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A History of East European Jews 2002

presents a history of east european jewry from its beginnings to the period after the holocaust it gives an overview of the demographic political socio economic religious and cultural conditions of jewish communities in poland russia bohemia and moravia interesting themes include the story of early settlers the golden age the influence of the kabbalah and hasidism vivid portraits of jewish family life and religious customs make the book enjoyable to read

American Jewish History 1998

during the era of jewish mass migration from eastern europe from the 1880s until the first world war switzerland played an important role in absorbing immigrants though located at the periphery of the main migration routes the federal state with its liberal policies on foreigners became a key destination for students revolutionaries and travelers the micro studies and more general papers of this volume approach the topic in its transnational local linguistic gendered and ideological dimensions and from various disciplinary angles they interweave and facilitate a novel take on the transitory spatial history and the lebenswelt of east european jews in switzerland topics of this volume range among others from the location of switzerland on the map of east european jewish politics bundism socialism yiddishism zionism conflicting performative cultures of jewish and russian revolutionaries the swiss lehr and wanderjahre of the jewish public intellectual meir wiener the impact of geneva on the zionist hebrew writer ben ami the russian jewish students colonies in berne and zurich and questions of individuals integration and acculturation

Unwelcome Strangers 1991

brothers and strangers traces the history of german jewish attitudes policies and stereotypical images toward eastern european jews demonstrating the ways in which the historic rupture between eastern and western jewry developed as a function of modernism and its imperatives by the 1880s most german jews had inherited and used such negative images to symbolize rejection of their own ghetto past and to emphasize the contrast between modern enlightened jewry and its half asian counterpart moreover stereotypes of the ghetto and the eastern jew figured prominently in the growth and disposition of german anti semitism not everyone shared these negative preconceptions however and over the years a competing post liberal image emerged of the ostjude as cultural hero brothers and strangers examines the genesis development and consequences of these changing forces in their often complex cultural political and intellectual contexts

East European Jews in Switzerland 2013-10-14

in the nineteenth century the largest jewish community the modern world had known lived in hundreds of towns and shtetls in the territory between the prussian border of poland and the ukrainian coast of the black sea the period had started with the partition of poland and the absorption of its territories into the russian and austro hungarian empires it would end with the first large scale outbreaks of anti semitic violence and the imposition in russia of strong anti semitic legislation in the years between a traditional society accustomed to an autonomous way of life would be transformed into one much more open to its surrounding cultures yet much more confident of its own nationalist identity in the jews of eastern europe israel bartal traces this transformation and finds in it the roots of jewish modernity

Brothers and Strangers 1982-10-15

who were the early ancestors of east european ashkenazic jews how were they related to the biblical israelites judeans and when and from where did they arrive in eastern europe this book intends to answer these questions but first it discusses some of the important questions that are neglected in the literature but important in the author s work such as the ethnic composition of canaan palestine and the switch from a patrilineal system israelites judeans to a matrilineal one including converts jews the author also discusses more present day topics such as whether it is possible to determine if someone is ashkenazic jewish and a descendant of the biblical israelites based on a genetic profile and whether ashkenazic jews are more

jewish than indian or ethiopian jews jits van straten argues that the answer is negative in both cases based on the official definition of who is a jew finally it is shown why east european ashkenazis speak yiddish without originating from a german speaking region

The Jews of Eastern Europe, 1772-1881 2011-06-07

originally published in 1920 arnold zweig s the face of east european jewry provides a window into east european jewish life this is the first translation of the work into english with the original illustrations by hermann struck

Ashkenazic Jews and the Biblical Israelites 2021-01-18

for most of the last four centuries the broad expanse of territory between the baltic and the black seas known since the enlightenment as eastern europe has been home to the world s largest jewish population the jews of poland russia lithuania galicia romania and ukraine were prodigious generators of modern jewish culture their volatile blend of religious traditionalism and precocious quests for collective self emancipation lies at the heart of culture front this volume brings together contributions by both historians and literary scholars to take readers on a journey across the cultural history of east european jewry from the mid seventeenth century to the present the articles collected here explore how jews and their slavic neighbors produced and consumed imaginative representations of jewish life in chronicles plays novels poetry memoirs museums and more the book puts culture at the forefront of analysis treating verbal artistry itself as a kind of frontier through which jews and slavs imagined experienced and negotiated with themselves and each other the four sections investigate the distinctive themes of that frontier violence and civility popular culture politics and aesthetics and memory the result is a fresh exploration of ideas and movements that helped change the landscape of modern jewish history

The Face of East European Jewry 2004-05-10

for many centuries jews and germans were economically and culturally of significant importance in east central and eastern europe since both groups had a very similar background of origin central europe and spoke languages which are related to each other german yiddish the question arises to what extent jews and germans in eastern europe share common historical developments and experiences this volume aims to explore not only entanglements and interdependences of jews and germans in eastern europe from the late middle ages to the 20th century but also comparative aspects of these two communities moreover the perception of jews as germans in this region is also discussed in detail

Culture Front 2014-06-09

the overwhelming majority of jews who laid the foundations of the israeli state during the first half of the twentieth century came from the polish lands and the russian empire this is a fact widely known yet its implications for the history of israel and the middle east and reciprocally for the history of what was once the demographic heartland of the jewish diaspora remain surprisingly ill understood through fine grained analyses of people texts movements and worldviews in motion the scholars assembled in from europe s east to the middle east hailing from europe israel japan and the united states rediscover a single transnational jewish history of surprising connections ideological cacophony and entangled fates against the view of israel as an outpost of the west whether as a beacon of democracy or a creation of colonialism this volume reveals how profoundly zionism and israel were shaped by the assumptions of polish nationalism russian radicalism and soviet communism the unique ethos of the east european intelligentsia and the political legacies of civil and national strife in the east european shatter zone against the view that zionism effected a complete break from the diaspora that had birthed it the book sheds new light on the east european sources of phenomena as diverse as zionist military culture kibbutz socialism and ultra orthodox education for girls finally it reshapes our understanding of east european jewish life from the tsarist empire to independent poland to the late soviet union looking past siloed histories of both zionism and its opponents in eastern europe the authors reconstruct zionism s transnational character charting unexpected continuities across east european and israeli jewish life and revealing how jews in eastern europe grew ever more entangled with the changing realities of jewish society in palestine

Jews and Germans in Eastern Europe 2018-09-24

presents a social economic and cultural history of the shtetl arguing that in its heyday from the 1790s to the 1840s the shtetl was a thriving jewish community

From Europe's East to the Middle East 2022-01-04

this collection of essays breaks new ground in its interdisciplinary study of the way jews redefined their identity in the changing societies of modern eastern europe sensitively treating the drama of east european jewry from cultural and political vantage points prominent scholars provide fresh insights into the complex issues facing the jewish world the multifaceted essays in this volume reflect the influence of the pioneering work of the historian ezra mendelsohn

The Attitude of American Jewry Towards East European Jewish Immigration, 1881-1914 1980

this social history describes the problems encountered by east european jews following their emigration to germany at the end of the 19th century it examines their treatment at the hands of both german jews and gentiles and explores the effects and consequences of such a hostile reception

The Golden Age Shtetl 2014

east european jews in two worlds studies from the yivo annual includes articles by some of the most prominent figures in contemporary jewish scholarship this collection from yivo annual searlier issues provides a variety of perspectives historical sociological and literary on modern jewish life

Insiders and Outsiders 2010-01-28

this collection examines various aspects of jewish migration within from and to eastern europe between 1880 and the present it focuses on not only the wide variety of factors that often influenced the fateful decision to immigrate but also the personal experience of migration and the critical role of individuals in larger historical processes including contributions by historians and social scientists alongside first person memoirs the book analyses the historical experiences of jewish immigrants the impact of anti jewish violence and government policies on the history of jewish migration the reception of jewish immigrants in a variety of centres in america europe and israel and the personal dilemmas of those individuals who debated whether or not to embark on their own path of migration by looking at the phenomenon of jewish migration from a variety of disciplinary perspectives and in a range of different settings the contributions to this volume challenge and complicate many widely held assumptions regarding jewish migration in modern times in particular the chapters in this volume raise critical questions regarding the place of anti jewish violence in the history of jewish migration as well as the chronological periodization and general direction of jewish migration over the past 150 years the volume also compares the experiences of jewish immigrants to those of immigrants from other ethnic or religious communities as such this collection will be of much interest to not only scholars of jewish history but also researchers in the fields of migration studies as well as those using personal histories as historical sources this book was originally published as a special issue of east european jewish affairs

<u>Central and East European Jews at the Crossroads of Tradition</u> and Modernity 2006

where do east european jews about 90 percent of ashkenazi jewry descend from this book conveys new insights into a century old controversy jits van straten argues that there is no evidence for the most common assumption that german jews fled en masse to eastern europe to constitute east european jewry dealing with another much debated theory van straten points to the fact that there is no way to identify the descendants of the khazars in the ashkenazi population

using a multidisciplinary approach the author draws heavily on demographic findings which are vital to evaluate the conclusions of modern dna research finally it is suggested that east european jews are mainly descendants of ukrainians and belarussians update the article the origin of east european ashkenazim via a southern route aschkenas 2017 27 1 239 270 is intended to clarify the origin of east european jewry between roughly 300 bce and 1000 ce it is a supplement to this book

Unwelcome Strangers 2023

this volume is a compilation of articles written by renowned scholars and promising young researchers in which the jewish space is revealed as diverse forms of life and relations that developed in the rich context of urbanism social life leisure and economic activities and coexistence with the non jewish world having undergone various transformations the jewish space has preserved its authenticity and individuality in the book the jewish space is analysed in a wide chronological perspective from the viewpoint of literature history architecture and social relations this volume will be of interest to anyone interested in various forms of entertainment sports leisure cabaret parties living participation in social life reading and writing of jews in eastern european towns and shtetls in the 19th and early 20th century

East European Jews in Two Worlds 1990

neither a comprehensive history of eastern european jewish life or the shtetl petrovsky shtern professor of jewish studies at northwestern university focuses on three provinces volhynia podolia and kiev of the then russian empire during what he deems the golden age period 1790 1840 when the shtetl was the unique habitat of some 80 percent of east european jews

Brothers and Strangers 1984

the national book award winning new york times bestselling history of yiddish speaking immigrants on the lower east side and beyond in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries two million jewish immigrants poured into america leaving places like warsaw or the russian shtetls to pass through ellis island and start over in the new world this is a brilliant account of their stories the new york times though some moved on to philadelphia chicago and other points west many of these new citizens settled in new york city especially in manhattan s teeming tenements like others before and after they struggled to hold on to the culture and community they brought from their homelands all the while striving to escape oppression and find opportunity they faced poverty and crime but also experienced the excitement of freedom and previously unimaginable possibilities over the course of decades from the 1880s to the 1920s they were assimilated into the great melting pot as the yiddish language slowly gave way to english work was found in sweatshops children were sent to both religious and secular schools and for the lucky ones the american dream was attained if not in the first generation then by the second or third nominated for a national book critics circle award world of our fathers explores the many aspects of this time and place in history from the political to the cultural in this compelling american story irving howe addresses everything from the story of socialism the hardships of the ghetto and the tragic triangle shirtwaist factory fire that killed scores of garment workers to the borscht belt resorts of the catskills in colorful and dramatic detail both meticulously researched and lively it is a stirring evocation of the adventure and trauma of migration newsweek

<u>Jewish Migration in Modern Times</u> 2020-06-09

the postwar decades were not the golden era in which american jews easily partook in the religious revival liberal consensus and suburban middle class comfort rather it was a period marked by restlessness and insecurity born of the shock about the holocaust and of the unprecedented opportunities in american society american jews responded to loss and opportunity by obsessively engaging with the east european past the proliferation of religious texts on traditional spirituality translations of yiddish literature historical essays photographs and documents of shtetl culture theatrical and musical events culminating in the broadway musical fiddler on the roof illustrate the grip of this past on post 1945 american jews this study shows how american jews reimagined their east european past to make it usable for their american present by rewriting their east european history they created a repertoire

The Origin of Ashkenazi Jewry 2011-03-29

although overshadowed in historical memory by the holocaust the anti jewish pogroms of the late 19th and early 20th centuries were at the time unrivaled episodes of ethnic violence incorporating newly available primary sources this collection of groundbreaking essays by researchers from europe the united states and israel investigates the phenomenon of anti jewish violence the local and transnational responses to pogroms and instances where violence was averted focusing on the period from world war i through russia s early revolutionary years the studies include poland ukraine belorussia lithuania crimea and siberia

Jewish Space in Central and Eastern Europe 2009-03-26

this riveting story of the typhus and cholera epidemics that swept through new york city in 1892 has been updated with a new preface that tackles the covid 19 pandemic winner 2003 arthur j viseltear prize for outstanding book in the history of public health american public health association in quarantine howard markel traces the course of the typhus and cholera epidemics that swept through new york city in 1892 the story is told from the point of view of those involved the public health doctors who diagnosed and treated the victims the newspaper reporters who covered the stories the government officials who established and enforced policy and most importantly the immigrants themselves drawing on rarely cited stories from the yiddish american press immigrant diaries and letters and official accounts markel follows the immigrants on their journey from a squalid and precarious existence in russia s pale of settlement to their passage in steerage to new york s lower east side to the city s quarantine islands this updated edition features a new preface from the author that reflects on the themes of the book in light of the covid 19 pandemic at a time of renewed anti immigrant sentiment and newly emerging infectious diseases quarantine provides a historical context for considering some of the significant problems that face american society today

The Golden Age Shtetl 2015-08-25

examines the history and way of life of jews in eastern europe

World of Our Fathers 2017-10-31

while contributors to the emergence of modern jewish politics debate the ultimate success and failure of the various parties and the appropriateness of their tactics inevitably most examine such issues through the prism of the holocaust which effectively terminated east european jewish politics these essays also raise the issue of whether ethnic minorities are best served by highly ideological or highly pragmatic political movements in trying to defend their interests in nondemocratic multiethnic states book jacket

American Jewry and the Re-Invention of the East European Jewish Past 2017-11-20

viewing the jewish history of eastern europe through the prism of the lives of ordinary people produces findings that are sometimes surprising but always stimulating

<u>Strange Encounter</u> 1980

in the 1920s the new york yiddish newspaper the forward printed a weekly selection of photographs illustrating jewish life in eastern europe over the previous half century the aim of the pictures was to show immigrant jews the life that they had left behind from the archives of the forward abraham shulman a native of poland and a notable yiddish writer of short stories and essays selected hundreds of photographs to show what east european jewish life was actually like it was not all persecution poverty and heartbreak there were many light and joyous aspects pictures of children at play adults at a village party and family groups dressed in their sabbath best to pose for a formal photograph all demonstrate that from publisher description

Anti-Jewish Violence 2010-11-26

memoirs of jewish life in the east european shtetl often recall the hekdesh town poorhouse and its residents beggars madmen and madwomen disabled people and poor orphans stepchildren of the shtetl tells the story of these marginalized figures from the dawn of modernity to the eve of the holocaust combining archival research with analysis of literary cultural and religious texts natan m meir recovers the lived experience of jewish society s outcasts and reveals the central role that they came to play in the drama of modernization those on the margins were often made to bear the burden of the nation as a whole whether as scapegoats in moments of crisis or as symbols of degeneration ripe for transformation by reformers philanthropists and nationalists shining a light into the darkest corners of jewish society in eastern europe from the often squalid poorhouse of the shtetl to the slums and insane asylums of warsaw and odessa from the conscription of poor orphans during the reign of nicholas i to the cholera wedding a magical ritual in which an epidemic was halted by marrying outcasts to each other in the town cemetery stepchildren of the shtetl reconsiders the place of the lowliest members of an already stigmatized minority

Ouarantine! 2022-03-01

first published in a yiddish edition in 1958 profiles of a lost world is a source of information about eastern europe before world war ii as well as an touchstone for understanding a rich and complex cultural environment hirsz abramowicz 1881 1960 a prominent jewish educator writer and cultural activist knew that world and wrote about it and his writings provide an eyewitness account of jewish life during the first half of the twentieth century abramowicz was a witness to war revolution and major cultural transformations in the jewish world his essays written and originally published in yiddish between 1920 and 1955 document the local history of lithuanian jewry in rural and small town settings and in the city of vilna the jerusalem of lithuania which was a major center of east european jewish intellectual and cultural life they shed light on the daily life of jews and the flourishing of modern yiddish culture in eastern europe during the early 20th century and offer a personal perspective on the rise of jewish radical politics the collection incorporates local history of lithuanian jewry shtetl folklore observations on rural occupations jewish education and life under german occupation during world war i it also includes a series of profiles of leading social and intellectual jewish personalities of the author s day from traditional scholars to revolutionaries together the selections provide a blend of social and personal history and a window on a lost world

World of Our Fathers 2000

profiles in diversity explores the momentous transformation in europe from 1750 1870 by looking at the lives of european jews who experienced it

Brothers and Strangers 1982

this book is a comparative study of the eastern european jews who settled in new york and those who settled in london around the turn of the twentieth century

The Jews of Eastern Europe 1926

The East European Jewish Experience in America 1983

The Shtetl Book 1979

The Emergence of Modern Jewish Politics 2003-03-16

Families, Rabbis and Education 2010-02-01

The Old Country 1974

East European Jewry (since the Partitions of Poland, 1772-1795) 1960

Stepchildren of the Shtetl 2020-07-14

Profiles of a Lost World 1999

Profiles in Diversity 1998

East Side/East End 1994-06-30

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