



Beth Ami

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Beth Ami is a welcoming community where we connect to Jewish past, celebrate Jewish present and link to Jewish future through a humanistic philosophy.

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Event Schedule

Sunday 6/3 – Installation Ceremony for Madrichot Sheila Malcolm and Michelle Davis

Sunday 6/10 – Boulder Jewish Festival 2012 (11am - 5 pm at the Courthouse Lawn and Pearl Street Mall – Beth Ami will have a booth!)

Sunday 6/24 – Beth Ami Board Meeting 10 am

Friday 6/29– 5pm Potluck at Malcolm home, then Colorado Music Festival's performance of "Brundibar" (7:30 pm at Chautauqua Auditorium) – RSVP to Sheila by June 3

Upcoming Events

July

Saturday 7/7 – Alexi Budoff's Bat Mitzvah (10 am)

Sunday 7/22 – 11am Beth Ami Annual Community Meeting in Denver (flier to follow)

August

Sunday 8/5 – 10am Family Hike (Location TBD)



Celebrations

Birthdays

6/2 – Sasha Gorokhovskiy

6/4 – Steve Langer

6/19 – Jon Budoff

6/21 – Roz Budoff

Anniversaries

6/5 – Julia Genyuk and Sasha Gorokhovskiy

6/21 – Suzanne and Jeremy Neufeld

Condolences

To the Griss family on the passing of Barb's brother Stuart

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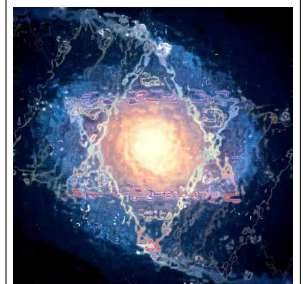
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"Brundibar"

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Friday, June 29: At Chautauqua Auditorium in Boulder

Czech composer Hans Krasa's children's opera features Ela Weissberger, a Holocaust survivor who, as a young child, performed the role of The Cat while imprisoned in the Terezin concentration camp.

In collaboration with University of Colorado at Boulder, opera students will perform the larger roles, with direction and staging by Opera Program Director Leigh Holman.

Brundibar performances are Thursday, June 28th and Friday, June 29th at 7:30pm at Chautauqua Auditorium.

PLUS: FREE MUSIC FESTIVAL TICKETS FOR JEWISH STUDENTS!

Additional “Brundibar” Events

Thursday, June 7th at 7pm – Free at Dairy Center for the Arts, Boulder – “Brundibar” (the Bumblebee) – What does it mean to you and me?”

Boulder Renewal Rabbi Tirzah Firestone will guide us through a conversation about this unique production. Guests will get an insider’s view into CMF’s upcoming production of *Brundibar*, with University of Colorado Opera Program Director Leigh Holman. Hear musical selections, learn about the historical context, and see visuals of past productions.

Friday, June 29th at 12am – FREE at Congregation HarHashem, Boulder – Lunch and Learn with Ela Weissberger and artist Marlyn Cheshes

Sculptor and photographer Marlyn Cheshes, whose work has been shown at the Jewish Museum of Belgium, the Florida Holocaust Museum, the Mizel Museum of Art and many others, joins her good friend Ela Weissberger for a discussion of “Art and the Holocaust.”

Friday, June 29th at 2pm – FREE at Canyon Theater at Boulder Public Library – The Cat with the Yellow Star: A Conversation with Ela Weissberger

Young people ages 10 and up are invited to join Holocaust survivor Ela Weissberger and hear her remarkable story. Ms. Weissberger will read excerpts from her children’s book, *The Cat with the Yellow Star*, and share her life experiences.

Society for Humanistic Judaism Elects Andrea Friedlander President

For full article visit www.shj.org

Andrea Friedlander, a life-long resident of Chicago’s North Shore, was installed on April 19 as the President of the Society for Humanistic Judaism (SHJ). A graduate of Harvard and the University of Chicago Law School, Friedlander previously served as Steering Committee Chair of Kol Hadash Humanistic Congregation in the Chicago area, of which she is a founding member.

"The wonderful thing about Kol Hadash and Humanistic Judaism," says Friedlander, "is that the ideology makes sense in the modern world and the

liturgy is totally relevant to our everyday lives. We say what we believe and we believe what we say."

Friedlander accepted an invitation to join the SHJ Board of Directors four years ago. "I was intrigued by the opportunity to 'take it to the next level' and help other Humanistic congregations around the country develop and grow." She says that her "main goal as President of the Society is to increase the visibility of Humanistic Judaism around the country to let people know that Humanistic Judaism is a real and vibrant alternative."

Sephardic Flavors at the Boulder J Fest

Taken from www.boulderjewishfestival.org

This year’s Boulder Jewish Festival explores Sephardic culture. Hungry visitors to this year’s Boulder Jewish Festival on Pearl Street will have more ethnic-food choices than ever, as we welcome new vendor Tangier Moroccan Cuisine.

In addition to the Sephardic flavorings, you’ll also find Ashkenazic traditional foods like kosher blintzes and hot dogs (not the same vendor!) and pastrami sandwiches. Israeli falafel, gyros and stuffed grape leaves, and even kosher smoothies too. There will even be Iced Tea for National Iced Tea Day!

We are working with our local foodies for a zero-waste event!



Calling All Facebookers!

Can you help update the Beth Ami Facebook page?

Like to use Facebook? Here's the chance to use your skills and help Beth Ami at the same time. We are looking for several people to help update the page as Administrators and make the page more useful.

If you are interested, please contact Barry Levene at blevene@ecentral.com, text or call at 303-475-1065

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Hi, all. I'm Rachel Hirsch. I was a student at the Beth Ami JCS until I had my Bat Mitzvah in 2008.

I will be the editor of the Beth Ami newsletter for this summer, and hopefully next year, depending on how it affects school (I graduate next year).

I welcome any input you have, so feel free to email me any articles or information that you want to see in next month's newsletter.

-Rachel