

Living the Lunar Calendar Time, Text and Tradition

AN
INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE

30th January - 1st February 2010
at the Bible Lands Museum Jerusalem with a guided tour of Qumran

The Living the Lunar Calendar Conference - held under the full moon of the Jewish festival of the New Year for Trees (Tu B'Shvat) will investigate the place of calendar reckoning in human society and culture. Focusing on the moon as a marker of the passage of time, the conference will address a wide variety of issues regarding the application of calendrical rules to everyday life, and beyond to the shaping of cultural identity.

Saturday 30th January

19:30-22:45 Reception and registration
Welcome by **Amanda Weiss, Director, BLMJ**
Introductory Lectures **The Moon and the Calendar**
Gallery Tours of the Bible Lands Museum

Sunday 31st January

08:30-09:00 Additional registration and coffee
09:00-10:30 Session I: **Mesopotamia**
10:45-12:30 Session II: **Rabbinic Judaism**
13:00 Depart to Qumran
14:30-21:30 Guided tour of Qumran, dinner, lectures and viewing of the night sky from the Judean Desert

Monday 1st February

09:00-09:30 Coffee
09:30-11:15 Session III: **Classics and the Ancient Mediterranean**
11:30-13:00 Session IV: **Judaism and Christianity**
13:00-14:30 Lunch in the Museum and Poster Sessions
14:30-16:00 Session V: **The Americas**
16:15-17:30 Session VI: **The Far East and Beyond**

Partial list of speakers includes:

Jonathan Ben-Dov	University of Haifa, Israel
Lis Brack-Bernsen	Regensburg University, Germany
Leo Depuydt	Brown University, USA
Robert Hannah	University of Otago, New Zealand
Wayne Horowitz	The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel
Stanislaw Iwaniszewski	National School of Anthropology and History, Mexico
Tsevi Mazeh	Tel-Aviv University, Israel
Lawrence H. Schiffman	New York University, USA
John Steele	Brown University, USA
Sacha Stern	University College London, England

■ Conducted in English ■ Advanced registration required ■ For further details, fees and registration information visit www.blmj.org or the conference website <http://orion.msc.huji.ac.il/calendar/>

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