



It is our pleasure to welcome the 2019 CCAR Convention to the historic Cincinnati campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. For those of you who were ordained here, this day will be a nostalgic visit to the campus you loved. Without doubt, you will be interested in seeing how things have changed. For those of you who were ordained in New York, Los Angeles, or Jerusalem, this may be your first visit to our campus. Either way, we warmly welcome all of you and hope that today's study and fellowship will be meaningful.

In addition to the Beit Midrash study sessions, we hope you will take the opportunity to visit the Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives, the Klau Library (located in The Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati Library Pavilion), the Cincinnati Skirball Museum (located in Mayerson Hall), the Barbash Family Vital Support Center (located in the Freiberg Gym Building), and the Herrman Learning Center (Classroom Building). In Herrman, where the renovated Scheuer Chapel and the Archaeology Center are located, you might be interested in the historic photographs on the first and second floors.

Student ambassadors and HUC-JIR staff will be available to assist you.



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President  
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**Rabbi Jonathan L. Hecht, Ph.D.**  
Dean  
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*Thanks to the students from the Rabbinical School and the Pines School of Graduate Studies for welcoming our guests today.*



12:00 PM

**Lunch**  
**Remarks by Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion President**  
**Andrew Rehfeld**  
**Class roll call**  
**Convention 2019 CCAR group photo**

2:00–3:15 PM  
 Torah Lishmah–Beit Midrash

**“They Will Think of Me for a Century”:  
 A Bicentennial Reflection on Isaac Mayer Wise**  
**Gary Zola,**  
**Lance Sussman**  
*Electronic Classroom/AJA*



**Making Choices by Limiting Choices:  
 On the Rambam as Curator of Tradition**  
**Jason Kalman**  
*Archaeology Center/HLC*

**Exploring Sources for Contemporary Liturgical Creativity within Jewish Tradition**  
**Richard Sarason**  
*Classroom 4/HLC*

**Freehof Institute: Reform Response Past and Future: The Halakhic Legacy of Solomon B. Freehof**  
**Joan Friedman, Walter Jacob, Mark Washofsky**  
 This session is the annual meeting of the Freehof Institute for Progressive Halakhah.  
*Seminar Room/AJA*

**From Surviving to Striving:  
 Jewish Education as a Lever for Social Change**  
**Miriam Heller Stern**  
*Pavilion/KLAU*



**Moral Injury and Soul Repair:  
 Understanding an Emerging Field for Rabbis**  
**Nancy Wiener, Kim Geringer**  
*Classroom 11/HLC*

**Moses Buttenweiser and the Manifestation of God through Moral Conduct**  
**Andrea Weiss**  
*2nd Floor Beit Midrash/KLAU*

**Jewish Renaissance:  
 Renewing Jewish Life in an Age of Uncertainty**  
**Joseph Skloot**  
*Seminar Room/AJA*

**The Beauty and The East:  
 Grappling with Israel in Sermons**  
**Talia Avnon-Benveniste**  
*Classroom 3/HLC*

**Oh! The Places You’ll Go! Preparing the Next Generation of Rabbinic Leadership**  
**Jonathan Hecht, Julie Schwartz, Jan Katzew**  
*Classroom 10/HLC*

3:15 PM

**Hafsakah**

3:45 PM  
 Torah Lishmah–Beit Midrash

**Rabbinic Portraits:  
 Pious, Pompous or Profane?**  
**Lance Sussman,**  
**Abby Schwartz**  
*Mayerson Hall Auditorium*



**Conversations That Matter:  
 Create Transformational Community with Transformational Conversations**  
**Sam Joseph**  
*Pavilion/KLAU*

**Moses Buttenweiser and the Manifestation of God through Moral Conduct**  
**Andrea Weiss**  
*2nd Floor Beit Midrash/KLAU*

**Recovering from Moral Injury:  
 Textual and Ritual Resources for Care**  
**Kim Geringer, Nancy Wiener**  
*Seminar Room/AJA*

**The Rabbi’s Social Role:  
 Activist or Translator-in-Chief?**  
**Mark Washofsky**  
*Teller Lounge/Sisterhood Dormitory*

**America’s Jewish Women: A New History**  
**Gary Zola, Pamela Nadell**  
*Electronic Classroom/AJA*

**Pay to Pray—  
 The Ultimate “Customized” Service**  
**Richard Sarason, Yvon Shore**  
*Classroom 3/HLC*

**Revelation and the Holy Task of Listening:  
 Strategies for Sacred and Successful Mentorship**  
**Miriam Heller Stern**  
*Classroom 11/HLC*

**Commandment, Conscience, Controversy:  
 The Reform Rabbi in the Corrupt Society**  
**Michael Meyer**  
*Seminar Room/AJA*

**Jewish Monologues in the 21st Century:  
 Reading Texts of Identity Seekers**  
**Talia Avnon-Benveniste**  
 This session will be held in Hebrew.  
*Classroom 2/HLC*



**Rabbinic Leadership, Gender, and Social Change: A Medieval Perspective**  
**Jennifer Grayson**  
*Classroom 10/HLC*

**Literary Generations of the Kibbutz and Egalitarian Tensions between Individuals and the Collective**  
**Ranen Omer-Sherman**  
 Sherry Levy-Reiner Memorial Lecture  
 Co-sponsored by the Department of English at the University of Cincinnati  
*Barrows-Loebelson Reading Room/AJA*

5:00 PM

**Board Buses to Hotel**