

# PROGRAMME

## THURSDAY, MAY 13TH

■ »Women on the Bima«: Opening lecture: *Rabbi Daniela Thau · Opening Discussion with Speakers and Special guests*

### ■ Lectures

»History of Women in the Rabbinate,« *Rabbi Sybil Sheridan*

»Experiences as the first Woman in the Rabbinate after the Shoa in Germany,« *Rabbi Bea Wyler*

## FRIDAY, MAY 14TH

### ■ Shacharit Service

*Rabbi Katalin Kelemen & Katka Novotna*

### ■ Lecture

»The Concept of ›The Voluntary Jew,« *Dr. Diana Pinto*

■ »Egalitarian Communities in Eastern and Western Europe«

*Discussion with Hadass Golandsky, Rabbi Katalin Kelemen, Dr. Susanna Keval, Rabbi Nelly Kogan, Cantor Pamela Rothmann-Sawyer*

### ■ Workshops

»The Status of Women in Community Life, Ritual Functions and the Rabbinate – Discrepancy between Equal Rights and Their Implementation,« *Rabbi Sybil Sheridan, Rabbi Sylvia Rothschild*

»Jewish Education in Eastern Europe,« *Rabbi Jane Kanarek, Rabbi Nelly Kogan*

»Exegesis and Freedom – Female Points of View on Rabbinical Literature,« *Prof. Dr. Eveline Goodman-Thau*

»On Being a Lesbian Rabbi,« *Rabbi Elizabeth Tikvah Sarah*

»Contemporary Reading of Midrashic Literature,« *Freema Gottlieb*

»Between Tradition and Trauma – Jewish Women of the ›Second and ›Third‹ Generation in Germany,« *Dr. Susanna Keval*

»Leining – Theory and Practice,« *Cantor Pamela Rothmann-Sawyer*

■ Preparation for Shabbat

»In the Footsteps of Regina Jonas – History of Emancipation of Jewish Women in Berlin,« *Walking tour with Iris Weiss*

■ Kabbalat Shabbat, *Cantor Pamela Rothmann-Sawyer & Rabbi Nelly Kogan*

## SATURDAY, MAY 15TH

### ■ Shabbat Service »British Style«

*Rabbi Sylvia Rothschild, Rabbi Elizabeth Tikvah Sarah, Rabbi Sybil Sheridan, Rabbi Daniela Thau*

### ■ Study and Relaxation - Shiurim

»The Parasha through Feminist Eyes,« *Rabbi Elizabeth Tikvah Sarah*

»Rosh Chodesh Ceremonies,« *Jacqueline Rothschild*

»New Concepts of God in Liturgy,« *Prof. Dr. Judith Frishman*

»New Rituals – Menopause, Dying, etc.,« *Rabbi Sylvia Rothschild*

»Shabbat on Shabbat? – Alternative Sanctifications of Shabbat,« *Rabbi Daniela Thau*

»A Week before Shavuot – Ruth in the Midrash,« *Freema Gottlieb*

»Which Experiences Can the Older Generation Pass to the Younger One?«: *Historical Discussion, with Hanna Hochmann, Dr. Ilse Perlman, Shoshana Ronen*

»Leining – Theory and Practice,« *Cantor Pamela Rothmann-Sawyer*

■ Lectures

»Study and Prayer; the Pillars of Jewish Tradition – Concept of a Jewish Culture Critique,« *Prof. Dr. Eveline Goodman-Thau*

»Reconstructing a Useable Past,« *Prof. Dr. Judith Frishman*

■ Dinner and a Music Programme, »Chasanut and Jewish Songs,« *Avital Gerstetter (Soprano) and Chawa Gerstetter (Piano), Sarah Siegmann (Songs), Jessica Jacoby (Belly Dancing)*

■ Havdalah and Rosh Chodesh *Miriam Rosengarten & Hannah Zinn*

## SUNDAY, MAY 16TH

### ■ Rosh Chodesh Service

*Rabbi Jane Kanarek & Rabbi Bea Wyler*

■ Panel Discussion: BET DEBORA – Summary and Perspectives

■ Concert »Chasanut – Songs of the Synagogue,« *Cantor Mimi Sheffer*

## SPEAKERS AND ORGANISERS

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