RAS DIVISION MEETING
AJL Conference 2022

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*RAS President*: Amalia S. Levi
*RAS Vice President*: Anna Levia

2022-2024
*RAS President*: Yermiyahu Ahron Taub
*RAS Vice President*: Eitan Kensky
Member engagement and outreach

**COVID and virtual events**
- Recognizing Haim Gottschalk and Anna Leviya for their assistance in organizing events.

**Events series**
- AJL Presents
- RAS Roundtables
- Books about Books
- DH Clinics
- Workshops
- International members roundtables (German, Russian)
Reference and Bibliography Awards Committee

2020-2022

Committee chair:
Anna Levia

Members:
Haim Gottschalk
Sharon Benamou
Diane Mizrachi
Daniel Kestenbaum

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2022 Judaica Reference and Bibliography Awards

REFERENCE AWARD

BIBLIOGRAPHY AWARD

BIBLIOGRAPHY HONORABLE MENTION

We thank Mr. Eric Chaim Kline for sponsoring the Bibliography Award and Dr. Greta Silver for sponsoring the Reference Award
Judaica Librarianship RAS Meeting Report 2022
Rachel Leket-Mor, JL Editor

https://ajlpublishing.org
Vol. 22 to publish by end of the year, co-edited with Nadav Sharon

Editorial Board: A big thank-you to Roger Kohn for his 18-year service

Vol. 23 Call for Papers
- Provenance of entire collections or specific items (continued from JL 22)
- Digital preservation of and access to Judaica collections
- Outreach in Jewish libraries
- Cataloging as a research process
- Judaica collections in Ukraine
- Jewish libraries and COVID

Co-editor position

Back issues upload collaborative project: volunteers to extract metadata from files

Scatter of the Literature column

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Cataloging Committee

Jasmin Shinohara

• Two annual virtual meetings
• Various topics discussed
  • RDA toolkit & Judaica community
  • Dicta automatic romanization
  • Defining ‘sacred work’ concept
  • LCSH subject headings
  • Judaica catalogers etc.

• Cataloging forum sessions

• Committee members
AJL at the 2021 AJS conference
Rachel Greenblatt (AJS Liaison)

Association of Jewish Libraries
The Leading Authority on Judaic Librarianship
JEWISHLIBRARIES.ORG

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Academic librarians link you to Judaic books and other resources at your institution and worldwide.

KNOW THE RESOURCES!
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KNOW THE LITERATURE!
AJL’s peer-reviewed journal Judaica Librarianship features book history and more.
Jewish Collection Directory
jewishlibraries/org/mapping-AJL

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General description: We collect materials on the Arizona Jewish experience as well as Arizona connections to the Holocaust. We have a strong focus on telling the stories of Arizona Holocaust survivors. Additionally, the society owns and operates the Cutler®Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center, a historic synagogue and church that now serves the community as a museum, cultural center, and charming event venue.

Language(s): English; some Hebrew, German, French, Spanish, Yiddish, Other

Library-related affiliations: N/A

Collection includes: Archives (collections of papers of an individual or an institution), ephemera, sound recordings (commercial or archival), and video recordings (commercial or archival)

Most special item in the collection: We have a unique collection of materials on Arizona Jewish History

In search of: Materials pertaining to Arizona Jewish history, especially in the Phoenix area.

Weeding information: N/A

Archival/Cataloging format: N/A

How much of your collection is cataloged/commissioned?
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What is being processed? N/A

Digitization projects: Some materials have been digitized and are available via Arizona Memory Project:
https://azmemory.azlibrary.gov/

Link to your catalog/holdings: N/A

Interested in hiring an intern to help? Yes

Last updated by YL, November 18, 2021
Upcoming virtual events

July 14, 2022
Yerusha: European Jewish Archives Portal
Gabor Kadar (Rothschild Foundation)

July 28, 2022
Cataloging Forum: Introduction to Hebrew Paleography
Dr. Judith Olszowy-Schlanger (Director of the Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, University of Oxford)

September 15, 2022
RAS Reference and Bibliography Awards presentation (online)
Looking forward

Increased outreach to engage international members

Advising small synagogue/congregational archives and libraries about their collections

Continuing professional development opportunities

Updating RAS resources page on new AJL website

Enriching Spanish materials on website
Discussion

What kinds of events you would like to see for next year?

What kinds of resources would you like AJL to offer?

Volunteer your skills and knowledge to make a difference
  Contact anyone in the AJL Board or RAS Division colleagues