pm

DANCE

Experience dance companies old, and new—ethnic, modern, classical, pop, Rikudei Am. Classical and Modern dance in Israel have evolved from the early days of Inbal, Bat Sheva, the Israel Ballet, to traditional Israeli dance, which presents with intricate choreography. Israeli dance and dance companies are presenting all over the world from China, to Eastern Europe, to South America, and beyond.

Wednesday, March 12 • 7:30–9:00 pm

FILM

Israeli Film has always reflected the colorful ethnic diversity of the country, and events of the times. Israeli films have been garnering international recognition for documentary, drama, comedy, and musical offerings. We will explore the history and evolution of the many genres of film in Israel.

Thursday, April 10 • 7:30–9:00 pm

ART, ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN

View Israeli society through the visual arts—from Bauhaus buildings to Bedouin art—from ancient to modern. The design, art, and architecture of Israel reveal a vitality and diversity of artistic directions that reflect the many faces of the modern State.

Thursday, May 1 • 7:30–9:00 pm

POP CULTURE

(NOTE NEW DATE) Through an exploration of a variety of bumper stickers, political cartoons, advertisements, posters, and slang expressions, you will get an inside look at Israeli society.

Speaker: Heather Porter

A member of the Israeli Consulate Speaker's Bureau since 2001, **Heather Porter** lectures regularly on all aspects of Israeli culture, the Israeli immigrant artist experience, and women in the arts in Israel. After moving to Israel in 1994, in addition to running her own small music production and arts management organization in Tel Aviv, she served for over 2 years as Assistant Principal Violist of the Israeli Camerata Jerusalem. She has performed with the Israel Philharmonic and Jerusalem Symphony, and as a soloist and in chamber music ensembles throughout Israel, the US, and Europe. She has been involved in artistic collaborations with visual artists, dancers, choreographers, filmmakers, and composers. She is well versed in the many facets and genres of the Israeli arts scene.

Registration & directions: www.tremontstreetshul.org