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efore you know it, the holidays will be here! From Whaling to Whole Wheat Bread Making, see what you can learn at the Jewish Community Center. And don’t forget Passover Wine Tasting & Sale

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**WINTER SPRING KICK-OFF EVENT**

**Jenna Blum, The Lost Family**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

**7:00 PM**

**LOCATION: SPINGFIELD JCC**

**#001 Peter Bashkow, owner and head chef of a well-known Mediterranean restaurant, falls for Jane Bashkow, an up-and-coming model who’s twenty years his junior. Over the next two decades, it becomes clear that the fortunes of his past will overshadow his present.**

**INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Simon Sibelman is a Professor Emeritus of French at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh and the Professor Emeritus of French and Judaic, Holocaust and Peace Studies at Appalachian State University.**

**COST: #001 JCC members, $55 general public (Fee will be pro-rated for late registrants)**

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**Telling Your Story through Writing**

**SESSION I: MONDAYS, JANUARY 20 – MARCH 9 (8 Weeks)**

**10:00 – 11:30 A.M.**

**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

**SESSION II: MONDAYS, APRIL 6 – JUNE 1 (No class MAY 25)**

**10:00 – 11:30 A.M.**

**INSTRUCTOR: Bob Chopin, currently teaches writing at Western New England University, has a long professional career as a writer, and published 400+ columns in the Springfield Newspapers and Masslive.com. His columns are also featured on WCRW, the local NPR station.**

**COST: #002 JCC members, $55 general public (Fee will be pro-rated for late registrants)**

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**The Unmaking of America: Lincoln, Davis, & The Crisis of Antebellum America**

**WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 26 – APRIL 1 (6 Weeks)**

**10:00 – 11:30 A.M.**

**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS (D’Amour Museum of Fine Arts)**

**Instructor Dr. Sibelman will lecture about six of his favorite things providing an eclectic, personal reflection on a life of teaching, travel, and research. Subjects include: Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello; Ham House (Richmond, Surrey, England); Les Trés Riches Heures du Duc de Berry and why this prayer book tells us about the late Middle Ages; Prague, the heart of Central Europe; Krakow, the Royal City; and lastly, The Memorial de la Déportation and what these are a few of his favorite things providing an eclectic personal reflection on a life of teaching, travel, and research. Subjects include: Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello; Ham House (Richmond, Surrey, England); Les Trés Riches Heures du Duc de Berry and why this prayer book tells us about the late Middle Ages; Prague, the heart of Central Europe; Krakow, the Royal City; and lastly, The Memorial de la Déportation and what they reveal about France’s relationship with World War II.**

**COST: #008 Option I – six classes: $65 JCC and $115 general public**

**#009 Option II – Choice of any three classes: $55 JCC and Springfield Museum members, $115 general public**

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**Passover Wine Tasting & Sale**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.**

**INFORMAL LOBBY TASTINGS**

**WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, MARCH 11 & 12, 4:30 – 6:30 P.M.**

**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

**Over 20 different wines and choose from the area’s best selection of Kosher for Passover wines. Order forms will be available in late February at the JCC or on springfieldjcc.org. Representatives from Gordon’s Fine Wines & Liquors will be available on March 10 to answer all your questions. A 10% cash discount will be offered for orders of 12 or more bottles. Order deadline is March 20 with pickup beginning March 30. JCC Subbies Catering will be offering samples and accepting orders for Passover food.**

**COST: Free of Charge**

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**Don’t Just Think Passover... Consider All Your Kosher Wine Needs**

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**Winter/Spring 2020**

**The Course Guide for Adult Education Programs**

**at the Springfield Jewish Community Center**

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**There She Blows: Whaling and Whales in New England**

**WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 12 – 19 (5 Weeks)**

**7:00 – 8:30 P.M.**

**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

**#009 As the machinery of the Industrial Revolution transformed America, but before women's suffrage became a reality, the nation relied on a fleet of almost 200 ships to hunt whales for their oil. American whalers flew the Stars and Stripes from Greenland to Antarctica to Tahiti and created a new nation. From 1768 until the last ship left New Bedford in 1927, whaling represented economic opportunity and adventure to young men throughout New England and represented the first global ecological catastrophe of the modern age. Join us for a two-week course exploring the history of whaling in New England and the history of the whales they hunted.**

**INSTRUCTOR: Chuck Feh lower is an Army veteran who completed two tours of duty in Iraq. After leaving the military, he received his MA in early American and early Modern European history at Texas A&M University and did his Ph.D. work at Rutgers University, studying colonial culture in Prussian New England. He currently lives in Longsands with his wife, Giselle, two children, and a border Collie.**

**COST: #009 JCC members, $40 general public**

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**Bev Nadler at bnadler@springfieldjcc.org or at 413-739-4715.**
Ticket holders are invited to join us for the 1971 film adaptation, Fiddler: Miracle of Miracles, a documentary film that chronicles the life and spirit of Tevye through rare archival materials, performance footage, and clips from the Oscar-winning 1971 film adaptation, as well as a spectacular theatrical production in the Final A. Harcourt Conservatory, this will depart from the Springfield JCC at 7:30 a.m. and will depart New York at 4:00 p.m. Bring your own lunch or get lunch on your own at the cafe or one of the food courts. An inclusive trip, driver guide the entire way, admission to the theater and the concluding exhibit, including five-foot-tall statues of the characters from the film.

COST: $70 JCC members, $75 general public.

(Reserved parking available at I-91 South Parking Garage or Tower Square Parking Garage with ticket stub) (Free parking available at I-91 South Parking Garage or Tower Square Parking Garage with ticket stub)

New York Botanical Garden – Kosama: Cosmic Nature

TUESDAY JUNE 2

7:30 PM Pick-up at Springfield Museums (State Street Parking Lot)

3:30 PM Pick-up at the Springfield JCC

7:00 PM Return to Springfield

Approximately 250 miles, 8-9 hours of driving time

#023 Experience this multimedia presentation of the work of the internationally celebrated Japanese artist Yoko Kosama. Exclusive to NYBG, this exhibition is designed to capture and illustrate the artist’s profound engagement with nature through the changing seasons from spring into fall. Kosama’s lifelong fascination with the natural world will be revealed in depth with multiple, changing displays, including two immersive and organically formed, polychromed sculptures of flowering trees, renowned nature paintings, and incredible nature-inspired fiber art. This exhibition is as much a spectacular botanical exhibition as it is a fantastic encounter with nature in situ, bringing art and design to life through the Revitalization of our Museum’s Original Conservatories, Blue Orchid Gallery, and the Sunken Garden

COST: $110 for JCC and Springfield Museums members, $155 general public (Upon registration, you will be asked to select your pick-up location.)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 26

Co-sponsored by the Museum School at the Springfield Museums

South Pacific at Goodspeed Opera House

THURSDAY, JUNE 11 10:30 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

On a lush tropical island during WWII, battles of the heart are as much at stake as those on the horizon. In this Rodgers and Hammerstein masterpiece, Lovettstuck nurse Nellie Forbush falls for a French plantation owner which of course sets off a showdown with her fundamentalist hometown in Louisiana. Is the world ready for her? Fall in love with the endearing musical of the classic novel, now reimagined in a vibrant folk-rock style for all generations. With bold choreography, witty humor, and a revolutionary score, this is South Pacific as you’ve never seen it before! Trip includes transportation, orchestra seat, driver generosity, and lunch at the Celeste Cafe.

COST: $115 JCC members, Glenmeadow residents and past trip participants, $130 general public

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 8

Anne of Green Gables at Goodspeed Opera House

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 10:30 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

#022 Anne Shirley just arrived at Prince Edward Island and she’s creating quite a stir! Adopted by abuela Marilla and Matthew Cuthbert, Anne is a feisty, smart and eager to make her way in the world. Is the world ready for her? But is the world ready for her? Fall in love with the endearing musical of the classic novel, now reimagined in a vibrant folk-rock style for all generations. With bold choreography, witty humor, and a revolutionary score, this is South Pacific as you’ve never seen it before! Trip includes transportation, orchestra seat, driver generosity, and lunch at the Celeste Cafe.

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JULY 10

Life Lessons Day Trips

Springfield Symphony Presents Love on Broadway with Maestro Rhodes

Saturday, February 25, 7:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Symphony Hall

#017 Maestro Rhodes is bringing another top-notch cast of singers to Symphony Hall for this Valentine’s Day! Romance is in the air with some of the most beautiful and romantic songs love from the Great White Way. Sit back, relax, and enjoy music from the classics of Broadway with Gordon and Cole Porter, Andrew Lloyd Webber, and Cole Porter. Premium seats available.

COST: $70 JCC members, $75 general public.

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Watercolor Painting and Other Water-based Mediums

**SESSION 1**
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18 – MARCH 15 (6 weeks)**
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 – MARCH 13 (6 weeks)**
**APRIL 13 – JUNE 2 (No class April 30)**
**TUESDAY, JUNE 13 – JUNE 27 (No class April 30)**
**Thursdays, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**
**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

Receive individual instruction in a supportive atmosphere and experiment with various water techniques involving brushwork, color mixing, blending and layering. Each week will have different techniques to encourage students of all levels to paint and explore their creativity. Class size limited to 10.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Sandy A’Danno

**COST:** $90 JCC members, $125 general public

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Zentangle: Collapsible Book

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 6:30 – 9:00 P.M.**
**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

Do you secretly love to draw, but don’t think that you have artistic talent? Relax—daily stress and artistic anxiety and creativity while learning a new art form. Zentangle is a method of creating complex drawings with simple, repetitive patterns. This class will explore Zentangle in 3D while creating this artwork in its mostform to create a collapsible book. Both beginner and experienced tangle artists are welcome.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Annette Chilton is a retired art teacher and has been a Certified Zentangle Teacher since 2002. Annette has an eye for a touch of magic and curiosity and an ability to make it all fun.

**COST:** $50 JCC members, $55 general public

(AtD materials fee includes everything you’ll need for the class and must be paid to the instructor.)

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Sing Out Chorus

**MONDAYS, MARCH 5 – MAY 4 (No class APRIL 20)**
**7:00 – 8:30 P.M.**
**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

If you love to sing! Regardless of your level or vocal range, join others in a welcoming group where you will learn vocal technique, harmony singing, and expand your repertoire while gaining confidence in your own unique voice. Music selections will include popular classics, jazz, and Broadway tunes. Price is non-transferable in a choir and some experience reading music would be helpful. Minimum number of participants: 12.

**INSTRUCTOR:** Ave D’Aponte is a New York State certified music teacher who recently graduated from Umass Amherst with a Master of Music in voice performance. Ave currently works at the Community Music School of Springfield as the Director of the Children’s Chorus and a private voice instructor. She will be assisted by an accompanist.

**COST:** $125 JCC members, $150 general public (Thanks to an anonymous donor, class fees have been substantially reduced.)

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 21**

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First Course Bridge

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 25 – JUNE 3 (No class APRIL 19)**
**7:00 – 3:00 P.M.**
**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

**COST:** $125 JCC members, $150 general public

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Preventing and Treating Seasonal Allergies with Amy Rothendaal, ND

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 7:00 P.M.**
**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

**COST:** Free

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Local Architecture Styles

**TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 7:00 P.M.**
**LOCATION: SPRINGFIELD JCC**

**COST:** Free
How to Enroll

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More Life Lessons Speakers Series

Writing as a Way to Healing
THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 7:00 PM
LOCATION: BAY PATH UNIVERSITY’S HATCH LEARNING COMMONS, 539 Longmeadow Street, Longmeadow

#043 Are you struggling to put a difficult story on paper? Has Suzanne Steinberg’s talk for a talk on how to help you get started. This workshop will cover the basics of organizing and writing a story.

COST: Free

About Life Lessons

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The Adult Life Department offers cultural, social, educational and recreational programming geared toward adults of all ages. Whether you’re looking to develop a new skill, challenge your mind or body, explore new areas, meet new people, or just have fun, you’ll be able to part of our programming. All programs are open to Springfield/JCC members and the general public. 

SCHEDULE:

Please note that this is a partial list of events and programs available. Please consult the February/March newsletter for more offerings. Please contact Director of Life Lessons for more information. The William & Mary Sadowsky Center for Adult Learning at (413) 739-4175 or email at leanoradler@springfieldjcc.org.

Planning Ahead: A Guide to Financial Fitness for Those 50 and Above

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 7:00 PM
LOCATION: SPERRY FAMILY CENTER, 1660 Dickenson Street, Springfield, MA 01118

COST: Free

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