

**The New Mexico Jewish Historical Society  
presents**

***Sephardic History from Spain to New Mexico***

**for its 26th Fall Conference**

**October 12 & 13, 2013  
Sagebrush Inn  
Taos, New Mexico**



**Conference Highlights**

What does Sephardic history have to do with New Mexico? Quite a bit, as it turns out. At this conference speakers will explore the riches of Jewish Spain before 1492, its history, music, art, and philosophy, and talk about several prominent Jewish families.

After the expulsion over one hundred thousand Jews left Spain for Italy, Turkey, and North Africa. Some eventually made the trek north along the Rio Grande into New Mexico and southern Colorado, which is the focus of the second part of the program.

The conference begins at 12 noon on Saturday with lunch and concludes at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Saturday sessions end at 5. Book sale, silent auction at 5, cocktail hour at 6, dinner at 7. Sunday sessions go from 9 to 1. In addition to talks on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning attendees will have the opportunity to view the film “The Last Sephardic Jew” after dinner Saturday evening. The registration fee includes all talks, the film, two meals, a cocktail hour, book sale, and silent auction. Qualify for member rates by becoming a member of NMJHS (see Membership page on the NMJHS website).

**Saturday Afternoon Program (noon to 5 p.m.)**

- “Sephardic Music in the Diaspora,” opening talk by Keynote Speaker Steve Ovitsky
- “Maimonides and Nahmanides and the Sephardic Tradition,” Rabbi Jack Schlacter
- “Jews in Spain,” Roger Martinez
- “Jewish Illuminated Manuscripts in Spain,” Gloria Abella Ballen
- “The Mendez/Nasi Family Dynasty,” Sandra Toro

## **Saturday Evening Activities (5 to 9 p.m.)**

- Book sale and silent auction
- Cocktail hour
- Dinner
- Film “The Last Sephardic Jew”

## **Sunday Morning Program (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)**

- “The Sephardic Diaspora in the Americas,” Ron Duncan Hart
- “Sephardic Family History,” Michel Messeca
- “The Coca Family and the Gusdorfs: Crypto-Jewish and Ashkenazi Transition,”  
Mona Hernandez
- “The Gusdorfs: Pioneer Jews of Taos,” Naomi Sandweiss
- “Eleven Million Steps: Cohn Family Journey to Taos,” Yvette Cohn Stoor

## **Registration Desk**

The registration desk will be open Saturday morning from 10 to 12 for pre-paid attendees to pick up conference packets with detailed program, nametag, meal and cocktail tickets. Your registration fee covers all conference sessions, Saturday lunch, cocktail hour, and dinner, including beverages during conference breaks. Walk-ins: registration at the door is \$50 per day, meals not included.

Dr. Yehuda Patt will lead Saturday morning services at the Sagebrush Inn at 9:30.

## **Hotel Reservations**

The Sagebrush Inn & Conference Center is located on NM 68 at 1508 Paseo del Pueblo Sur in the southern part of Taos. If you are driving from Santa Fe, this is one-half mile north of Ranchos de Taos on your left. Make your own room reservation before September 4 to qualify for the conference rates, starting at \$79 per night for standard rooms, plus tax, single or double occupancy. Fireplace rooms and suites are also available at group rates. A full complimentary breakfast is included with your room. Reservations: 1-800-428-3626. Be sure to mention that you are attending the New Mexico Jewish Historical Society conference. For more information about the hotel and accommodations go to: [www.sagebrushinn.com](http://www.sagebrushinn.com).

### **Questions? Contact NMJHS at:**

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# NMJHS 26th Fall Conference Registration Form

Registration deadline September 30

Print out this page, fill in the information, and return it with your payment to:

NMJHS Conference, Attn: Ruth Carter  
 5520 Wyoming Blvd. NE, Suite B  
 Albuquerque, NM 87109

**Early registration (postmarked by September 9)**

NMJHS member	\$ 85 x _____ =	\$ _____
Nonmember	\$105 x _____ =	\$ _____
Meals only*	\$ 40 x _____ =	\$ _____

**Registration (postmarked by September 30)**

NMJHS member	\$105 x _____ =	\$ _____
Nonmember	\$125 x _____ =	\$ _____
Meals only*	\$ 50 x _____ =	\$ _____

**Speakers**

Full conference	\$ 40 x _____ =	\$ _____
Saturday lunch only	\$ 0 x _____ =	\$ _____
Sunday only	\$ 0 x _____ =	\$ _____

<b>Registration subtotal</b>	\$ _____
NMJHS membership fee**	\$ _____
Additional contribution***	\$ _____
Total amount of payment	\$ _____
Total number of attendees	_____

\*For companions not attending the conference.  
 \*\*Nonmembers may register at the membership rate by becoming members. Please fill out the membership form on this website and include with conference registration form.  
 \*\*\*Your additional tax-deductible contribution will help offset NMJHS conference costs.

Registrant name(s) as they will appear on nametag(s)

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT**

\_\_\_ Check (*preferred, payable to NMJHS*)  
 \_\_\_ Visa      \_\_\_ Mastercard      Card Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Three-digit security code on back of card \_\_\_\_\_

**DINNER PREFERENCE** (*indicate number of meals and then registrant names for each entree*)

\_\_\_ Baked salmon \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ Baked chicken \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_ Stuffed portobello mushroom \_\_\_\_\_