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Open Lives, Hidden Lives, Negotiating Jewish Identity in New Mexico

Alvin H. Solomon Annual
Conference on New Mexico
Jewish History
Santa Fe, November 17-19, 2000
Santa Fe Hilton Hotel

OPEN LIVES, HIDDEN LIVES: NEGOTIATING JEWISH IDENTITY IN NEW MEXICO

Friday, November 17th:

5:30 pm	Registration
7:30-8:30 pm	Dessert and Coffee Reception Book Signing and Creative Arts Display
8:30 pm	Welcoming Remarks A. David Scholder, President Melanie LaBorwit, Conference Chair Research Update from the Society for Crypto-Judaic Studies: Gloria Trujillo, President, Society for Crypto-Judaic Studies Consuelo Luz, Santa Fe: "Exploring the Sephardic Spirit Through Song: A Concert of Ladino Music"

Saturday, November 18th:

9:00-10:00 am	Melanie LaBorwit, Las Vegas Rough Rider Museum: "A Shortage of Brides: Dissolving Cultural Identities and Assimilation in New Mexico's Early Jewish History"
10:00-10:45 am	Stanley Hordes, Ph.D., University of New Mexico: "Accommodation by Spanish Crypto-Jews on Mexico's Far Northern Frontier"
10:45-11:00 am	Break
11:00 am-noon	Seth Kunin, Ph.D., University of Aberdeen: "Negotiating Identities and Identity Conflict among the Crypto-Jews of New Mexico"
12:00-1:45 pm	Lunch (on your own)
2:00-2:45 pm	Henry Tobias, Ph.D., University of Oklahoma: "Patterns of Cultural Retention and Loss Among Ashkenazi Jews in New Mexico in the Nineteenth Century"
2:45-3:30 pm	Jan Rosenberg, Ph.D., Oklahoma City: "Looking in Our Backyard: Exploring Folklife in the Jewish Community"
3:30-5:00 pm	Tour of New Mexico Museum Foundation's Exhibit: <i>Pioneer Jews of New Mexico</i> , Palace of the Governors

5:00-7:00 pm At leisure

7:00 pm Dinner Banquet
Speaker: Saul Cohen, Santa Fe:
"From Anasazi to Ashkenazi, Jews
in the Literature of New Mexico "

Sunday, November 19th:

9:00-10:30 am	Panel Discussion: "Descendants of Sephardic Pioneers of New Mexico" Seth Kunin, Ph.D. University of Aberdeen, Moderator Participants: Lorenzo Domínguez, Albuquerque Isabelle Medina Sandoval, Santa Fe Gerald González, Washington D.C. Orfa Salinas, Las Vegas
10:30-10:45 am	Break
10:45 am-noon	Panel Discussion: "Descendants of Ashkenazi Pioneers of New Mexico" Abe Chanin, Ph.D., University of Arizona, Moderator Participants: Randy Seligman, Albuquerque Robert Taichert, Albuquerque Marian Silver, Santa Fe Amalia Longoria, Las Vegas
12:00-1:45 pm	Bagel and Lox Brunch
2:00-3:30 pm	Walking Tour of Jewish Santa Fe, conducted by Stefanie Beninato, Ph.D.

The New Mexico Jewish Historical Society's Alvin H. Solomon Annual Conference in Jewish History will examine the crucial issues of identity, self-definition, and spiritual community. What is it like to find out you are not who you thought you were? What is it like to hide your Jewish identity? For some, the discovery of Jewish roots confirms long held suspicions of identity. For others, it becomes a burden or an obstacle to fitting into society. These conflicts will be explored through the academic research of distinguished scholars, as well as through the life experiences of people in the New Mexico Jewish community.

Please Note: Hotel reservations are not included.

Special conference rate of \$99 sngl/dbl. Call the Santa Fe Hilton Hotel directly at 1-800-445-8667, Reservation Code JHS.

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Conference registration, admission to all Programs, Friday
Dessert Reception, Saturday Banquet, Sunday Brunch

For Saturday Dinner Banquet please indicate the number of people and how many entrees: