

Syllabus for the Contemporary Jewish Writing Class at Congregation Beth Ami in April-May 2015

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April 23: 2nd class - American Jewish History

- Discussing “**Holy Thief**”
- Sources for new books and reviews: **Publishers**
- Studying American Jewish History **Timeline**
- Sharing related **books brought by the class**
- Discussing “**‘At Home in Exile’ and ‘The Pious Ones’**”
- Introducing the American Jewish History **bibliography**
- Homework for 3rd class:
 - Read “**Interview with Yehudah Mirsky about Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook**” by *Alan Brill*
<https://kavvanah.wordpress.com/2014/05/14/interview-with-yehudah-mirsky-about-rabbi-abraham-isaac-kook/>
 - Bring/recommend a recent book related to World Jewish History
- Recommended readings, books and videos:
 - **American Jewish History: A Primary Source Reader**; edited by Gary Phillip Zola, Marc Dollinger (Brandeis, 2014)
 - **American Jews and America's Game: Voices of a Growing Legacy in Baseball** by *Larry Ruttman and Dr. Martin Abramowitz* (University of Nebraska Press, 2013)
 - **The American Jewish Story through Cinema** by *Eric A. Goldman*, (University of Texas Press, 2013)
 - **The Jewish Americans: They Came to Stay & A World of Their Own**
Originally broadcast on PBS, The Jewish-Americans covers 350 years in the lives of Jews who have struggled to maintain their religious identity and still be fully accepted as Americans.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M52S1A6k4c0&list=PLEaSB81aNjlwwA4RU0p088ZW7m_sA_ZbJ