

National Havurah Committee Summer Institute

Franklin Pierce University
Rindge, NH

2010 theme

D'ror Yikra:

Freedom for All

Complete information online

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Share in a week of joyous Jewish learning, exploration, celebration, and community.

The NHC Summer Institute is a unique opportunity for serious study, moving prayer, spirited conversations, late-night jam sessions, singing, dancing, swimming, mediation, and hiking.

Transportation to Rindge, NH

The NHC coordinates shuttles from the Manchester Airport. Shuttles from other airports, or ride-shares to the campus can be arranged upon request. An online rideshare board will be active in July to enable participants who need or can offer a ride to find each other.

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Register by
June 14th
and SAVE!

August 2-8, 2010
Franklin Pierce University
Rindge, NH



Choose Two Courses

- The art of Sephardic music*
- Murder or *Mitzvah*: the ethics of animals as food
- How to write a social justice *d'var torah* that's not a dud
- The glass is half Jewish: Mixed heritage, conversion, and intermarriage
- Sixty years of Israeli poetry between War and Peace
- The class of wills and the will to heal: Pediatric ethics and rabbinic thought
- Should the law pierce the mountain? The role of communal narrative in Jewish law
- D'raw *yikra*
- Torah Queeries: Not your zayde/bubbe's *parshat hashavua*
- What are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur all about?
- Freedom to love-The Song of Songs in biblical, rabbinical, mystical and modern perspectives
- A post-modern haredi philosopher? The thought of Rav Yitzhak Hutner
- The Exodus-narrative: Text and Interpretation
- Freedom Declared: Jewish poetry laboratories*
- The art and spirit of prayer leading
- Israel through the lens: Israeli filmmakers look at their world
- *Lomir Zingen Frayheyt* (Let's sing freedom)
- So you think you can't dance?
- *Al Shlosha Devarim*...On three things the world stands: Truth, justice and the American way? Exploring the relationship between Jews, Judaism, and the American comic book
- Walking Humbly with God: Towards a progressive definition of *tzniut* (modesty)
- The ground where you are walking is holy: A Jewish theology of place
- The Black Fire
- My brother's keeper: The law of *lifnei iver*
- "Amish" Yisrael? Technology, radical simplicity, and Jewish freedom of choice
- Reading (and writing) *midrash*
- Who Jew? You Jew? - The complexities of contemporary conversion

*Taught by Poretsky Artist in Residence

A Day at the Institute

- Take two classes with dynamic teachers
- Attend (or lead) a stimulating workshop
- Choose from exciting prayer, Havurah *davening*, text study, and yoga options
- Enjoy delicious kosher vegetarian food
- Walk, swim, hike, or work out at the fully-equipped indoor gym
- Relax in a beautiful natural setting
- Participate in evening programs and entertainment
- Make new friends, renew old friendships, have great conversations, laugh, think, sing, dance, and learn



Our 2010 theme is *D'ror Yikra: Freedom for All*, from the popular Shabbat song. This summer, join us in thinking about the ways in which we are each free and fettered. How can we work to bring the freedom we enjoy to all people? In our lives as Jews, which limits do we accept and which make us long for freedom? In the pluralistic settings we find ourselves in, how do we relate to the different ideas of freedom held by our friends and community members? Together, we'll spend the week contemplating these issues and more, and hopefully emerge with a bit more freedom than we entered.



The **National Havurah Committee (NHC)** is a network of diverse individuals and communities dedicated to Jewish living and learning, community building, and *tikkun olam* (repairing the world). Now in its fourth decade, the NHC has helped Jews across North America envision a joyful grassroots Judaism, and has provided the tools to help people create empowered Jewish lives and communities. The NHC is a nondenominational, multigenerational, egalitarian, and volunteer-run organization that holds an annual week-long summer Institute, sponsors regional retreats, and serves as a resource center for *havurot* nationwide.



Find yourself here! Institute participants are...

Musicians, doctors, students, furniture makers, retirees, Jewish professionals, homemakers, teachers, activists...

Jews from birth and Jews by choice, LGBT and straight...

Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist, Renewal, non-/post-denominational, secular (non-Jews welcome, too)...

A wide variety of Jewish learning backgrounds



Kids Camp

- Vibrant age-appropriate learning opportunities
- Ages 6 months to 12 years
- All-day programming
- Led by a talented staff of educators, artists, and musicians
- Evening babysitting also available (additional fee)



Fellowships, Scholarships, and Work Study

The NHC strives to make the Summer Institute accessible to all who want to participate. Go to www.havurah.org for more information.

The **Everett Fellowship** is for young adults aged 22-32 who are interested in exploring havurah Judaism and their place in the Jewish world.

The **Hollander Social Justice Fellowship** is awarded to an individual experienced with social justice organization who will plan justice-oriented programming for the NHC community.

Work Study participants can attend the Institute at a reduced cost in exchange for working at the Institute.

Scholarship and travel grants are available. All scholarship requests are confidential.



Participant Fees

Institute costs, which include accommodations, meals, and all programming, are \$800 for adults, \$200 for the 1st child, \$175 for the 2nd child, and \$150 for the 3rd child. Shabbat-only (Friday afternoon through Sunday morning) at the Institute costs \$267 for adults and \$89 for children. NHC membership dues are \$40 per adult and \$80 per household. Participant fees increase after June 14.

Celebrating Shabbat

All of the intellectual, creative and spiritual excitement of the week leads to our joyful community Shabbat.



Spirited *Kabbalat Shabbat* (welcoming Shabbat) evening services, and festive dinner



Wake up to an inspiring variety of Shabbat morning prayer services and service alternatives



Shabbat-friendly programs all day, including text study, singing, discussions, storytelling, games, hikes, and poetry readings



Seudah shelishit (the third Shabbat meal) and beautiful *havdalah* (end-of-Shabbat ceremony) under the stars



Can't come for the week? Join us just for Shabbat!

