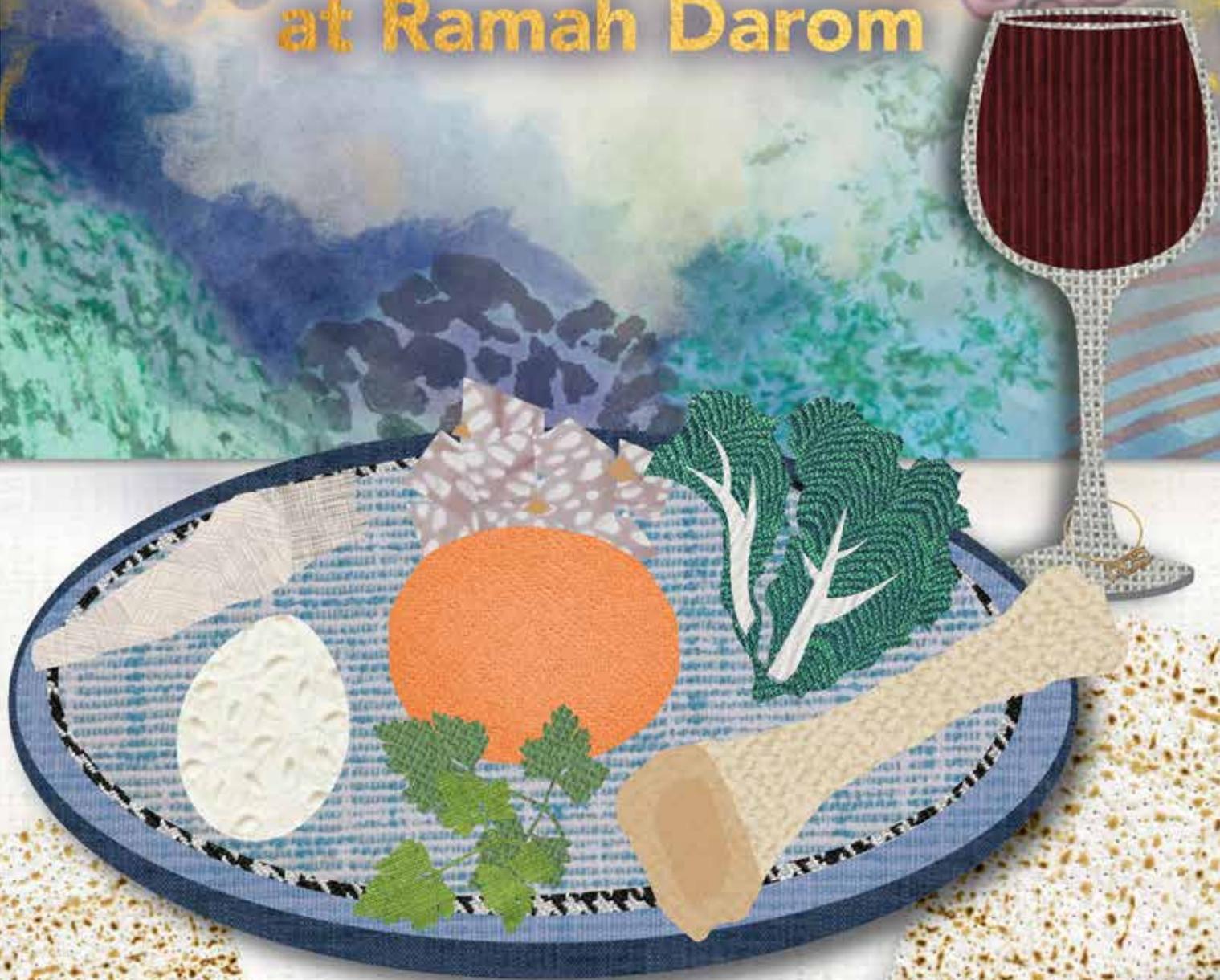


# PASSOVER

at Ramah Darom



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**Program Guide**





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**Bruchim Habaim, Welcome to Ramah Darom!**

We are thrilled to welcome you to our home-away-from-home for the 2023 Passover Retreat. There is nothing quite like spending Passover in the beautiful North Georgia Mountains with this *kehillah kedosha* (holy community). Our time together is not just a holiday getaway, but also an opportunity for connection and growth. Passover celebrates our people’s exodus from Egypt and how they became a stronger nation during their journey through the wilderness. The Passover Retreat allows us to disconnect from the busy lives we lead in the outside world to build beautiful community in our own (maybe slightly more luxurious) wilderness. We hope that your experience at Ramah Darom provides you with a sense of peoplehood as we explore the richness of our Jewish tradition through celebration, song, learning, prayer, delicious food and so much more!

This Program Guide has everything you need to know to make the most of your experience. Please read through it and bring it with you wherever you go. We are always happy to answer any and all questions.

We look forward to spending the Passover holiday with you. *Chag Sameach!*

*L’Shalom,*

Eliana Leader & Rachel Herman

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# PASSOVER RETREAT A-Z

**Accessibility:** All our recreational buildings are wheelchair/handicap accessible. On Shabbat and *Yom Tov*, the elevator in the Levine Center will operate in 'Shabbat mode' and run automatically. Shuttles run daily throughout campus with continuous service between 7:45am and 11:00pm (midnight on Seder nights). Shuttle stops with seating are located at several clearly-marked locations. Wait time for a shuttle can be up to 30 minutes. Please note we do not have golf carts available for individual and family rental.

**Attire:** Our atmosphere is casual, but for Shabbat and *Yom Tov* we recommend dressier attire. No matter the day of the week, comfortable walking shoes are a must! The weather can be unpredictable in the mountains and temperatures can drop quickly in the evenings and early mornings. It is helpful to have layers of clothing and a raincoat with you.

**Babysitting:** Beginning Fri, April 7, we offer private babysitting on a first-come, first-served basis for \$20/hr, with a minimum 2-hour guarantee. Reservations may be made at the Concierge Desk by 2:00pm on the requested day.

**Boating:** We are excited to open our lake for guests to enjoy boating; however, please note that the lake will be closed on *Yom Tov*. Boating is open to all during designated hours while lifeguards are on duty. Please note the swimming pool will not be open.

**Candle Lighting:** We provide Shabbat and *Yom Tov* candles at designated times in the *Chadar Ochel* (Dining Hall). *Yahrzeit* candles are also available upon request. Do not light candles in your room. Candle lighting times are listed in the daily schedule.

**Checkout:** Checkout is no later than 9:00am on Sun, April 9 and 10:00am on Fri, April 14. Please stop by the Welcome Center to recycle your name tag lanyard and return your key if applicable. If you are departing mid-holiday, we invite you to remain on campus and enjoy the day's programming after vacating your room.

**Coffee Service:** Coffee and tea are available at each meal, and all hotel rooms and cottages have a Keurig. Stop by the Concierge Desk for additional coffee pods and sugar.

**Concierge Desk:** Our Concierge Desk is located at the Levine Center on the ground floor in the outdoor portico area below the *Chadar Ochel* (Dining Hall). Hours are 9:30am-12:00pm and 1:30-6:00pm. Sign up here for sessions that have limited space, report maintenance issues, reserve babysitting, check in/out activity supplies and pick up daily snacks. Activity supplies include mountain bikes and helmets, board games, poker and Mah Jongg sets, tennis rackets and more. Checked-out items must be returned to the Concierge Desk in their original condition or charges for replacements may be assessed.

**Drinking Water:** All water on our property is underground mountain spring water—great for drinking!

**Emergencies:** In the event of an emergency, call 911 from your mobile device or any phone on campus. Be prepared to state the nature of the problem and your location (70 Darom Lane, Clayton, Georgia 30525). Also, please notify a staff member of the situation by calling 706.782.9300. If you do not have a mobile device on hand, there are landlines in the Welcome Center office, at the pool, in the kitchen and in all living spaces. **Note that a medical professional will be onsite during the retreat for emergency needs, and the hospital in Clayton is about 25 minutes away.**

**Fitness Center:** For safety reasons, only guests 16 and older are welcome to use our Fitness Center. Our Fitness Center is located on the ground floor of the Levine Center and is equipped with bikes, treadmills, elliptical, bench press benches, cross fit equipment, a multi-purpose weight machine, medicine balls, gym bands and yoga mats. Please keep all fitness equipment inside the Fitness Center.

**Heated Accommodations:** All accommodations, including cabins, are heated. Each cabin has a thermostat located in the common area that controls the building.

**Housekeeping & Trash:** We do not provide daily housekeeping in personal living areas during the retreat. For guests staying for the full duration of the retreat, our housekeeping team will enter living areas on the following dates to tidy the bathrooms, take out the trash and replenish towels:

- **Cabins:** Fri, April 7 & Mon, April 10
- **Hotel Rooms & Cottages:** Sat, April 8 & Tue, April 11

Guests can place waste in outdoor trash receptacles near their accommodations. Trash is collected daily from these outdoor bins. Please ensure lids are secured on outdoor containers after throwing out your trash.

Plastic laundry bins are placed outside hotels and on cabin porches for linen and towel collection on the assigned days the housekeeping team visits your accommodation. You can pick up an additional set of linens or towels at the Concierge Desk.

**Laundry:** There are no laundry machines available for use on campus. We offer a professional laundry service for families who wish to have their clothes laundered mid-program for \$36 a bag (max. 12lbs/per bag, overweight bags will incur an additional fee of \$10). Any family who pre-purchased this service will find a laundry bag in their accommodations upon arrival. If you would like to purchase laundry service or additional laundry bags during the Retreat, you may do so at the Concierge Desk. Guests who prefer lights and darks laundered separately will need 2 laundry bags. Place dirty laundry bags on your cabin porch or outside of your hotel room by 10:00am on Sun, April 9. Laundry will be returned to the same location after 5:00pm on Mon, April 10.

**Lost & Found:** Lost & Found is located at the Concierge Desk.

**Luggage Service:** Luggage assistance is available to all guests arriving and departing on the airport shuttle. If you are taking a shuttle back to the airport and require luggage assistance, your luggage must be placed on the porch of your cabin or outside of your hotel door on the appropriate day and time.

- Sun, April 9: 9:00am shuttle, luggage ready by 7:00am
- Thu, April 13: 10:00pm shuttle, luggage ready by 9:00pm
- Fri, April 14: 5:00am shuttle, luggage ready by 4:00am
- Fri, April 14: 8:00am shuttle, luggage ready by 7:00am

You must be at the bus 30 minutes before departure time to ensure your luggage is there and give approval to have it loaded onto the bus. **Luggage will not be loaded onto the bus until it is identified by its owner.** Buses will depart from the Welcome Center.

**Maintenance Requests:** You can submit any maintenance requests at [RamahDarom.org/Maintenance](http://RamahDarom.org/Maintenance) or visit the Concierge Desk. Facility staff is on call at all times. We ask that you avoid submitting requests before 7:30am or after 9:00pm, unless it is an emergency.

**Meals, Snacks & Beverages:** Ramah Darom is a kosher facility under the supervision of the Atlanta Kosher Commission (AKC). All meals, snacks and beverages are provided. Please help us maintain our Passover kashrut by not bringing outside food onto our campus or taking tableware or glassware outside the *Chadar Ochel* (Dining Hall).

- **Food Service:** Most meals are self-serve buffets except for seders which are served family-style. If you wish to dine outside, you can ask a Food & Beverage staff member for paper goods.
- **Kiddush:** At Communal Seders and at Shabbat Dinner, *Kiddush* is recited aloud for the community; the buffet line opens afterward. Ritual items will be provided per table at all other mealtimes, as needed.
- **Seders:** Alphabetical seder seating assignments are posted in the *Chadar Ochel* (Dining Hall) on each seder night. Please plan to be seated 10 minutes before seder start times. Communal Seders will begin at 7:45pm on both nights. If you have a semi-private seder, please let us know if you plan to start your seder at a later time on the second night. *Shulchan Orech* (Dinner) must be served by 10:45pm.
- **Snacks:** Daily complimentary snacks are available for pickup at the Concierge Desk between 3:30-4:30pm, unless otherwise noted in the schedule, and cold drinks and canteen treats can be purchased throughout the day.
- **Boxed Lunches:** For guests going on our *Chol Hamoad* excursions, independent day trips or departing during Passover, we have a buffet available where you may prepare boxed lunches or snacks for you and your family to bring with you.

**Medical Care:** A medical professional will be onsite during the entire Passover Retreat. For minor medical issues, first aid kits are available at the Concierge Desk, the *Chadar Ochel* (Dining Hall), the *Beit Am* (Covered Basketball Court) and Boathouse. The medical professional on staff offers Health Clinic hours daily from 8:30-9:30am. Our Health Clinic is located in the "Mini Marp", on the lower level of the Levine Center, near the Concierge Desk.

**Mountain Bikes:** Mountain bikes and helmets are available to check out at the Concierge Desk. All riders must wear helmets. We do not have any youth-size bicycles.

**Optional Charges:** At check-in, we require a credit card to keep on file for any authorized on-campus charges such as concierge snacks, laundry service, last-minute amenity add-ons, Ramah merchandise, etc. Credit card charges are processed at the conclusion of the Retreat and a receipt will be emailed.

**Phones (Landlines & Mobile):** Cell phone signals on campus can be spotty, so we suggest enabling Wi-Fi calling if your phone has this feature. If you find a good spot, stay put! All hotel rooms and cabin buildings also have a landline phone, and you can make free calls to anywhere in the US and most of Canada from these phones. To call another location on campus from a landline, dial the four-digit extension for the room or location you are trying to reach; each location has the extension number posted next to the phone. If someone off-campus wants to reach your room or cabin, they can call 706.782.9300 and enter your room's four-digit extension when prompted.

**Prayer:** All participants are invited to join in daily prayer services. Times for services can be found in the Daily Schedule section of this guide. Please bring your own *tallit*, *tefillin* and *kippot* to wear if it is your custom.

**Reception Desk:** The Reception Desk at the Welcome Center is staffed from 8:30am to 11:00pm. On Wed, April 4 and Sun, 9, a receptionist will be at the desk until midnight. On Fri, April 14, the Reception Desk will be closed. The phone number is 706.782.9300. This number will reach an emergency contact after hours.

**Room Keys:** Hotel room keys are available upon request, although most guests choose to leave their rooms unlocked during the day. Keys must be returned to the Reception Desk before checkout or a charge of \$50 will be assessed. Please note, we only have one key available per room.

**Running & Walking Off Property:** If you intend to run or walk on the road outside of our property, please be aware that there are dogs in the area that might not be as friendly as we are at Ramah Darom!

**Shabbat & Yom Tov:** Shabbat and *Yom Tov* are sacred times at Ramah Darom. We encourage a screen-free environment in public spaces on these days. There is a Shabbat elevator in the Levine Center available for your convenience during Shabbat and *Yom Tov*. An *eruv*, checked by our *Mashgiach*, surrounds our campus.

**Sign-ups:** Art classes, archery, climbing and some other activities require advanced sign up. All sign-up sheets can be found at the Concierge Desk.

**Smoking:** Smoking is not allowed inside any building. There is a designated smoking area on the back porch outside of the Mountainside Dining Hall. Fees are assessed to rooms or areas showing evidence of smoking or smoke damage.

**Toys & Sporting Equipment:** Sports equipment and games are available to check out at the Concierge Desk. Feel free to bring your own toys, games and equipment (fishing gear, musical instruments, balls, frisbees, yoga mat, etc.) and make sure to label everything. Please note that we do not allow water guns or other toy weapons on our property.

**Valuables:** Ramah Darom is not responsible for missing or lost items. If you are uncomfortable leaving valuables in your room, you may either leave them locked in your car (at your own risk) or request a room key.

**Vehicles:** The speed limit on campus is 5mph. Please only park in the approved parking locations near your accommodations. We ask that you leave your vehicle parked for the retreat duration. Guests are not permitted to drive through campus at any time. Ramah Darom is not responsible for any damage caused to cars on campus.

**Wildlife:** Ramah Darom is fortunate to be surrounded by the Chattahoochee National Forest and we share our beautiful property with a variety of local wildlife. Please keep your eyes open, particularly when walking at night, and let a member of our staff know if you spot any wildlife that could pose a threat to our guests.

**Wi-Fi:** Wireless internet service is available throughout the facility via "Ramah Darom Wi-Fi" (no password). If you have any issues connecting to the internet, try turning your device's Wi-Fi off and back on, then try reconnecting. If you still have connectivity issues, contact the Bridge Communications Help Desk: 866.632.2717, hit 1 (for after-hours emergency support, hit 5), email [support@bridge-comm.net](mailto:support@bridge-comm.net), or inform a member of the Ramah Darom staff.

**Work Space:** We understand many of our guests must remain connected with the outside world during their stay. There are a few workspaces in the Welcome Center office available on a first-come, first-served basis. We ask that you be respectful of other guests' observances during *Yom Tov* and Shabbat and conduct your business in a private area. There is Wi-Fi access in every building on campus.

**Youth Program:** Supervised youth programming and activities are offered daily. Please see the Youth Program Booklet for a detailed schedule with pick-up, drop off and activity locations for all age groups. Extra copies of the booklet will be available at the Concierge Desk.

Note: All campers should be wearing closed-toe shoes during Camp hours.

Kids Camp Days	Times
Thu, April 6; Fri, April 7	1:30-5:30pm
Sat, April 8; Sun, April 9; Mon, April 10; Tue, April 11	9:30am-12:00pm & 1:30-5:00pm
Wed, April 12; Thu, April 13	1:30-5:30pm

### 6 months-4 years old (Pre-Kindergarten):

What to pack each day: Stroller (if applicable), diaper bags, diapers (plus storage bag for cloth diapers if applicable), spare clothes, hat, and any comfort items (blankets, pacifiers, toys, etc.).

- Campers will be divided into two *aidot* (age units): 2 and under and 3-4 year olds.
- Campers must be potty trained to be in the 3-4 year old age group.
- Drop off and pick up campers at the Gan building.
- For safety reasons, pick-up and drop off must be done by a child's parent/guardian.

### Kindergarten-Teens:

- Campers will be split into four *aidot* (age units): Kindergarten-1<sup>st</sup> Grade, 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grade, 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade and Teens
- Campers in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and under must be dropped off and picked up by a parent/guardian.
- If you have a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader or older and would like them to be checked in and out of camp by a parent, please let their counselors know.
- If a 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grader is participating in Kids Camp, they can check themselves in and out at the start and end of the program block but cannot come and go in between those times (ie: If Kids Camp is scheduled from 1:30-5:00pm, the campers in this age range cannot leave in the middle unless picked up by a parent).
- Campers in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up must arrive at the activity start time and cannot join or leave in the middle of that specific activity.



**Welcome Center**  
706.782.9300

**Maintenance Requests**  
[RamahDarom.org/Maintenance](http://RamahDarom.org/Maintenance)



We are pleased to offer offsite excursions to enhance your Passover vacation. See below for excursion descriptions, pricing and signups. We coordinate everything for you from booking to transportation! All guests leaving campus for excursions will be able to pack boxed meals to take with them.

Guests participating in excursions must register and pay by 10:00am the day prior to the excursion. If you have not registered and would like to participate in any of these excursions, please visit the Concierge Desk.

Refunds are provided only for cancellations made by Wed, April 5. No refunds will be provided for any reservations made onsite. Please inform our Concierge Desk ahead of time if you are not going on your preselected excursion, or if you sold your space to another guest. Transportation for excursions departs from the main road behind the Levine Center. Due to time constraints and respect for other guests we will not wait for stragglers. Refunds are not available if guests miss the bus! For your convenience, a boxed lunch and snack buffet is available each day in the back of the *Chadar Ochel* (Dining Hall).

## Sunday, April 9 Excursions

### Project Chimps

**Price:** \$45/person

**Time:** 9:00am-2:00pm

All ages are invited to take a private walking tour of one of the newest chimpanzee sanctuaries in the United States. On this adventure you will learn all about Project Chimps' approach to lifelong care of former research chimpanzees and be guided through the sanctuary where you will get to see these awesome animals in their outdoor habitats or villas. After your tour you can enjoy lunch by the Koi Pond, play chimpanzee-themed games and more! If you would like to attend but are unable to participate in a walking tour, sign-up and then contact us at [retreats@ramahdarom.org](mailto:retreats@ramahdarom.org) so we can coordinate for Project Chimps to have a golf cart available to you onsite.

### North Georgia Waterfalls Tour: Beginner to Intermediate Level Hike

**Price:** \$36/person

**Time:** 1:30pm-5:00pm

Enjoy two light hikes to Minnehaha Falls Trail and Angel Falls Trail. You will catch views of outstandingly beautiful waterfalls while exploring this gorgeous area of Blue Ridge. Both trails are family-friendly and great for all ages!

### Kids Only (Grades 3-6): Bavarian Mini Golf

**Price:** \$36/child

**Time:** 1:30-5:00pm

With the best views around, Bavarian Mountain Mini Golf in Helen, GA is a great activity for kids. The rushing streams and beautiful waterfalls makes for fun adventure, rain or shine!

## Monday, April 10 Excursions

### Sunburst Stables: ATV Rides

**Price:** \$175/driver age 16+, \$100/passenger ages 4+

**Time:** 8:45am-12:30pm

You'll follow experienced guides around a 5-mile loop of mountain terrain, visit a gold mine, and drive through a cave. You'll see the mini animal farm as we cruise leisurely back to base camp. Participants ages 16+ with a driver's license may drive alone. *Weight Limit: 350 lbs. maximum per ATV, 2nd passenger 100 lbs. maximum.*

### Sunburst Stables: Family Adventure Horseback Riding

**Price:** \$136/rider 6+, \$60/rider age 3-6 on shared horse

**Time:** 8:45am-12:30pm

This is a great family trip that's perfect for ages 3+. Ride a mountain path to the miniature animal farm, stop for fishing at three stocked ponds, enjoy a Kosher-for-Passover snack, see a blacksmith demonstration on a forge, ride a train through a gold mine cave, feed the animals and check out the aviary. This will be a delightful horseback ride, experiencing all the natural beauty the Chattahoochee National Forest has to offer! Ages 7+ must ride on their own horse. *Weight Limit: 270 lbs. maximum per horse.*

### Sunburst Stables: Mountain Adventure Horseback Riding

**Price:** \$136/person age 6+

**Time:** 1:30-5:30pm

Sunburst Stables offers guided trail rides into the grand 4,000 acres of gorgeous mountain trails. On this incredible 2-hour guided mountain horseback ride, you'll enjoy the natural beauty of the Chattahoochee National Forest and even have a chance to ride up to an old moonshine still! This special, longer ride (7-9 miles) lets you experience an even deeper look into the forest with more time to enjoy the untouched beauty of streams and wooded trails on this incredible adventure. *Weight Limit: 270 lbs. maximum per horse.*

### Sunburst Stables: Zipline Tour

**Price:** \$100/person

**Time:** 8:45am-12:30pm or 1:30-5:30pm

Sunburst Stables makes ziplining fun and safe for everyone ages 2 to 102. Hung throughout the trees, nine ziplines total 7,000 linear feet, making this a great family adventure. *Weight Requirements: 250lbs. maximum and 20lbs. minimum.*

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## Tuesday, April 11 Excursions

### Andy's Trout Farm & Gem Mining

**Price:** \$50/participant 4+, \$10/child 3 years and under

**Time:** 10:30am-1:00pm

Have fun fishing for trout with your whole family! Poles and bait are included for ages 4 and up. Bring your catches back to Ramah Darom and it will be cooked for you to enjoy during dinner! Bonus activity: Mine for gems when you need to take a fishing break!

### Rabun Bald Adventure: Difficult Level Hike

**Price:** \$36/person

**Time:** 8:00am-3:00pm

This strenuous hike promises incredible views! You will enjoy a challenging 7-mile hike featuring Rabun Bald, Georgia's second-highest peak, and two stunning 100+ foot waterfalls.

### Teen Field Trip: Axe Throwing & Coaster Ride

**Price:** \$36/axe thrower + \$20/person for the Coaster

**Time:** 9:30am-1:00pm

Teens (ages 13+) can enjoy a field trip to Helen, GA where they will get to test out their strength and experience darts with axes! A ride through the trees in the Georgia Mountain Coaster can be added to this excursion.





Grab a Ramah Darom map and take an audio tour of campus at [ramahdarom.org/take-a-tour](https://ramahdarom.org/take-a-tour)

TUESDAY, APRIL 4		
TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
3:00-8:00pm	<b>Welcome &amp; Check-in</b>	Welcome Center
3:00-5:00pm	<b>Grab &amp; Go Snacks with Chametz!</b>	Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)
3:30-6:00pm	<b>Open Boating</b>	Agam (Lake)
	<b>Open Family Art</b> Come and go as you enjoy art projects for the whole family!	Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
4:00-6:00pm	<b>Watercolor a Ramah Landscape with Judy Robkin*</b>	
5:00-6:00pm	<b>Stroll Ramah Darom (Easy)</b> Enjoy a tour of our campus.	Meet at Welcome Center
6:00-6:15pm	<b>Mincha</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
6:00-7:30pm	<b>Dinner</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
7:30-11:00pm	<b>Film Screening: <i>The 10 Commandments</i></b> Get in the Passover spirit by watching Charlton Heston's timeless classic.	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
7:45-8:30pm	<b>Family Bedikat Chametz Challenge with Kelly Cohen</b> A great activity for all ages inspired by the game <i>Clue</i> . Enjoy a unique hunt to find the last of the <i>chametz</i> and prepare for Passover. Make plans to join us on Wednesday at 9:30am to burn the <i>chametz</i> , too!	Meet at Levine Center Portico
8:30-8:45pm	<b>Maariv</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
8:45-10:00pm	<b>Welcome Bonfire &amp; Jam Hosted by Ramah Darom CEO Wally Levitt</b> Enjoy the first night of the retreat by the fire meeting faculty and staff, making new friends, enjoying some drinks and snacks and listening to campfire songs. Bring musical instruments!	Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)

\*See Session Descriptions on pages 30-31.

Grey denotes preregistration required!

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
10:00am-4:00pm	<b>Welcome &amp; Check-in for Wednesday Arrivals</b>	Welcome Center
7:45-8:45am	<b>Shacharit</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Daily Dose of Talmud with Rabbi Aaron Alexander*</b>	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
9:30-9:45am	<b>Burning of the Chametz</b>	Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)
9:45am-12:00pm	<b>Climbing*</b>	Alpine Tower
	<b>Open Boating</b>	Agam (Lake)
	<b>Open Family Art</b> Come and go as you enjoy art projects for the whole family!	Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
9:45-10:45am	<b>Chavruta Speed Dating: Beit Midrash 101 with Eliana Leader</b> This session is a great way to kick off your Passover experience and prepare for the meaningful sessions to come with our incredible lineup of faculty & staff! Have you ever wanted to dive into Jewish text one- on-one with another learner? Do you want to engage in respectful "arguments for the sake of Heaven" but don't know how? Join this round-robin session, where we will experience the <i>Beit Midrash</i> environment in a fun and fast-paced format.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Hike to the Waterfall</b> Enjoy an easy walk to view the gorgeous waterfall on Ramah Darom's campus. This hike is not stroller accessible and the trail is uneven.	Meet at Levine Center Portico
10:00am-12:00pm	<b>Fabric Necklaces with Judy Robkin*</b>	Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Nodding at the Waves: Questioning as a Jewish Value with Maharat Rori Picker Neiss</b> As we approach the start of Passover, we will gather together to prepare ourselves for the most fundamental element of both the Passover holiday and our existence as Jews: the art of questioning. This text study will weave through rabbinic and modern sources as we unpack the ways in which the road from oppression towards liberation is paved with questions.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Body Sculpt with Lynn Chanin*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	Levine Center Portico
1:30-2:30pm	<b>Engaging Diversity in Israel with Dr. Keren Fraiman</b> Israel is a dynamic, modern democratic nation that is home to many different and diverse groups. How do we elevate and engage with the diverse voices of Israel? Through arts and culture, we will engage with elements of diverse Israeli experiences, past and present and explore the possibilities of the arts for bringing authentic, and sometimes challenging, voices into our settings.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
1:30-3:30pm	<b>Meditative Watercolors with Judy Robkin*</b>	Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
	<b>Woodburning Seder Plate Creation with Rabbi Ayal Robkin*</b>	
1:30-4:00pm	<b>Climbing*</b>	Alpine Tower
	<b>Open Boating</b>	Agam (Lake)

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
1:30-4:00pm	<b>Open Family Art</b> Come and go as you enjoy art projects for the whole family!	Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
2:45-3:45pm	<b>The World is Built on Lovingkindness: Encountering the World of Rabbi Chaim Friedlander with Rabbi Shai Held</b> Some of the greatest and most influential thinkers of the Musar movement penned extended meditations on <i>hesed</i> and its place in Jewish ethics, theology and spirituality. Perhaps the two most famous, at least outside of Haredi circles, are those by Rabbi Eliyahu Dessler and Rav Yitzhak Hutner. In this session, we'll engage the work of a third prominent Musar master, Rabbi Chaim Friedlander (1923-1986), who served as the <i>mashgiah</i> (spiritual director) at the renowned Ponovezh yeshiva and was a prolific and beautiful writer about <i>middot</i> (virtue) and <i>avodat Hashem</i> (serving God). We'll read and discuss select passages from his great work, <i>Siftei Hayyim</i> .	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Passover Sing-A-long with Eliana Light</b> All ages are welcome to this pre-seder song extravaganza! We'll sing and dance to Passover favorites old and new as we get into the spirit of the holiday.	Margam (Lakeside Pavilion)
	<b>Slow Flow with Navit Robkin*</b> Some yoga experience recommended.	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
4:00-5:00pm	<b>Exploring Hadar's Pesach Reader with Rabbi Avi Killip</b> Prepare for Seder by becoming more familiar with Hadar's annual Pesach Reader. This reader includes games, tools, and insight from Hadar faculty and promises to add meaning to your Passover Experience.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Stroll Ramah Darom (Easy)</b> Enjoy a tour of our campus.	Meet at Welcome Center
5:00-5:45pm	<b>Grab &amp; Go Light Meal</b>	Levine Center Portico
6:00-7:30pm	<b>Rest &amp; Seder Prep</b>	Accommodations
6:30-7:15pm	<b>Mincha, Candle Lighting &amp; Maariv</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
6:40-7:40pm	<b>Candle Lighting Available</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
7:00-11:00pm	<b>Pack-out Seder</b> Your "Seder-in-a-box" will be delivered to your accommodations by 7:00pm.	Accommodations
7:45-11:00pm	<b>Seder for the Mind, Heart &amp; Stomach with Rabbi David Helfand</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
	<b>Semi-Private Seder</b> <i>Shulchan Orech</i> must be served by 10:45pm.	
	<b>The Light Lab Seder with Eliana Light</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)

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# THURSDAY, APRIL 6

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
8:00-9:00am	<b>Butts &amp; Guts with Lynn Chanin*</b>	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Daily Dose of Talmud with Rabbi Aaron Alexander*</b>	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
9:30am-12:00pm	<b>Traditional Egalitarian Shabbat &amp; Yom Tov Service</b>	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
10:00-10:45am	<b>Minyan Shelanu: Musical Family Services with Ori Salzberg*</b>	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Mindful Musical Morning with Eliana Light</b> Through prayer and music, we will lift our spirits. Through movement, we will ground our bodies. Through intention, we will seek new wisdom. Through silence, we will listen to ourselves and each other. Acoustic instruments will be used during this service.	
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
1:30-1:45pm	<b>Youth Program Drop off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
1:45-2:45pm	<b>Let Them Play: Sports as the Battleground for LGBTQ+ Equity with Maharat Rori Picker Neiss</b> In 2023, there are over 400 bills across the country specifically targeting the LGBTQ+ community, most of which impact trans youth. The vast majority of these bills are about sports in schools. Why has youth sports become the front lines for anti-trans legislation? And what role does the Jewish community play in these fights? Join us as we look at these bills to better understand the future of LGBTQ+ equity in the United States.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>Teambuilding &amp; Ground Games with Rabbi Ashira Konigsburg &amp; Rabbi Tim Bernard*</b>	Alpine Tower
	<b>Mah Jongg 101 &amp; Game Hour</b>	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
3:00-4:00pm	<b>Why is the Prophet So Distraught? Four Readings of the Book of Jonah with Rabbi Shai Held</b> We hear about Jonah's refusal of God's call in the first chapters of the book that bears his name, but we hear about his reasons for resisting only in the final chapter—and even then the meaning of his words remains extremely controversial. Through exploring <i>midrashim</i> and modern academic scholars, we'll encounter four different ways of understanding the book of Jonah and its key message, and we'll ask about the ethical, spiritual and theological implications of each view. Crucially, we'll also attempt to understand Jonah through its connections and references to other biblical texts.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>Jewish Parenting &amp; Passover with Kelly Cohen</b> Join Kelly Cohen for an interactive conversation about Jewish parenting at large (the awesome, the unique and the challenging) and see where Passover fits into all of this. There is a lot to glean about the power of Passover and how parents use this holiday in particular for Jewish engagement.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
	<b>Body Sculpt with Lynn Chanin*</b>	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)

## THURSDAY, APRIL 6

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
4:15-5:15pm	<b>The Mizrahi Experience: A Simple Girl, A Short Story by Ayelet Tsabari with Dr. Keren Fraiman</b> Through a close reading of <i>A Simple Girl</i> , we will have an intimate look at the Mizrahi experience through the work of contemporary <i>Mizrahi</i> author Ayelet Tsabari.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Wine Tasting with Chef Brad Semon</b> Join our guest chef, Brad Semon, for an overview of how to taste wine most effectively, exploring the pinot noir varietal from three different wineries. In this tasting experience, you will learn to experience the look, smell, and taste of each unique wine, as well as how to draw lasting conclusions about each flavor profile.	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
	<b>Vinyasa Yoga for Hips &amp; Hamstrings (Intermediate) with Navit Robkin*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
4:45-5:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
5:00-5:45pm	<b>Grab &amp; Go Light Meal</b>	Levine Center Portico
6:00-7:30pm	<b>Rest &amp; Seder Prep</b>	Accommodations
6:30-7:15pm	<b>Mincha &amp; Maariv</b> See Rabbi Josh Heller if you are interested in attending a later <i>Maariv</i> at 8:20pm.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
7:00-11:00pm	<b>Pack-out Seder</b> Your "Seder-in-a-box" will be delivered to your accommodations by 7:00pm.	Accommodations
7:45-11:00pm	<b>Seder for the Mind, Heart &amp; Stomach with Rabbi Josh Heller</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
	<b>Seder for Your Soul with Naomi Less &amp; Rabbi Menachem Creditor</b>	
	<b>Semi-Private Seder</b> Please let us know if you plan to start your seder later than 7:45pm. <i>Shulchan Orech</i> must be served by 10:45pm.	
8:37-9:15pm	<b>Candle Lighting Available</b>	

## FRIDAY, APRIL 7

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
8:00-9:00am	<b>Yoga Flow with Lynn Chanin*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Daily Dose of Talmud with Rabbi Aaron Alexander*</b>	Tent next to Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
9:30am-12:00pm	<b>Traditional Egalitarian Yom Tov Service</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
10:00-10:45am	<b>Family Shacharit with Drew Cohen</b> Get ready to wake up your voice and body and get in the right mindset for a great day. We'll sing and dance and use the traditional liturgy as a jumping off point to prepare for the day. Children of all ages (and at heart) welcome! <i>Acoustic instruments will be used during this service.</i>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)

# FRIDAY, APRIL 7

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Passover Spiritual Space with Naomi Less</b> "Woke Up Today Simply to Say Thanks, Wow!, Oops. Please." Meet the Morning with a ritual frame utilized by Naomi's community Lab/Shul. Through gratitude, awe, introspection, music, stretching and silence, experience how you might set your intention for the day.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
1:30-1:45pm	<b>Youth Program Drop Off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
1:45-2:45pm	<b>Blessings, Poetry &amp; Breathing Deeply with Rabbi Avi Killip</b> We have been gifted with blessings as a tool to help us understand and elevate the good and the bad in our lives, and to help us face the future with hope and promise. Through studying ancient blessings and modern poetry we will ask how Judaism can be a vessel for holding the extreme beauty and extreme pain of this world. All are welcome—everything will be in English.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>What's Next for Ramah Darom with CEO Wally Levitt</b> A lot is happening at Ramah Darom! Join CEO, Wally Levitt, to hear all about the exciting plans for Ramah Darom's future as we continue to expand our commitment to creating exceptional immersive Jewish experiences.	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
3:00-4:00pm	<b>Written in a Flash, Influence for Generations: Israel's Declaration of Independence with Rabbi Daniel Gordis</b> Learn all about how Israel's Declaration of Independence came to be written, what it says and what it does not say, and why it has more to do with the first days of Passover than you might think! Don't miss out on three follow up sessions that will take a deeper dive into the text itself. See schedule for further details.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>The Story of <i>The Story of Passover</i>, a 1950's Jewish Educational Experiment with Russel Neiss</b> Join us for the first "public performance" in more than half a century of <i>The Story of Passover</i> , an award winning Jewish educational filmstrip which is part of a recently rediscovered lost cache produced by the NY Bureau of Jewish Education in the 1950's. We'll view the slides and table read the script together as we see how much the field of Jewish engagement & education has (and hasn't) changed over the last 70 years.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
	<b>North Georgia Mountain Hiking (Intermediate) with Rabbi Ashira Konigsburg &amp; Rabbi Tim Bernard*</b>	Meet at Levine Center Portico
4:15-5:15pm	<b>The Contemporary Catholic Church &amp; the Jews: What Has Changed &amp; What Hasn't? with Rabbi Shai Held</b> In the wake of the Shoah, the Catholic Church has engaged in a deep process of repentance for the way it traditionally spoke about and treated Jews. As we'll see through a close reading of parts of both <i>Nostra Aetate</i> , from the Second Vatican Council, and the recent declaration "The Gifts and Calling of God Are Irrevocable," a great deal has changed—and yet much remains ambiguous, problematic, and unresolved. In this session, we'll enter into Catholicism's struggle to develop an affirmative view of Judaism and discuss how Jews have responded and how we should respond going forward.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)

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## FRIDAY, APRIL 7

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
4:15-5:15pm	<b>The Legacy of Miriam convened by Rabbi Penina Alexander &amp; Sara Shapiro-Plevan</b> A gathering for women working in the Jewish communal world. Join together to share stories and wisdom, frustrations and successes in how to harness our power in a work environment that often feels unsustainable.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
	<b>Butts &amp; Guts with Lynn Chanin*</b>	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
4:45-5:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
5:00-5:45pm	<b>Pre-Shabbat Snack for Kids</b> In addition to food, games will be available on the <i>Kikar</i> (Activity Field) so kids can also get out some extra energy!	Levine Center Portico
6:00-7:15pm	<b>Rest &amp; Shabbat Prep</b>	Accommodations
6:20-6:45pm	<b>Mincha, D'var Torah &amp; Candle Lighting</b>	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
6:30-7:15pm	<b>Tot Shabbat with Eliana Light</b>	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
6:40-7:40pm	<b>Candle Lighting Available</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
6:45-7:15pm	<b>Kabbalat Shabbat &amp; Maariv</b>	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
7:30-9:00pm	<b>Shabbat Dinner</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
9:00-10:00pm	<b>A Conversation on Torah &amp; Technology with Rabbi Menachem Creditor &amp; Russel Neiss moderated by Ashira Konigsburg</b> Some of the greatest innovations and tensions in modern Judaism exist in the fusion of traditional text and today's technology. Some have been enthusiastically adopted and others come with contention. This conversation with <i>AI Torah Commentary</i> creator Rabbi Menachem Creditor and Torah Technologist Russel Neiss will talk through what innovations are coming up and where tensions lie.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
9:30-10:45pm	<b>Tisch &amp; Game Night</b> Join in for singing, stories and more. If singing isn't your jam, we'll have your favorite games to play with friends and family.	Mountainside <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)

## SATURDAY, APRIL 8

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Daily Dose of Talmud with Rabbi Aaron Alexander*</b>	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
9:30-9:45am	<b>Youth Program Drop off</b> The Shabbat morning youth program will include age-appropriate <i>Tefillah</i> . Parents are welcome to join!	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
9:30am-12:15pm	<b>Traditional Egalitarian Shabbat &amp; Yom Tov Service</b>	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)

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# SATURDAY, APRIL 8

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
10:00-11:00am	<b>Storahelling with Naomi Less</b> Engage in an interactive Torah experience through live, interpretive theatrical translation, chanting and music. Perfect for tweens, teens and adults! Please note children will not be turned away, but the program is designed for a more mature audience.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Reflective Shabbat Yoga with Navit Robkin</b> Incorporate Vinyasa techniques in a moving meditation to foster strength and fluidity in the body and mind. This class will involve continuous full-body movement and a variety of poses.	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
1:30-1:45pm	<b>Youth Program Drop Off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
1:45-2:45pm	<b>Poetry of Shabbat with Rabbi Avi Killip</b> Through the beauty of ancient and modern poetry, we will slow down and reconnect as we savor Shabbat together.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>Grandparenting Conversation for ALL Grandparents with Judy Robkin</b> Distance, electronics, schedules and more can make communication with your grandchildren difficult, if not impossible. In this session, we will discuss innovative methods for not only reaching your grandkids, but also creating memories to last a lifetime. Using trips, letters, art music, cooking, nature and more, we will explore ways to enhance your connections.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
3:00-4:30pm	<b>#MeToo in Jewish Spaces: A Conversation with Neshama Carlebach</b> Join Rachel Herman and Neshama Carlebach for an important, open and honest conversation. Neshama is the daughter of Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach, a charismatic rabbi whose music, teaching and personal conduct transcended countless boundaries, posing questions Neshama has been exploring with communities around the world. This conversation comes at this moment because of the effects of the allegations against her father in the years since the #MeToo movement began in 2017. Although he has been gone for over 28 years, and even though the allegations against him were made posthumously, Neshama became the target of aggression, judgment and alienation that affected her personally and professionally. She has dedicated the next segment of her life's work toward facilitating healing. <i>Trigger warning: this discussion will include references to sexual abuse and/or violence which may be triggering.</i>	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>Navigating the Physical Space Between This World &amp; the Next: The Assumptions and Consequences of Transmigration in the Babylonian Talmud with Rabbi Aaron Alexander</b> Didn't get enough at your morning Daily Dose of Talmud? Join Rabbi Aaron Alexander for even more Talmud in this conversation and text study.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
	<b>Body Sculpt with Lynn Chanin*</b>	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
4:00-5:00pm	<b>Graze &amp; Go Shabbat Snack</b> Enjoy a special Shabbat snack curated and artistically displayed by our Executive Chef, Tzvi Weinreich.	Levine Center Portico
4:45-5:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details

# SATURDAY, APRIL 8

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
4:45-5:45pm	<b>Much Ado About Judicial Reform in Israel with Rabbi Daniel Gordis</b> The much ballyhooed Israeli Judicial Reform: What does it actually say, what does it actually change and what are the arguments for and against?	<i>Beit Knesset (Synagogue)</i>
	<b>My Beit HaMikdash Has a Starbucks with Eliana Leader</b> We spend a lot of time and energy in our liturgy praying and hoping for the <i>Beit HaMikdash</i> (the Jewish Temple) to be rebuilt, but what would that look like in today's day and age? In this session we will analyze the economy surrounding the 2nd Temple, then use that as a starting point to think about what Jerusalem with a 3rd Temple might really look like.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh (Library)</i>
	<b>Yin Yoga (All Levels) with Navit Robkin</b> This calming practice allows you to enjoy a series of calming, passive floor poses that you will hold a little longer to work into the neck, shoulders and lower body.	<i>Moadon (Multipurpose Room)</i>
5:00-5:45pm	<b>Family Peula (Activity): Passover Family Feud with Kelly Cohen</b> Come together to play this classic game. Do you think you know what the most common answer is when people are asked to name "something found under the sofa when cleaning for Passover"? If yes, this game is for you!	<i>Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)</i>
5:45-6:15pm	<b>Mincha</b>	<i>Beit Knesset (Synagogue)</i>
6:00-7:30pm	<b>Dinner</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
7:45-8:30pm	<b>PJ Library Passover Story Time with Wally Levitt &amp; Eliana Leader</b> Families with young children are invited to enjoy storytime. Pajama attire encouraged!	<i>Porch of Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
	<b>Do You Exist &amp; If Not, Then Who's Reading This? with Rabbi Ayal Robkin</b> How understanding how your brain experiences the self provides insight into the Jewish textual tradition of how to change.	<i>Beit Knesset (Synagogue)</i>
8:40-8:50pm	<b>Maariv</b>	
8:50-9:45pm	<b>Havdallah &amp; Sacred Singing Circle with Eliana Light</b> When we join our voices together, holiness happens. Through singing niggunim old and new, we will attempt to build presence and open ourselves to love. No singing experience necessary.	<i>Mountainside Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
9:15-11:00pm	<b>American Jewish Experience Film Series: <i>The Frisco Kid</i> (PG)</b> Enjoy this 2-hour Gene Wilder and Harrison Ford classic about a Polish rabbi wandering through the Old West on his way to lead a synagogue in San Francisco.	<i>Moadon (Multipurpose Room)</i>
9:45-11:00pm	<b>Silent Disco Passover Party</b> It's time to celebrate with music, dance and joy!	<i>Lakeside Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>

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# SUNDAY, APRIL 9

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
3:00-8:00pm	<b>Welcome &amp; Check-in</b>	Welcome Center
<b>TIME</b>	<b>EXCURSION</b>	
9:00am-2:00pm	<b>Project Chimps</b>	
1:30-5:30pm	<b>North Georgia Waterfalls Tour</b>	
1:30-5:30pm	<b>Kids Only (Grades 3-6) Bavarian Mountain Mini Golf</b>	
7:45-8:45am	<b>Traditional Egalitarian Shacharit</b>	<i>Beit Knesset (Synagogue)</i>
8:00-9:00am	<b>Yoga Flow with Lynn Chanin*</b>	<i>Moadon (Multipurpose Room)</i>
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Daily Dose of Talmud with Rabbi Aaron Alexander*</b>	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
9:30-9:45am	<b>Youth Program Drop Off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
9:30am-12:00pm	<b>Open Boating</b>	<i>Agam (Lake)</i>
	<b>Headshots with Wendy Heller*</b>	Meet on Porch of <i>Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
9:45-10:45am	<b>When Religion Sues the State with Maharat Rori Picker Neiss &amp; Rabbi Aaron Alexander</b> In January 2023, Maharat Rori Picker Neiss joined together with thirteen other faith leaders from six faith communities across the state of Missouri to sue the state on the basis of Separation of Church and State. This case joins in with many others as our country grapples with questions of what it means to have freedom of religion and what it means to have freedom from religion, and when these conflict. Join for a discussion of this case and others as we explore the implications for what it means to be Jewish in America today.	<i>Beit Knesset (Synagogue)</i>
	<b>"O Shavuot Tree, O Shavuot Tree, Such Pleasure Do You Bring Me" with Russel Neiss</b> Sometimes during the winter holiday season, it's hard not to get envious of the delightful evergreens that grace our neighbors' homes and public places. But there once was an earlier widespread Ashkenazi Jewish custom to place "Shavuot Trees" in synagogues and homes in celebration of the holiday. Join us as we explore the history of this mostly now-forgotten tradition.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh (Library)</i>
9:45-11:45am	<b>Intro to Printmaking with Judy Robkin*</b>	<i>Omanut (Arts &amp; Crafts Center)</i>
	<b>Metal Piercing: Lovely Letters with Vivian Gold*</b>	
10:00am-12:00pm	<b>Urban Garage Music Workshop Rehearsals*</b>	Mountainside <i>Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>

# SUNDAY, APRIL 9

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Biblical Theology for a Time of Climate Crisis, Part 1: Humanity in God's Image with Rabbi Shai Held</b> Climate change poses a massive threat to God's creation. We human beings have wrought this crisis and, if a total disaster is to be averted, we will have to change our ways. How does the Bible understand the relationship between human beings and (the rest of) creation? In the first session of this series, we'll probe the biblical meaning(s) of being created in God's image and explore the controversial and much-maligned notion of "stewardship" found in Genesis 1.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>The Legacy of Paul Rovin ז"ר: An Art Tour of the Campus with Fred Levick</b> Paul Rovin ז"ר, who passed away in February, was a gifted woodworker and member of an extraordinary Omanut faculty at camp from 2003-2012. His presence at Ramah Darom lives on through the extraordinary works of art that he helped design, and were constructed by the campers he taught. Learn about these works and Ramah Darom's nationally-renowned art program in a leisurely walk of the campus.	Meet at Levine Center Portico
	<b>Butts &amp; Guts with Lynn Chanin*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
11:45am-12:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
1:30-1:45pm	<b>Youth Program Drop Off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
1:30-3:30pm	<b>Fabric Necklaces with Judy Robkin*</b>	Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
	<b>Metal Piercing: Lovely Letters with Vivan Gold*</b>	
	<b>Woodburning Experimentation with Rabbi Ayal Robkin*</b>	
1:30-6:00pm	<b>Adult Archery*</b>	Archery Range
	<b>Odyssey Course</b> Sign up for the high ropes course to test your limits and enjoy some teamwork up in the sky! Must be age 13+. Closed-toe shoes required.	Odyssey Course
	<b>Open Boating</b>	Agam (Lake)
1:45-2:45pm	<b>Ad Infinitum: Pesach &amp; Personal Responsibility with Rabbi Menachem Creditor</b> The arrival of Passover is typically accompanied by scrubbing counters, changing dishes and family recipes. These rituals are rich in meaning and often demanding of patience. Come explore Passover's lessons about the mandates and limits of personal responsibility.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Gardening with Amy Price*</b>	Ramah Garden
3:00-4:30pm	<b>Impossible Takes Longer: 75 Years After Its Creation, Has Israel Fulfilled Its Founders' Dreams? with Rabbi Daniel Gordis</b> Rabbi Daniel Gordis' new book, <i>Impossible Takes Longer</i> , examines why Israel was created and if it has been a success. Spend time learning with Rabbi Gordis and hear why he says "The State they made is an extraordinary success and maddening disappointment, a story of both unprecedented human triumph and great suffering."	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Slow Flow &amp; Yoga Meditation with Navit Robkin*</b> Some yoga experience recommended.	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)

# SUNDAY, APRIL 9

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
3:45-5:45pm	<b>Magical Spinning Book with Judy Robkin*</b>	Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
	<b>Metal Piercing: Lovely Letters with Vivan Gold*</b>	
	<b>Woodburning Seder Plate Creation with Rabbi Ayal Robkin*</b>	
4:45-5:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
4:45-5:45pm	<b>Exploring Values in Tension with Dr. Keren Fraiman</b> Often when we disagree with others, we may assume that we do not have shared values. This session will explore our own values, those we share with others, the complexities in their relationships and interactions. Recognizing the possibility of shared values, may allow us to better understand those whose opinions we do not share and offers a portal into a conversation, which extends beyond the immediate disagreement, into finding common ground and building bridges, despite differences.	Beit Kneset (Synagogue)
	<b>Welcome to New Guests with Ramah Darom CEO Wally Levitt</b> All guests are welcome to enjoy a Mocktail & Cocktail Hour as we welcome our 2 <sup>nd</sup> half guests to the Ramah Darom Passover community.	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
5:00-5:45pm	<b>Family Peula (Activity): Annual Escape the Room–Passover Edition with Rabbi Penina Alexander</b> Solve a series of riddles and puzzles to complete this fun game with a Passover twist.	Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)
6:00-7:30pm	<b>Dinner</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
7:30-8:00pm	<b>Mincha &amp; Maariv</b>	Beit Kneset (Synagogue)
8:00-9:30pm	<b>An Evening of Music with Neshama Carlebach</b> Award-winning singer/songwriter Neshama Carlebach will perform for an evening of uplifting song.	Mountainside <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
8:00-10:00pm	<b>American Jewish Experience Film Series: Biloxi Blues (PG-13)</b> This military comedy-drama starring Matthew Broderick and Christopher Walken tells the story of a Jewish teenager and other young recruits as they go through boot camp during the Second World War in Biloxi, Mississippi.	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
9:45-11:00pm	<b>Bonfire, Matzah S'mores &amp; Open Mic with Naomi Less</b> Share a song, read a poem, tell a joke or just nosh and raise a glass as Naomi curates an open mic experience. Sign up at the Concierge Desk. Bring musical instruments!	Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)

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# MONDAY, APRIL 10

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
<b>TIME</b>	<b>EXCURSION</b>	
8:45am-12:30pm	<b>Sunburst Stables: ATV Rides</b>	
8:45am-12:30pm	<b>Family Adventure Horseback Riding</b>	
8:45am-12:30pm or 1:30-5:30pm	<b>Zipline Tour</b>	
1:30-5:30pm	<b>Mountain Adventure Horseback Riding</b>	
7:00-7:45am	<b>Rise &amp; Shine Silent Disco with Eliana Light</b> Rise & Shine is a sacred silent disco morning mindful movement dance party to start the day with love & joy. We'll dance through the themes of the morning <i>tefillah</i> (prayer), feeling the wisdom of the liturgy in our bodies and feeling into freedom. All are welcome!	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
7:45-8:45am	<b>Traditional Egalitarian Shacharit</b>	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
8:00-9:00am	<b>Vinyasa Yoga for Pesach Digestion (Intermediate) with Navit Robkin*</b>	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i>
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Daily Dose of Talmud with Rabbi Aaron Alexander*</b>	Tent Next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
9:30-9:45am	<b>Youth Program Drop off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
9:30am-12:00pm	<b>Headshots with Wendy Heller*</b>	Porch of <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
	<b>Open Boating</b>	<i>Agam</i> (Lake)
9:45-10:45am	<b>Exile as a Metaphysical Reality with Rabbi Menachem Creditor</b> Since Abraham, Jews have been 'outsiders looking in.' Although many of us see Israel as 'home', most of us don't live there. But 'exile' can mean much more than just living in the Diaspora. What is home? Where are the margins? Is an exilic life inescapable? Is it a blessing?	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
9:45-11:45am	<b>Green Woodworking Demonstration with Luke Hundley</b> Learn all about the benefit of traditional construction methods from professional woodworker, Luke, as he starts with a log and demonstrates the steps needed to take as he crafts a small piece of furniture before your very eyes!	<i>Omanut</i> (Arts & Crafts Center)
	<b>Fabric Necklaces with Judy Robkin*</b>	
	<b>Open Door Pendants with Vivian Gold*</b>	
	<b>Woodburning Experimentation with Rabbi Ayal Robkin*</b>	
10:00am-12:00pm	<b>Urban Garage Music Workshop Rehearsals*</b>	Mountainside <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
10:00am-4:00pm	<b>Donate Your <i>Dam</i> (Blood) Drive*</b>	<i>Beit Am</i> (Covered Basketball Court)

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11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Biblical Theology for a Time of Climate Crisis, Part 2: The Cosmic Chorus (Psalm 148) with Rabbi Shai Held</b> Most psalms of praise give an expansive list of reasons for why God should be praised. But Psalm 148 is different—instead of focusing on <i>*why*</i> we praise God, it focuses on the sheer all-inclusiveness of <i>*who*</i> should praise God; the psalm imagines a veritable cosmic chorus singing God’s praises. In the second session of this series, through a close study of the psalm, we’ll explore what it would mean to see ourselves as part of a fellowship of praise with all creation, and ask whether and how this kind of image can help us respond to the climate emergency in which we find ourselves.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Eco-Spa with Amy Price</b> Come relax at the eco spa where you’ll make lip balm, body scrub and a cooling mist!	Levine Center Portico
	<b>Total Conditioning with Megan Moran</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
11:45am-12:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
1:30-1:45pm	<b>Youth Program Drop Off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
1:30-3:30pm	<b>Intro to Printmaking with Judy Robkin*</b>	Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
	<b>Open Door Pendants with Vivian Gold*</b>	
	<b>Intro to Woodturning Workshop with Luke Hundley*</b>	
1:30-6:00pm	<b>Adult Archery*</b>	Archery Range
	<b>Adult Climbing*</b>	Alpine Tower & Climbing Wall
	<b>Open Boating</b>	Agam (Lake)
1:45-2:45pm	<b>Honey, Thorns &amp; Winter with Rabbi Daniel Gordis</b> Together we will listen to two hugely popular Israeli songs and examine what they tell us about Israel’s psyche, its Jewish roots and the power of its culture.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Gardening with Amy Price*</b>	Ramah Garden
2:00-5:00pm	<b>Urban Garage Music Workshop Rehearsals*</b>	Mountainside <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
3:00-4:30pm	<b>By the Grace of God: In Memory of My Father, Murray Friedman ז”ר, with Rabbi Abe Friedman</b> The first week of <i>sefirat ha-omer</i> (counting the omer) is associated with the attribute of <b>חסד</b> ( <i>chesed</i> )—often translated as “kindness” or “love.” But what does <b>חסד</b> actually look like in the world, and what does it ask of us?	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>8-bit Judaism with Russel Neiss</b> The 1980s brought us the golden age of Jewish educational video games with over 150 unique titles created. In this interactive session, we’ll explore their history and play a number of them (including one created by the Atlanta Jewish Federation) and see what we can learn from them today.	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
	<b>Lakeside Slow Flow &amp; Yoga Meditation with Navit Robkin*</b> Some yoga experience recommended.	Margam (Lakeside Pavilion)

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3:45-5:45pm	<b>Magical Spinning Book with Judy Robkin*</b>	<i>Omanut</i> (Arts & Crafts Center)
	<b>Open Door Pendants with Vivian Gold*</b>	
	<b>Introduction to Woodturning Workshop with Luke Hundley*</b>	
4:45-5:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
4:45-5:45pm	<b>Birthing Worlds: Israeli Women's <i>Midrashim</i> of Birth &amp; Miscarriage with Rabbi Avi Killip</b> A collection of <i>midrashim</i> has emerged in the last decade written by Israeli women of today. This session will explore <i>midrashim</i> from this collection about birth and miscarriage that draw from women's lived experiences while being deeply rooted in the images and language of the Torah and classical <i>midrash</i> . No Hebrew background is needed.	<i>Beit Kneset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>The Surprising Economics of Immigration with Shai Robkin</b> Immigration is a fraught and misunderstood topic in America's social discourse, with much of what we believe based largely on myth. How different were the experiences of immigrants from the 19th and early 20th centuries to those of immigrants today? How different are the children of immigrants from countries like El Salvador, Mexico and Guatemala coming to the US today from those who arrived on our shores from Great Britain, Norway and Eastern Europe a 100-150 years ago? How do immigrants and their children compare educationally, professionally and economically with US born residents? We'll dig into these questions along with many others and discuss the policy implications of what we find.	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
5:00-5:45pm	<b>Family Peula (Activity): Wilderness Living 101; Shelter Building with Micah Segal-Miller</b> Our ancestors traveled for 40 years through the wilderness when they left Egypt. Jump into some wilderness training and see how you would have fared.	<i>Mirpeset Tefillah</i> (Mountainside Pavilion)
6:00-7:30pm	<b>Dinner</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
7:30-8:00pm	<b>Mincha &amp; Maariv</b>	<i>Beit Kneset</i> (Synagogue)
8:00-9:00pm	<b>Monday Evening Showcase with Urban Garage</b>	Mountainside <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
9:00-11:30pm	<b>American Jewish Experience Film Series: <i>The Fabelmans</i></b> View Steven Spielberg's latest film; a semi-autobiographical flick loosely based on his early adolescence and first years as a filmmaker.	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
9:15-10:30pm	<b>Trivia Night with Hosts Rachel Kaplan &amp; Greg Lawrence</b> Don't end your evening just yet! Join our hilarious and incredible trivia experts to test your wits and useless knowledge in this friendly competition that may end in dancing, juggling or an arm wrestling match if we're lucky.	Lakeside <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)

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# TUESDAY, APRIL 11

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
<b>TIME</b>	<b>EXCURSION</b>	
8:00am-3:00pm	<b>Rabun Bald Adventure: Difficult Level Hike</b>	
9:30am-1:00pm	<b>Teen Field Trip: Axe Throwing &amp; More</b>	
10:30am-1:00pm	<b>Andy's Trout Farm &amp; Gem Mining</b>	
7:45-8:45am	<b>Traditional Egalitarian Shacharit</b>	<i>Beit Kneset (Synagogue)</i>
8:00-9:00am	<b>Hatha Flow Yoga (Moderate) with Megan Moran*</b>	<i>Moadon (Multipurpose Room)</i>
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Deep Dive Day 1: Israeli Declaration of Independence with Rabbi Daniel Gordis</b>	Tent Next to <i>Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
9:30-9:45am	<b>Youth Program Drop Off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
9:30am-12:00pm	<b>Open Boating</b>	<i>Agam (Lake)</i>
9:45-10:45am	<b>The Death of Miriam: A Taste of Israeli Women's Midrash with Rabbi Avi Killip</b> Tamar Biala, the editor of the modern <i>midrashic</i> work, Dirshuni, has written a breathtakingly beautiful <i>midrash</i> about the death of Miriam that functions as a commentary on the Torah, Israeli society, feminism, and so much more. No Hebrew background is needed.	<i>Beit Kneset (Synagogue)</i>
	<b>Mindful Bullet Journaling with Wendy Heller</b> Bullet Journaling is an approach to mindfulness that also supports increased productivity. This class will review common approaches to bullet journaling, including common hand-letter techniques and daily, weekly and monthly layouts.	Tent Next to <i>Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)</i>
9:45-11:45am	<b>Watercolor a Ramah Landscape with Judy Robkin*</b>	<i>Omanut (Arts &amp; Crafts Center)</i>
	<b>Copper, Nickel &amp; Brass Jewelry Work with Vivian Gold*</b>	
	<b>Mezuzah Woodburning with Rabbi Ayal Robkin*</b> Burn your own design into a mezuzah to personalize this meaningful ritual object.	
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Biblical Theology for a Time of Climate Crisis, Part 3: God's Care for a Much-More-Than-Human World (Psalm 104) with Rabbi Shai Held</b> Psalm 104 is an impassioned celebration of both God and the world, and of the world as God's gift to all creatures. Strikingly, the psalmist declares that all creatures, both human and non-human, share a profound dependence on God. Studying the psalm raises a series of fascinating questions, not least about the respective places of human beings and the rest of creation in God's world. In the third and final session of this series, we will read and analyze the psalm, and then discuss its implications for a Jewish theology of humanity's place in the natural world.	<i>Beit Kneset (Synagogue)</i>

# TUESDAY, APRIL 11

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Bee Keeping 101 with Amy Price</b> Did you know that it takes about 550 bees to make 1 pound of honey? Come learn about bees and enjoy a honey tasting!	Tent Next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
	<b>Tie-Dye Creations for Adults</b> Want to learn how to get the perfect spiral? Interested in a bullseye pattern? Get in the camp spirit by learning all the tricks to creating a colorful and wearable work of art. Bring anything white and made of cotton: t-shirts, socks, pillow cases and more!	Picnic Benches under <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
11:45am-12:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
1:30-1:45pm	<b>Youth Program Drop Off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
1:30-3:30pm	<b>Meditative Watercolors with Judy Robkin*</b>	<i>Omanut</i> (Arts & Crafts Center)
	<b>Copper, Nickel &amp; Brass Jewelry Work with Vivian Gold*</b>	
1:30-5:00pm	<b>Adult Archery*</b>	Archery Range
	<b>Adult Climbing*</b>	Alpine Tower & Climbing Wall
	<b>Open Boating</b>	<i>Agam</i> (Lake)
1:45-2:45pm	<b>But My Ineffable Name I Did Not Make Known with Maharat Rori Picker Neiss</b> When God appears to Moses, God tells Moses that God is the same God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, but Moses is the only one to know God by this new name. Join us for a text study of these verses and a striking <i>Midrash</i> as we attempt to understand what this name is, what it signifies, and what, perhaps, we might be called upon by God to do in order to truly "know" God.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>Tie-Dye Creations for Adults</b> Missed it earlier in the day? Here is your second chance.	Picnic Benches under <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
3:00-4:30pm	<b>What's Next for Ramah Darom with CEO Wally Levitt</b> A lot is happening at Ramah Darom! Join CEO, Wally Levitt, to hear all about the exciting plans for Ramah Darom's future as we continue to expand our commitment to creating exceptional immersive Jewish experiences.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>50 Years After Heschel with Rabbi Menachem Creditor</b> Abraham Joshua Heschel (1907-1972), rabbi, philosopher and social activist, stood in solidarity with Soviet Jewry, marched with Martin Luther King Jr. from Selma to Montgomery in 1965 for civil rights, and was the most visible Jewish voice in the anti-Vietnam War movement. Through prolific and passionate writing, teaching and activism, he changed the face of American Judaism forever. In honor of the 50th anniversary since Heschel's passing, Rabbi Creditor will present an exploration of selected writings by Heschel.	Tent Next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
	<b>Slow Flow &amp; Yoga Meditation with Navit Robkin*</b> Some yoga experience recommended.	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
4:45-5:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details

## TUESDAY, APRIL 11

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
4:45-5:45pm	<b>The Phish Haggadah with Josh Fleet</b> Join Phish Talmud explorer and <i>Geulah Papyrus</i> author Josh Fleet for a journey through a creative hagaddah. Unlike the Torah scroll, which carries the exact same text across time and continents and denominations, the haggadah has a unique capacity to expand exponentially. The <i>Geulah Papyrus</i> , an expansive Phish-filled text about redemption from the narrowest of places, is a unique haggadah from within the framework of a Jewish Phishhead's wildest mid-show revelation.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>Pickleball 101</b> Learn how to play this fun sport that involves elements from tennis, badminton and ping-pong	Tennis Court
5:00-5:45pm	<b>Pre-Yom Tov Snack for Kids</b> In addition to food, games will be available on the <i>Kikar</i> (Activity Field) so kids can also get out some extra energy!	Levine Center Portico
5:45-6:30pm	<b>Rest &amp; Prep for Yom Tov</b>	Accommodations
6:30-7:30pm	<b>Mincha, Candle Lighting, D'var Torah &amp; Maariv</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
6:45-7:30pm	<b>Candle Lighting Available</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
7:30-9:00pm	<b>Yom Tov Dinner</b>	
9:00-10:00pm	<b>From Shark Attacks to Space Lasers: Combating &amp; Addressing Antisemitism with Maharat Rori Picker Neiss &amp; Dr. Keren Fraiman</b> With antisemitism running at historically high levels, Jewish leaders are having to navigate a treacherous minefield when it comes to community relations, especially in the age of social media. This session will combine academic study and real world experiences as we explore questions and nuanced approaches for addressing the current moment.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
9:30-10:30pm	<b>The Annual Competitive Bingo Game</b> This is not your run-of-the-mill bingo game. Expect twists and turns as you play this classic game. Prizes will be awarded!	Mountainside Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Deep Dive Day 2: Israeli Declaration of Independence with Rabbi Daniel Gordis</b>	Tent Next to Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
9:30am-12:00pm	<b>Traditional Egalitarian Yom Tov Service</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
10:00-10:45am	<b>Minyan Shelanu: Musical Family Services with Ori Salzberg*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)

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# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Passover Spiritual Walk &amp; Pause with Naomi Less</b> Together we will take a leisurely walk, pausing along the way to open your awareness and intention through nature and ritual. <i>Acoustic instruments will be used during this service.</i>	Meet at Levine Center Portico
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
1:30-1:45pm	<b>Youth Program Drop Off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
1:45-2:45pm	<b>A God Who Knows Women: Two Approaches to Feminist Torah with Rabbi Avi Killip</b> For generations, women's relationship with God has been mediated through texts written almost entirely by men. A collection of <i>midrashim</i> has emerged in the last decade written by Israeli women of today. We will explore <i>midrashim</i> which offers two different answers to the question: where do women find revelation?	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>Geometric Zen Design with Dori Parker</b> Join Dori in an immersive creative experience about impermanence. Arrange geometric patterns using intentionality around the holiday and our time at Ramah Darom as inspiration. As the patterns unfold we will creatively interpret their meanings before dismantling the piece of art we make together.	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
	<b>Teambuilding &amp; Ground Games with Rabbi Ashira Konigsburg &amp; Rabbi Tim Bernard*</b>	Alpine Tower
3:00-4:30pm	<b>Are Jews the Chosen People &amp; What Does That Mean? with Rabbi Shai Held</b> The idea that Jews are God's chosen people is foundational to traditional Jewish thought, yet few ideas have been more contested, more controversial and more widely misunderstood than this one. In this session (lecture followed by discussion), we'll probe some of the meanings of the chosenness idea, exploring such questions as whether there is something unique about Jews that "earns" them their special status, what it means to imagine God as Israel's lover or parent, and the idea of chosenness requires of the Jewish people as we make our way through the world. Throughout we'll consider modern critiques of chosenness as well as possible responses.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>The Magic of Shabbat &amp; Holidays in a "Camp" Setting with Rachel Herman</b> Let's talk about what makes being at camp for Shabbat or a holiday so special. Can we re-create the magic at home? Should we even try? Using text and conversation this session will explore the unique experiences that Jewish retreats and summer camp offer when it comes to these days.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
	<b>Wine Tasting with Eliana Leader &amp; Josh Fleet</b> The terms "sweet wine" or "dessert wine" can evoke Manischweitz-like, syrupy, low-production value wine. However, there are some upscale sweet wines available on the kosher market filled with nuance and pleasing to the palate. Join Eliana Leader and former winery professional and winemaking hobbyist Josh Fleet for a search for your new favorite sweet wine or digestif.	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
4:45-5:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details

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TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
4:45-5:45pm	<b>Humility is the Key to Happiness with Rabbi Ayal Robkin</b> Years before the social psychologist Martin Seligman came up with the Happiness equation C + S + V, Rav Kook made the claim that it is actually humility that serves as the underpinning for all happiness. In this session, we will examine his claim through the lens of both social psychology as well as other Rabbinic sources.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
	<b>The Parsha Mocktails &amp; Cocktails Project with Ayala Wasser</b> Ramah Darom's Assistant Camp Director has been working on a project like no other! Ayala has been creating Parsha-inspired mocktails and cocktails throughout the year and writing <i>divrei Torah</i> to pair with each creation. Join Ayala to hear more about the project and enjoy the Parsha Mocktails & Cocktails Passover drink and <i>d'var Torah</i> .	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
	<b>Power Flow (Intermediate) with Navit Robkin*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
5:00-5:45pm	<b>Pre-Yom Tov Snack for Kids</b> In addition to food, games will be available on the <i>Kikar</i> (Activity Field) so kids can also get out some extra energy!	Levine Center Portico
5:45-6:30pm	<b>Rest &amp; Prep for Yom Tov</b>	Accommodations
6:30-7:00pm	<b>Mincha &amp; Maariv</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
7:15-8:30pm	<b>Yom Tov Dinner</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
8:45-9:45pm	<b>In the Face of Suffering: How Should We Respond? With Rabbi Shai Held &amp; Rabbi Avi Killip</b> How do we respond to the experience of suffering—in our own lives, in the lives of people we love, and in the world more generally? In this day and age, is there a place for theodicy (trying to justify or at least make sense, of God)? What's the role of compassion and care? Come join us for a free-wheeling, open-hearted conversation about some of life's most difficult—and urgent—questions.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
8:50-9:15pm	<b>Candle Lighting Available</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
9:00-10:15pm	<b>Chopped—Charoset Edition</b> Who can make the best charoset even with a surprise ingredient? Find out at this fun cooking experiment. Perfect for all ages.	Mountainside <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)

## THURSDAY, APRIL 13

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
8:00-9:00am	<b>Total Conditioning with Megan Moran*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
8:00-9:30am	<b>Breakfast</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
8:30-9:30am	<b>Health Clinic Open</b>	Mini Marp
9:00-9:30am	<b>Deep Dive Day 3: Israeli Declaration of Independence with Rabbi Daniel Gordis</b>	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
9:15am-12:15pm	<b>Traditional Egalitarian Shabbat &amp; Yom Tov Service</b> Yizkor is at 10:45am.	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
10:00-10:45am	<b>Minyan Shelanu: Musical Family Services with Ori Salzberg*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Breath Work &amp; Torah Yoga with Rachel Kaplan</b> This combination of chi gung, Jewish meditation and Torah yoga will energize and prepare you to guard and uphold our ancestral values throughout the day. Mats provided.	

# THURSDAY, APRIL 13

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
12:00-1:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
1:30-1:45pm	<b>Youth Program Drop off</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
1:45-2:45pm	<b>Imagining a Jewish State Then &amp; Now with Dr. Keren Fraiman</b> Using classic and contemporary texts, we will explore the diverse ideas and visions upon which the State of Israel was founded. These very same questions, values and understandings have continued to animate important conversations in Israel today.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>The Limits of Rational Thinking (Or a Rational Approach to Mystical Thought) with Rabbi Ayal Robkin</b> This class will examine the preface to the Slonimer Rebbe's <i>Netivot Shalom</i> through the lens of Rabbi Heschel's critiques of modern religion and Behavioral Economics.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)
	<b>Tasty Matzah with Jeff Weener</b> It is our last day of matzah! Get creative with your matzah toppings using chocolate, strawberries and more in this fun and tasty session.	Tent next to <i>Chadar Ochel</i> (Dining Hall)
3:00-4:30pm	<b>Who Has Not Forgotten His Hesed: Doing Theology &amp; Ethics with the Book of Ruth with Rabbi Shai Held</b> The Book of Ruth is extraordinarily rich and arguably also somewhat elusive. Scholars tend to agree that the text has a powerful theological vision it wants to express, but they're divided about just what that vision is. They see the book as conveying crucial lessons about what it means to live with God, but again there is controversy over precisely what those lessons are. In this session we'll do a deep dive into some of the most fundamental, controversial, ethical and theological questions that this much-loved book lays before us.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>Yizkor Spiritual Gathering with Naomi Less</b> Passover invites us to journey to a land of the past, tending to the memories of those we've lost and sorely miss around our Pesach tables. Join Naomi for a memory circle, with poetry, music and small-circle sharing. Naomi will recite <i>El Maleh</i> (the memorial prayer) and we will say Mourners' <i>Kaddish</i> .	<i>Moadon</i> (Multipurpose Room)
	<b>North Georgia Mountain Hiking (Intermediate) with Rabbi Ashira Konigsburg &amp; Rabbi Tim Bernard*</b>	Meet at Levine Center Portico
4:45-5:00pm	<b>Youth Program Pickup</b>	See Youth Program Booklet for Details
4:45-5:45pm	<b>Stories That Define Us with Rabbi Menachem Creditor</b> Some stories are more than stories; they are sacred. These kinds of narratives speak to us, persuade us and even define us. The Jewish literary tradition is rich with tales and legends that can evoke an emotional response and instill a sense of order during the chaotic moments people experience. In short, sacred stories help us feel there is sense when there seems to be none. In this series, we'll explore core texts from biblical and rabbinic traditions that have shaped Jewish identity and tradition throughout the generations.	<i>Beit Knesset</i> (Synagogue)
	<b>From Rest to Relief to Regret: A Study of Noah &amp; the Flood with Maharat Rori Picker Neiss</b> Noah is given his name because he will provide us relief...but Noah's name means rest, not relief. And does Noah even provide relief? The one time the word appears in our story is in reference to God and then it is not translated as relief, but regret. Together we will explore the intersection of rest, relief and regret and what the Torah is trying to teach us through these words.	<i>Mercaz Aryeh</i> (Library)

## THURSDAY, APRIL 13

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
4:45-5:45pm	<b>Power Flow Yoga with Navit Robkin*</b>	Moadon (Multipurpose Room)
5:30-6:00pm	<b>Mincha</b>	Beit Knesset (Synagogue)
6:00-7:30pm	<b>Dinner</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
7:45-8:30pm	<b>Sacred Singing Circle with Naomi Less &amp; Friends</b> When we join our voices together, holiness happens. Through singing niggunim old and new, we will attempt to build presence and open ourselves to love. No singing experience is necessary.	Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)
8:40-8:50pm	<b>Maariv</b>	
8:50-9:00pm	<b>Havdallah</b>	
9:00-10:00pm	<b>Farewell: Ramah Darom Style with Rikud (Dancing)</b>	
10:00pm	<b>Late Night Bus Departs for Airport</b> Place your luggage outside of your room or on your porch by 9:00pm.	Welcome Center

## FRIDAY, APRIL 14

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
5:00am	<b>Bus 1 Departs for Airport</b> Place your luggage outside of your room or on your porch by 4:00am. Packed breakfast will be available for you to pick up at the Welcome Center.	Welcome Center
6:00-7:00am	<b>Continental Breakfast To-Go Available</b>	Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)
7:00-10:00am	<b>Breakfast</b>	
8:00am	<b>Bus 2 Depart for Airport</b> Place your luggage outside of your room or on your porch by 7:00am.	Welcome Center
10:00am	<b>L'hitraot! See you next year!</b>	





## SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

### Art

All art programs require advance sign up.

#### **Copper, Nickel & Brass Jewelry Work with Vivian Gold**

Design and create a unique mixed metal pendant, charm or earrings. Learn to connect contrasting metals with the decorative yet functional technique of riveting. Metal work can be a noisy process so please be prepared to work in a loud environment. Ages 14 and up.

#### **Fabric Necklaces with Judy Robkin**

Accessorize your wardrobe! With the use of beautiful fabrics, learn to make a one-of-a-kind necklace that you will wear for years to come.

#### **Intro to Printmaking with Judy Robkin**

Printmaking allows the artist to make one or multiple unique designs. Learn how to draw and carve your own original design into soft linoleum, then print multiple copies to frame, enjoy and share.

#### **Magical Spinning Book with Judy Robkin**

Do you want to WOW your friends and family? Create a handmade accordion book whose pages actually spin.

#### **Meditative Watercolors with Judy Robkin**

Enjoy the Zen of watercolors as you paint a colorful art piece.

#### **Metal Piercing: Lovely Letters with Vivian Gold**

Letters from any alphabet are wonderful design elements. Learn the art of piercing metal and saw out your personally styled letter. Craft a pendant, earrings or dog tag that expresses your letter. Metal work can be a noisy process so please be prepared to work in a loud environment. Ages 14 and up.

#### **Open Door Pendant with Vivian Gold**

An open door is a potent symbol of welcome and opportunity. Create your own open door pendant using fundamental techniques of sawing, piercing and filing. Metal work can be a noisy process so please be prepared to work in a loud environment. Ages 14 and up.

#### **Watercolor Ramah Landscape with Judy Robkin**

Enjoy the beauty of Ramah Darom as we sit outside and paint the lake and mountains that define the camp.

#### **Introduction to Woodturning Workshop with Luke Hundley**

Become more familiar with this incredible process of creation. Learn all about woodturning, the necessary materials and tools.

#### **Woodburning Experimentation with Rabbi Ayal Robkin**

Pyrography is the art form of decorating wood with burn marks. Try something new in this relaxed pyrography session for beginners and explore all the possibilities of creating art by "writing with fire".

#### **Woodburning Seder Plate Creation with Rabbi Ayal Robkin**

Burn designs into your very own seder plate that you will be able to use for years to come.

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### Learning, Prayer & Spirituality

#### **Daily Dose of Talmud with Rabbi Aaron Alexander**

A daily *shiur* (class) offering insight into the rabbinic mind and its logical methodologies.

#### **Deep Dive: Israeli Declaration of Independence with Rabbi Daniel Gordis**

Over the course of three mornings take a closer look at this often-overlooked text. You can attend each session or just one!

#### **Minyan Shelanu with Ori Salzberg**

An immersive family *T'fillah* (prayer) experience. We will share the musicality and rhythm of prayer while exploring the tradition in Hebrew. Come with your kids and connect!

## General Activities

### Archery

Have fun on the archery range! Sessions available for sign up are adults only. Kids Camp has archery in their schedule.

### Climbing

Challenge yourself on our Alpine Tower and climbing wall or soar through the air on the giant swing. Please wear sturdy closed-toed shoes for climbing. Sessions available for sign up are adults only. Kids Camp has climbing in their schedule.

### Garden Time with Amy Price

It's time to plant the garden! Please come help get the garden ready for camp this summer. You'll also learn skills to bring back home. Come get your hands dirty while having a good time. Please wear close-toed shoes.

### Headshots with Wendy Heller

Sign up for a 10-minute photo session to have a headshot taken for free! Then Wendy will edit the photos and return them to you.

### Teambuilding & Ground Games with Rabbi Ashira Konigsburg & Rabbi Tim Bernard

Work with the group to solve challenges, strategize together and have fun! Perfect for adults and kids.

### Urban Garage Music Workshop Rehearsals

For those participating in this music intensive, don't miss your rehearsal times to prepare for the Monday Evening Showcase.

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## Yoga, Fitness & Hiking

*Mats provided for all yoga and fitness sessions.*

### Bodysculpt with Lynn Chanin

This class offers the best way to 'burn better.' Even before cardio, strength training is the one very important and vital workout EVERYONE must include in their fitness schedule. Body sculpting increases bone mass and muscle mass and helps to prevent osteoporosis and osteopenia. Using weights helps change the shape of our bodies. All levels are welcome and encouraged. Must be 12 years of age and up.

### Butts & Guts with Lynn Chanin

This class is the very best way to work our abdominals and derrière! This is done without added weights and uses only our own body weight. We will use isometrics as well as PNF (proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation) stretching. We will strengthen our core abs and core back as well as tighten and lift our tushies.

### Hatha Flow Yoga (Moderate) with Megan Moran

A thoughtful, breath-oriented class emphasizing foundation and alignment with an introduction to intermediate yoga poses to help students safely deepen their practice. Learn how to work safely in deeper variations and address postural imbalances.

### Power Flow Yoga with Navit Robkin

A hybrid style of yoga that focuses on building strength and endurance. This hour will move at a fast pace, with an emphasis on the flow from one pose to the next.

### Slow Flow with Navit Robkin

This Vinyasa style practice will move at a slower pace, allowing us to feel the full benefit of each posture. The sequence will include a range of standing and reclining postures. Some yoga experience recommended.

### Total Conditioning with Megan Moran

Join us for a pumped-up class! Complete with a cardio warm up, strength training, core work and mobility cool down, you will leave this class stronger and more confident.

### Vinyasa Yoga for Hips & Hamstrings (Intermediate) with Navit Robkin

Has running left you with tight hamstrings? Has sitting at your computer all day left your hips and hamstrings tight? Or are you just looking for a delicious, yoga flow to release tension in your lower body. In this vinyasa style flow, we will focus on opening up tight hips and increasing flexibility in the backs of the legs.

### Vinyasa Yoga for Pesach Digestion with Navit Robkin

This Vinyasa based practice will focus on encouraging digestion. We will incorporate twists and folds.

### Yoga Flow with Lynn Chanin

Yoga Flow is a lovely integration of yoga, tai chi and Pilates, finishing with relaxation and meditation with aromatherapy. All levels are welcome as I will offer modifications and as always, your safety, fitness and well-being come first.

### North Georgia Mountain Hiking with Rabbi Ashira Konigsburg & Rabbi Tim Bernard (Intermediate)

Get ready for a physical and challenging hike! Enjoy exploring trails near and around Ramah Darom's campus. Wear closed-toe shoes and long pants.



## SCHOLARS & FACILITATORS

**Rabbi Aaron Alexander** is the Co-Senior Rabbi of Adas Israel Congregation in Washington, DC. He currently serves as the CJLS Kashrut Committee Chair and is a Hadar J.J. Greenberg Institute Fellow. He's not only a surprised, yet devoted, table-tennis dad, but also a lover of Waffle House, the Grateful Dead, road trips and really good coffee. His journey at Ramah Darom began in 1997 and it continues to be a place he calls "home."

**Rabbi Penina Alexander** is a rabbi and educator in the DC area and serves as Talmud Torah Director at B'nai Israel Congregation in Rockville, MD. She started a newsletter during the pandemic at rabbipenina.substack.com that connects Jewish wisdom and our everyday lives. She is hoping to start a group to follow the steps of *The Artist's Way* by Julia Cameron. She is married to Aaron Alexander and they have three awesome kids: Ariel, Eliav and Amos. They are also caregivers to two dogs: Ruby, a 3-year-old Havapoo and Mae, a 5-month-old Cavapoo.

**Rabbi Tim Bernard** is a fellow writing for Tech Policy Press, having completed his MBA program at Cornell Tech last year. He previously directed online community education programs for JTS, led the Content Moderation team at Seeking Alpha and taught Humash and Mishnah as a middle school Judaics teacher. In 2009, Tim was ordained at JTS. He also studied at the Conservative Yeshiva in Jerusalem and at Yeshivat Hadar. Raised in London, he earned an undergraduate degree in Philosophy from the University of Bristol. He is married to Ashira Konigsburg, with whom he enjoys traveling, hiking, visiting modern art galleries and wrangling their 4-year-old, Arya.

**Neshama Carlebach** is an award-winning singer, songwriter and educator who has performed and taught in cities around the world. A winner and four-time nominee in the Independent Music Awards for her most current release, *Believe*, and winner of the Global Music Awards Silver Award for Outstanding Performance by a Female Vocalist for the album, Neshama has sold over one million records, making her one of today's best-selling Jewish artists in the world. In her teenage years, she performed alongside her father, the late Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach. As the first then-Orthodox woman of her generation to perform for a mixed-gender audience, Neshama has sparked public conversations with brave forays into the place of women in Judaism and today's world. During the pandemic, Neshama was able to pivot and performed/participated in over 300 Zoom events from her home studio. For more than two decades, Neshama has shared her insights on various topics as an essayist and is writing a memoir. In 2017, Neshama also began offering #MeToo workshops and conversations. Neshama lives in New York with her husband Rabbi Menachem Creditor and their five children.

**Lynn Handmacher Chanin** is a native Sephardic Atlanta girl and has an undergrad and graduate degrees in Dance and Exercise Physiology. This is her 48th year teaching dance, fitness and yoga. She teaches in Atlanta at a private gym and the JCC. Lynn first joined this retreat in 2010 after losing her precious son,

Benjamin, to suicide at 16 years young, hoping that the spiritual experience would help in her healing journey. She is involved with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) and The Compassionate Friends, where she presented at the 2022 national conference on her life and experience since losing her beloved son. Lynn is planning to premier a Jewish component to the 2024 national conference for AFSP. In 2020 Lynn began a grant-funded Survivors of Suicide (SOS) group for Jewish families who have lost children to suicide. She is married to Butch, the love of her life, and enjoys spending time with her three wonderful daughters and sons-in-law and her four amazing grandchildren.

**Drew Cohen** is the Director of the Music Program at the Weber School in Atlanta. He is a graduate of Brandeis and the Pardes Educators Program, and facilitates communal singing, music-making and *tefillah* in a variety of Jewish spaces around Atlanta. Drew teaches during the summer at Ramah Darom. While he and his family never pass up an opportunity to spend time at Ramah Darom, this is Drew's first time here for Passover. He is excited to share music and Torah with this community.

**Kelly Cohen** serves as the Senior Director of Experiential Jewish Education at the Marcus Jewish Community Center of Atlanta. Kelly has a wealth of experience as a Jewish educator working in camps, day schools, synagogues, Federations, Israel travel and more. She holds a BA in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies from Brandeis University, a Masters in Jewish Education from Hebrew College and is a graduate of the Pardes Educators Program. Additionally, Kelly is also the creator of Parsha Storybook Project, an online resource for early childhood Torah literacy.

**Rabbi Menachem Creditor** serves as the Pearl and Ira Meyer Scholar in Residence at UJA-Federation New York and was the founder of Rabbis Against Gun Violence. An acclaimed author, scholar and speaker with over two million views of his online videos and essays, he was named by Newsweek as one of the fifty most influential rabbis in America. His 30 published books and six albums of original music include the global anthem "Olam Chesed Yibaneh" and the COVID-era 2-volume anthology *When We Turned Within*. He and his wife Neshama Carlebach live in New York, where they are raising their five children.

**Josh Fleet** is the Communications and Operations Manager at Hadar's Rising Song Institute. He first heard Phish's music in Bunk 28 at Ramah Darom more than 20 years ago, and *The Geulah Papyrus* haggadah emerged from an enduring love of this band as part of a larger project known as the Phish Talmud. Previously a (kosher) vintner at Covenant Winery in Berkeley and an editor for religion at The Huffington Post in New York, Josh now lives with his family in Atlanta.

**Dr. Keren Fraiman** is Spertus Institute's Dean and Chief Academic Officer and also holds a faculty appointment as Associate Professor of Israel Studies. She previously served as

Director of Research and Evaluation at The iCenter for Israel Education, where she continues to serve on the faculty of the iFellows Masters Concentration in Israel Education program. In 2020, Dr. Fraiman was selected for the prestigious Wexner Field Fellowship, presented by the Wexner Foundation in partnership with the Jim Joseph Foundation. She received her PhD in International Relations and Security Studies from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and her BA in Political Science and Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations from The University of Chicago. Her work has been supported by the US Institute of Peace, the National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and the Chicago Project on Security and Terrorism. A former Schusterman Israel Scholar, Dr. Fraiman has worked at the Crown Center for Middle East Studies at Brandeis, served as an officer in the IDF, and led trips to Israel as a Facilitator both for Encounter and Birthright Israel.

**Rabbi Abe Friedman** is best known around Ramah Darom as the son of Murray ז"ל and Lynn Friedman, and lives in Philadelphia with his partner, Rebecca Krasner, and their children Odelia, Azzi, Yonah and Miri. Abe serves as Senior Rabbi of Temple Beth Zion-Beth Israel (BZBI) and is also the founder of Peddler Effects (peddlereffects.com), designing and hand-building guitar effects pedals in his basement workshop. A graduate of the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, AJU's Nonprofit MBA program, and U Penn's Executive Program in Social Impact Strategy, Abe is currently part of Atra's Fellowship for Rabbinic Innovation.

**Vivian Gold** began working in metal in high school and has never stopped. She earned her MFA from Boston University in Metalsmithing and Jewelry Design and worked as a custom goldsmith in New Hampshire, California and Colorado. She has taught at the Portland School of Art in Maine and Chastain Arts Center in Atlanta. She and her husband live in Decatur, GA where they share their home with a dog and three cats.

**Rabbi Daniel Gordis** is the Koret Distinguished Fellow at Shalem College. He is the author of thirteen books and the widely read blog/podcast, "Israel from the Inside". Gordis' *Israel: A Concise History of a Nation Reborn*, received the 2016 National Jewish Book Award as "Book of the Year". Ambassador Dennis Ross, reflecting on the book, wrote, "When I am asked 'Is there one book to read about Israel?' I now have an answer." Gordis' writing has appeared in magazines and newspapers including the New York Times, The New Republic, the New York Times Magazine, Azure, Commentary Magazine and Foreign Affairs. In 2014, the Jerusalem Post listed him as one of the world's 50 most influential Jews, while Jeffrey Goldberg of the Atlantic has written, "If you asked me, 'of all the people you know, who cares the most about the physical, moral and spiritual health of Israel?' I would put the commentator and scholar Daniel Gordis at the top of the list." Gordis' next book, *Impossible Takes Longer: 75 Years After its Creation, Has Israel Fulfilled its Founders' Dreams?*, will be published in April 2023. Gordis and his wife live in Jerusalem. They have three married children and several grandchildren.

**Rabbi David Helfand** is a master community builder, a passionate experiential educator and storyteller who serves as Engagement Rabbi at Congregation Shearith Israel in Atlanta. Rabbi David completed his rabbinic training at the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies where he also received a MA in Jewish Education. He met his best friend and now wife,

Rebekah, in Jerusalem. Rabbi Helfand is a diehard Kansas City sports fan, and when he's not watching the Royals or Chiefs, you can find him preparing a delicious cholent for his Shabbat guests, reading, traveling the world or admiring perhaps one of the greatest kippah and sock collections this side of the Mississippi.

**Rabbi Shai Held** is a philosopher, theologian, and obsessive baseball fan. He is also President, Dean and Chair in Jewish Thought at Hadar. His next book, *Judaism Is About Love*, will be published by Farrar, Straus, & Giroux in 2024. He is here with his wife Rachel, a clinical psychologist, and his three children: Lev, 13; Maya, 11; and Coby, 7.

**Rabbi Joshua Heller** is the Senior Rabbi of Congregation B'nai Torah in Sandy Springs, GA. He is one of the lead editors of the new Conservative/Masorti clergy manual and chairs the Rites and Ritual Subcommittee of Jewish Law and Standards of the Conservative movement. He often consults on topics including Technology in Jewish life, Mikvaot and Eruvin and has been active in many Atlanta and national advisory boards. He graduated from Harvard College and published original research in the "Journal for Computational Neuroscience." He opted out of the dot-com boom to become a ninth-generation rabbi at JTS. In 1996, he founded the JTS distance learning program, and in the years after 9/11, served as Rabbi of the "The Downtown Synagogue," three blocks from the World Trade Center. Joshua and his wife Wendy are proud parents of three die-hard Ramahniks.

**Wendy Heller** is a long-time bullet-journal enthusiast and amateur photographer. When Wendy is not bullet-journaling or taking travel photos, she is a management consultant with Deloitte Consulting specializing in real estate transformation and workplace strategy, which is to say, she helps many companies figure out what to do with all the real estate they haven't used in the last three years.

**Luke Hundley** was raised and lives in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. As a child, he began turning wood and became accomplished enough to be recognized by the American Woodturners' Association while he was in high school. Lucas was awarded an Education Opportunity Grant to study in Japan in Yamanaka and share with the Japanese artists what American woodturners were doing. He attended Haywood Community College, where he received an associate degree in Professional Woodworking. He then attended the Appalachian Center for Craft at Tennessee Tech University, earning a BFA.

**Stephanie Kane** (she/her) is a professional theatre artist and educator, currently working at Lab/Shul in NYC as the Raising the Bar (B Mitzvah) Coordinator. As a Jewish educator and eternal camp counselor, she has worked with kids of all ages and abilities at Camp Ramah in California, JCC Pittsburgh and the Society for the Advancement of Judaism. Her theatrical homes past and present include Center Theatre Group, the Williamstown Theatre Festival, Santa Cruz Shakespeare, The Public Theater and The Workshop Theater. Stephanie holds a BFA in Drama from Carnegie Mellon University and currently lives in Brooklyn on sovereign Lenape land, although she was born and raised in Los Angeles, a fact that shocks people because she's pale, walks fast and hates the beach.

**Rachel Kaplan** has served as a ritual and programming power house, facilitating meaningful experiences across the U.S. for communities like Kehilat Romemu, Wilderness Torah, Sukkat Shalom, Elat Chayyim Jewish Spiritual Retreat Center and B'nai Torah Congregation of Boca Raton. When she's not creating music, Jewishly-themed puppet shows, teaching Jewish Jedi Training, or awareness of integral spiritual Judaism, Rachel studies Yang style Taijiquan, Choy Ley Fut, and other disciplines that aid her in defending the forces of love against fear. Rachel lives in Dunwoody, GA with her husband and creative partner, Greg, and their daily muses, Hazel and Ember, who call Ramah Darom their second home.

**Rabbi Avi Killip** is the Executive Vice President at Hadar. A graduate of Hebrew College Rabbinical School, she also holds Bachelors and Masters Degrees from Brandeis University. Avi teaches as part of Hadar's Faculty and is host of the podcast "Responsa Radio". She lives in Riverdale, NY with her husband and three children.

**Rabbi Ashira Konigsburg** is the Chief Operating Officer for the Rabbinical Assembly and Chief Program Officer for the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. Rabbi Konigsburg graduated with an M.A. in Talmud and Rabbinics and Rabbinic Ordination from the Jewish Theological Seminary. A native of South Florida, she spent her undergraduate years at the University of Maryland and has spent many summers in various roles at Ramah Darom, including directing the climbing program. Ashira currently serves as a member of the Board and Steering Team of Kehilat Hadar. She also volunteers as a Disaster Spiritual Care Chapter Coordinator and Disaster Action Team Supervisor for the New York City region of the American Red Cross. She enjoys traveling, hiking, climbing and reading in her free time.

**Greg Lawrence** is the Executive Director of Congregation Bet Haverim in Atlanta, GA and has worked as a Jewish professional for two decades. He is on the precipice of a career change and very much looks forward to attending Jewish holidays and gatherings without having to be responsible for them! He holds bachelors degrees in both psychology and neuroscience from Brandeis University. He holds a Master's Degree in Transpersonal Counseling Psychology from John F. Kennedy University. His most recent foray into post-graduate education was earning one unit of Clinical Pastoral Education through Emory Center for Pastoral Services, where he could be found as a chaplain intern at Emory Midtown Hospital. Greg and his wife, Rachel Kaplan, are former renowned trivia hosts in the Atlanta trivia scene. They live in Dunwoody, GA with their two children, Hazel and Ember.

**Naomi Less** is a Brooklyn-based, internationally celebrated singer/songwriter, ritualist and educator. Beloved for her warm smile and inviting presence, communities celebrate her imagination, innovation, tenderness and pizzaz! Her Jewish communal leadership takes many forms: a founding ritual leader at Lab/Shul, a core educator for Songleader Boot Camp, the radio host of Jewish Rock Radio's Jewish Women Rock, a composer and performer in the touring performance piece, "TRYmester: Jewish Fertility Journeys Out Loud," and a speaker on ELI Talks. Her original music is sung in worship communities worldwide and can be found on Spotify, YouTube and Soundcloud. Her favorite gig is being mom to Marlo and partner to Glenn.

**Fred Levick** was CEO of Ramah Darom for 19 years, from 2000 until his retirement in 2018. His greatest pleasure is in seeing Darom campers blossom into extraordinary adults who are making the world a better place. Please consider making a donation to Darom's Fred Levick Campership Endowment Fund to enable more children to make this journey.

**Eliana Light** is working towards a world of One-ness, guided and inspired by Jewish heritage. She is the founder and head T'fillahsopher at the Light Lab and the co-host of the podcast "The Light Lab". She is also a sought-after songwriter and performer of catchy, content-rich tunes for all ages and has put out three albums of original music, with two new ones on the way. Eliana offers artist-in-residence weekends, learning, and professional development centered on making Jewish liturgy and prayer practice accessible and meaningful to all seekers. Eliana received her Masters in Jewish Experiential Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary in 2016, and is based in Durham, North Carolina.

**Megan Moran** is a native of Sandy Springs, GA. She attended college outside of Asheville, NC where she was exposed to the natural beauty in the Southern Appalachians. This experience instilled in her a deep sense of connection, stewardship and gratitude for the outdoors. Megan's expertise emerged from finding she could empower and soothe herself through yoga, personal fitness and a holistic approach to wellness. She studied at Asheville Yoga Center and has a NESTA certificate in personal training.

**Dorielle Parker** is a Jewish educator currently living in Atlanta with her husband, Josh, and two boys, Maayan and Avi-Lev. She loves all things relating to Torah, the outdoors, music and COLOR. In addition to teaching children in the classroom, Dori loves to make art that is inspired by her spiritual process and journey. She firmly believes that in order to strengthen our connection to ourselves and our Creator, we have to get in touch with the side of us that is also meant to create, get messy and have fun with the materials around us! She is excited to spend the week doing just that with all of you.

**Maharat Rori Picker Neiss** serves as the Executive Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of St. Louis and is the inaugural Rabbi in Residence at Holy Communion Episcopal Church. She is one of the first graduates of Yeshivat Maharat, a pioneering institution training Orthodox Jewish women to be spiritual leaders and *halakhic* (Jewish legal) authorities. Her passions center on Judaism, feminism, interfaith dialogue, social justice and her three children.

**Russel Neiss** is a Jewish educator and technologist who builds critically acclaimed apps and experiences used by thousands daily. His work has been featured in the New York Times, the Washington Post, CNN, the Atlantic, NPR, Haaretz, the Jewish Telegraph Agency and other outlets. In 2017 he was selected by the Forward as one of the 50 most influential Jewish Americans, and in 2020 he received the Covenant Award, one of the highest honors in Jewish Education. He currently serves as the Product & Engineering Director at Sefaria.

**Sara Shapiro-Plevan, EdD**, is all about relationships, focusing on the way relationships improve our practice, help us to understand our work, and engage effectively with others as we build sustainable networks, communities and workplaces.

As the CEO of the Gender Equity in Hiring in the Jewish Community Project (GEiHP), she puts our Jewish values of equity and justice into action as we build Jewish workplaces that tap into the best of our human potential, transforming the endemic culture of gender bias that so often keeps women from senior staff positions and leadership roles. Sara is an expert coach, facilitator and consultant, working across the Jewish community to help strengthen our capacity to develop networked, collaborative workplaces and shift from hierarchy to flatter, networked organizations.

**Amy Price** loves all things outdoors and is excited to lead gardening activities over Pesach. She lives in Chamblee, GA with her husband, son and chickens. Professionally, she supports people of all abilities to find employment opportunities and dream big for their lives. She spent time at Isabella Freedman working for The Teva Learning Center doing outdoor environmental education. This is where her passion developed for exploring the connection between Judaism and the environment. She also spent time farming at a youth village in Rwanda.

**Liz Queler** is hailed by Billboard Magazine as a “singer’s singer” and has performed on esteemed stages from Carnegie Hall to The Newport Folk Festival. A three-time Grammy nominee, Liz has released six critically acclaimed albums and performed nationwide. Her CD “The Edna Project,” a collaboration with pianist/husband Seth Farber, set 21 poems by Edna St. Vincent Millay to music. A commissioned theater piece, for which Liz also wrote the book, ensued. Liz has worked extensively as a composer and studio singer for TV and film. She teaches guitar, voice and songwriting. In 2019 Liz traveled to Israel to coach Ultimate frisbee and teach music at Ultimate Peace, a summer camp that brings together Jewish, Palestinian and Arab youths.

**Rabbi Ayal Robkin** lives on the Upper West Side of Manhattan and teaches Talmud, Tanach, the psychology of Mussar, the psychology of Chassidic/Jewish mystical thought, and Jewish mindfulness meditation at the Abraham Joshua Heschel High School in Manhattan. Currently researching the psychology of Jewish Virtue Ethics, Ayal hopes to bring empirical research to the historical analysis of a recently less academically explored body of texts. Ayal completed the Pardes Educators Program and Semikha through Yashrut under Rabbi Danny Landes. As a side hobby, Ayal is an amateur woodworker and pyrographer and is excited to bring his enthusiasm for art to the woodshop at Ramah. He is here with his wife Maddy Bloch and his new daughter, Neima!

**Judy Robkin** is a native Atlantan and a professional studio potter. Her work is shown in numerous juried shows and galleries. In addition to her time at Ramah Darom, she teaches clay hand-building to adults at the John C. Campbell Folk School in Murphy, NC, and enjoys sharing her love of art with her students. At Ramah Darom, whether teaching drawing, painting, clay or fabric arts, she encourages creativity and individuality to seasoned artists and beginners.

**Navit Robkin** works for the Task Force for Global Health on the Child Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance (CHAMPS) Project, developing procedures for identifying, tracking and analyzing child mortality and pregnancy in eight sites in Africa and South Asia. She has worked with various global health and development organizations, including the CDC, the Carter

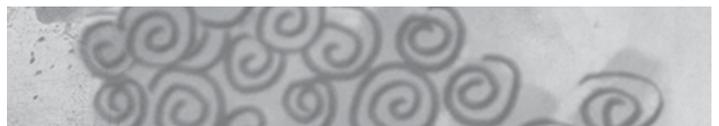
Center and American Jewish World Service. She earned a Master of Global Public Health focused on Community Health and Development from Emory University’s Rollins School of Public Health, focusing her research on postpartum depression among rural women in Nepal. She is currently pursuing her doctorate in public health from Johns Hopkins University, with a concentration in human rights and social justice. She has her 200-hour Yoga Teacher Certification and has practiced yoga for over 15 years.

**Shai Robkin** teaches behavioral economics in Atlanta and consults with companies on using behavioral economic research findings in their business decisions. His exploration into the world of decision-making led him to contribute a kidney to someone he previously did not know, to become the first president of Better Ballot Georgia, an organization that seeks to institute “ranked-choice voting” in American elections and start a social psychology-based podcast club. In 1981, Shai and his wife opened “Sefer ve-Sefel,” Israel’s first combination bookstore/coffee shop. They returned to Atlanta in 1984 to care for aging parents, and acquired Vernon, a manufacturer and distributor of library supplies. Shai sold Vernon in 2019 to devote more time to his behavioral economics and volunteer work. He serves as the chair of the Atlanta Regional Council of the New Israel Fund and as a national board member of the Friends of the Arava Institute for Environmental Studies.

**Ori Salzberg** is the creative director of Meaningful Media, a production company specializing in digital storytelling in film and music. He also works in the Atlanta Jewish community as a spiritual music educator at Congregation Shearith Israel.

**Brad Semon** is the Founder and President of Painted Plate in Greensboro, NC. Since 1993, Painted Plate Catering has been the premiere caterer of the NC Triad, achieved by creating scratch prepared five-star restaurant quality cuisine for exclusive wedding celebrations, corporate events and more. In addition to Chef Brad Semon’s restaurant and catering experience, he has been cooking Jewish cuisine since a young age. Chef Brad has partnered with and consulted on the Passover menu and catering execution at Ramah Darom for numerous years.

**Honor Woodard** BFA, LMT is a visual and healing artist, in practice since 2011 and has provided care to our Passover guests since 2014. A graduate of the Florida School of Massage and Washington University, Honor’s additional trainings have been in Resistance & Release with Deane Juhan, author of “Job’s Body,” Biodynamic Cranial Approach with Georgia Milne and more recently Wilderness Rites of Passage with the School of Lost Borders. Honor’s work integrates traditional massage techniques with her other accumulated skills and modalities, and her clients generally report feeling both relaxed and energized by her bodywork. In addition to the sacredness of working on multiple generations over the years, Honor also deeply appreciates the opportunity to be on the land here, as she was also a camper, 40 years ago when the camp was Tumbling Waters.



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# Coming Up at Ramah Darom



Retreats at Ramah Darom		
<b>LimmudFest</b>	A celebration of Jewish thought, arts, culture and learning over Labor Day Weekend in the North Georgia Mountains at Ramah Darom.	Sept 1-4, 2023
<b>Jewish Women's Getaway</b>	Discover community, express your creativity, enjoy inspiring sessions and have FUN.	Nov 5-8, 2023
<b>NEW Machzor Gimel</b>	Ramah Darom's new annual alumni retreat, where alumni will have the opportunity to come back home to Ramah Darom yearly.	Dec 15-17, 2023
<b>Winter Break Family Camp</b>	Fun for the whole family with counselor-led adventures, family and adult-only time, a magical Shabbat and a rockin' New Year's Eve.	Dec 27, 2023- Jan 1, 2024
<b>Southern Schmooze</b>	Celebrate and connect with other small southern Jewish communities.	Feb 2-4, 2024
<b>B'teavon</b>	A culinary exploration of all things Jewish food.	Feb 16-19, 2024
<b>Book It To Shabbat</b>	A fun-filled weekend designed in partnership with PJ Library Atlanta for families with children ages 2-8.	Mar 8-10, 2024
<b>Passover Retreat</b>	A family-friendly, kosher for Passover vacation with meaningful programs, incredible scholars, delicious food and tons of fun.	Apr 21-May 1, 2024

Camp Ramah Darom Kayitz (Summer) 2023		
<b>Sessions Aleph/Bet</b>	4-week programs for rising 4 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> grade campers. (6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> graders may choose a full summer experience)	<b>Aleph:</b> June 7-July 2 <b>Bet:</b> July 5-30
<b>Gesher Leadership Program</b>	An 8-week program for rising 11 <sup>th</sup> grade campers.	June 7-July 30
<b>Nitzanim K'tzara</b>	An 18-night session option for rising 4 <sup>th</sup> grade campers.	July 5-23
<b>Garinim</b>	An 11-night program for rising 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade campers.	<b>Aleph:</b> June 21-July 2 <b>Bet:</b> July 12-23
<b>Ta'am</b>	A 5-night taste program for rising 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade campers.	<b>Aleph:</b> June 5-12 <b>Bet:</b> July 5-10
<b>Ramah Bamah NEW</b>	A 2-week musical theater specialty camp for rising 8 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> graders.	July 5-19
<b>Tikvah Camper Support</b>	A range of support for summer campers with disabilities.	
<b>Tikvah Vocational Education Program</b>	An opportunity for 17-21 year-olds who require extra support to learn vocational skills at Camp.	June 7-July 2
<b>Camp Yofi</b>	5-day program for families with children on the autism spectrum between the ages of 6 and 13.	Aug 2-6

For more information about Year-Round Retreats and Kayitz (Summer) Programs, please visit [ramahdarom.org](http://ramahdarom.org)





# SAFETY & SECURITY

Ramah Darom has developed comprehensive safety and security protocols in consultation with the the Security Committee of our Board of Directors, the Secure Community Network and the Rabun County Sheriff's department. Highlighted below are key elements of our protocols. Please review this document with your family at the beginning of your stay.

Every building has an emergency exit plan posted and is equipped with fire extinguishers.  
PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF EMERGENCY EXITS WHENEVER YOU ENTER A BUILDING.

The Sheriff's department has an on-site officer guarding our Clayton campus 24 hours/day throughout this retreat.

## MEDICAL EMERGENCY

*First aid kits and AEDs are available at the Welcome Center reception desk, the Marcus Lodge Hotel community room (ground floor), the Mountainside Retreat Hotel kitchenette (lower level), the Lakeside Hotel sitting room (bottom floor) and in the Main Dining Room.*

### In the Event of a Medical Emergency:

- IMMEDIATELY DIAL 911. Give location, sex and approximate age of victim and if possible, the type of emergency. Then dial 706.782.9300 from your cell phone or any campus phone and follow the prompts to alert a Ramah Darom staff person of your emergency.
- Stay with the injured person until help arrives. Try to calm, reassure and stabilize the person. Never move an injured person with a suspected neck or back injury.
- When medical staff arrives at the scene, summarize the situation and answer questions.

## SEVERE WEATHER

### Thunder and/or Lightning:

- Gather your family/group and move to a safe area (large indoor facility, bunk porch or common room) until the weather has passed.

### Tornado Warning:

- Head immediately to one of the following designated emergency locations: Welcome Center Hotel lower level hallway, Marcus Lodge lower level community room, Mountainside Hotel lower level hallway, Levine Center lower level hallway and lower level common space of bunks 1/2 or 29/30.
- When at location, stay away from windows.
- Stay at designated emergency location until the "all clear" signal has been given over the emergency speakers.

## FIRE

### If You Spot a Fire:

- Leave the building and do not re-enter to remove personal property.
- IMMEDIATELY DIAL 911. Give location, and if possible, type of fire (grease, electrical, paper, etc.). Then dial 706.782.9300 from your cell phone or any campus phone and follow the prompts to alert a Ramah Darom staff person of your emergency. The office will sound the fire alarm throughout the campus.
- If a phone is not accessible, sound the closest fire alarm.
- If a campus-wide fire alarm is sounded, all guests should proceed immediately to the *kikar* (field in front of the Levine Center/Dining Hall) and remain there until the "all clear" signal has been given over the emergency speakers.
- If the fire occurs on or near the *kikar*, all guests should proceed to the *Beit Am* (covered basketball court).

## ACTIVE SHOOTER

- EVACUATE if at all possible, leaving the area by the quickest route available. If necessary, leave the campus grounds. Leave your belongings behind.
- Call 911 as soon as it is safe to do so.
- If you are not able to evacuate, HIDE OUT in an area out of the active shooter's view. Block entry to your hiding place. If possible, lock the door. Silence your cell phone (including vibrate mode) and remain quiet.
- TAKE ACTION only as a last resort and only when your life is in imminent danger. Attempt to incapacitate the shooter. Act with physical aggression and throw items at the active shooter.
- When law enforcement arrives, remain calm and follow the officers' instructions. Immediately raise hands and spread fingers. Keep your hands visible at all times. Avoid quick movements toward officers whenever possible.



**The Kadima! Campaign is a comprehensive plan supporting leadership, accessibility, education and fun through capital projects, program initiatives and endowments.**

## Capital Projects & Program Initiatives



### Program Center

The new Program Center is scheduled to be completed in 2024. Located next to the Amphitheater on the site of our original Dining Hall, this facility will include meeting and recreational spaces, a staff lounge, coffee bar and a new fitness center.



### Gesher Village

Built on the east side of our campus in the mountain treetops, this new home for our oldest summer campers, will include three cabins, a zipline circuit, a bike trail, rock climbing, an outdoor classroom, tent platforms and indoor program space, to be used all year long by campers, staff and guests.



### Welcome Center Extension

This self-contained space with additional ADA housing, a kitchen and conference rooms will provide needed space for our growing Tikvah Vocational Program, offer opportunities to host smaller retreats and will be the home of a future year-round Jewish leadership program.

## Additional Campus/Programmatic Expansions

New Teaching Kitchen, Lower Roads Refresh, Gan Expansion, New Blob Tower and Dock, Waterslide Outdoor Creative Spaces, Canopy Walk, Zipline Course, Bouldering Wall, Mountain Biking Trail and Sports Fields

## Program Endowment Opportunities

- Summer Staff Programming
- Tikvah Vocational Program
- New Leadership Training Program
- Exceptional Experience Initiative Fund
- Wilderness & Adventure Programming
- Mountain Biking Programming

### **Kadima! Let's Go Ramah Darom!**

For additional information, please visit us online and contact Sharon Rosenfeld, Director of Development at 404.503.2129 or [srosenfeld@ramahdarom.org](mailto:srosenfeld@ramahdarom.org).



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## RECREATION

- A** Tennis Courts
- B** Hockey Court
- C** Basketball Courts
- D** Farm
- E** Breicha (Swimming Pool)
- F** Sand Volleyball Courts
- G** Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)  
Ramah Garden
- H** Odyssey Course
- I** Kikar (Activity Field)
- J** Alpine Tower, Climbing Wall & Swing
- K** Timber Challenge Course
- L** Medura (Lakeside Fire Pit)
- M** Archery Range
- N** Omanut (Arts & Crafts Center)
- O** Gan (Nursery)
- P** Agam (Lake) & Boat Dock
- PP** Softball Field
- QQ** Menkowitz Trail

## MEETING SPACES

- Q** Mountaintop Pavilion
- R** Future Home of The Staff Center
- S** Beit Am (Covered Basketball Court)  
Amphitheater  
Ramah Garden
- T** Mirpeset Tefillah  
(Mountainside Pavilion)
- U** Pizza Oven & Fireplace Patio
- V** **Levine Center**  
Chadar Ochel (Dining Hall)  
Mountainside Chadar Ochel  
Lakeside Chadar Ochel  
Moadon (Multipurpose Room)  
Beit Knesset (Synagogue)  
Mercaz Aryeh (Library)  
Fitness Center
- W** Margam (Lakeside Pavilion)
- X** Treehouse

## LODGING

- Y** Welcome Center
- Z** Cottages (Z1- Z5)
- AA** Marcus Lodge
- BB** Mountainside Hotel
- CC** Deluxe Cabin (1-4)
- DD** Mountainside Cabins (1-12)
- EE** Lower Roads Cabins (13-20)
- FF** Lakeside Cabins (21-32)
- GG** Lakeside Hotel

NAME:

ROOM:



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