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EDUCATION

- 2003 Ph.D. University of Chicago, Divinity School
“Soothing Odors: The Transformation of Scent in Ancient Israelite and Ancient Jewish Literature.”
Director: Michael Fishbane
Readers: John J. Collins, Tikva Frymer-Kensky
- 1997 M.A. University of Chicago (Divinity)
- 1984 B.A. Brandeis University (English and American Literature)

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2003- Greenberg Assistant Professor of Hebrew Language and Literature, Department of Religious Studies and the Harold Schnitzer Family Program for Judaic Studies, University of Oregon
- 2001-2003 Instructor, Spertus Institute of Jewish Studies, Chicago, Illinois
- 1997-1999 Teaching Assistant, The University of Chicago (the College and the Divinity School)

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

- 1990-1995 Marketing Director, William M. Mercer, Incorporated
- 1985-1990 Editor, Quality Assurance Coordinator, and Marketer, TPF&C/Tillinghast
- 1984-1985 Marketing Assistant, Alltime, Inc.

COMPETITIVE AWARDS

- 2008 Summer Stipend Grant – University of Oregon (Nominated; NEH Summer Stipend)
- 2006 Oregon Humanities Center Research Fellowship
- 2005 Summer Stipend Grant – University of Oregon (Nominated; NEH Summer Stipend)
- 2002-2003 Wabash Fellowship in Pedagogy and the Study of Religion
- 2002-2003 Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture
- 2001-2002 Junior Fellow – Martin Marty Center
- 2000 Dorot Foundation Travel Grant – Combined Caesarea Expeditions
- 1997 Milo P. Jewett Prize for best paper in Biblical Studies in the Divinity School “Renaming 4Q550: Court Tales”

OTHER FUNDING/AWARDS

- 2004-2009 Junior Professor Development Award
2004 New Faculty Award
2000-2001 Jr. Fellow, Shalom Hartman Institute, Jerusalem, Israel
1997-2000 Divinity School Fellowship

FUNDED RESEARCH TRAVEL

- 2004 Israel (by University of Oregon). Field study of burials in Beit She'arim; library research National Library and Rockefeller Museum; meetings with archaeologists from Israel Antiquities Authority.
2004 Italy and Tunisia (by International Catacomb Society). Symposium at British School of Archaeology, Rome; team field study of Roman (early Christian) cities and burials in Tunisia; burials in Italy; new dig sites.
2000-2001 Israel (by the Divinity School, University of Chicago and the Dorot Foundation). Volunteer for two weeks at Caesarea expedition; study at the Hartman Institute; independent research at the National Library in Jerusalem.

BOOKS - AUTHORED

**The Aroma of Righteousness: Scent and Seduction in Rabbinic Life and Literature* (University Park: The Pennsylvania State University Press, under contract; final submission November 1, 2009).

BOOKS - EDITED

Scriptural Exegesis: The Shapes of Culture and the Religious Imagination: Essays in Honour of Michael Fishbane. Co-edited with Laura Lieber (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009).

Commemorating the Dead: Text and Artifact in Context: Studies of Roman, Jewish, and Christian Burials. Co-edited with Laurie Brink (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2008).

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

"Sweet Spices in the Tomb: An Initial Study on the Use of Perfume in Jewish Burials" in *Commemorating the Dead: Text and Artifact in Context*. Edited by Laurie Brink and Deborah Green (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 2008), p. 145-173.

With Laura Lieber, "Introduction," in *Scriptural Exegesis: The Shapes of Culture and the Religious Imagination: Essays in Honour of Michael Fishbane*. Co-edited with Laura Lieber (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009), p. 1-9.

With John J. Collins, "The Tales from the Persian Court (4Q550^{a-c})," *Antikes Judentum und Frühes Christentum: Festschrift für Hartmut Stegemann zum 65. Geburtstag*. Edited by Bernd Kollman, Wolfgang Reinbold and Annette Steudel (Berlin: Walter de Gruyter, 1999), p. 39-52.

INVITED CONTRIBUTIONS

“Incense” and “Anointing” in *The Cambridge Dictionary of Jewish History, Religion, and Culture*. Edited by Judith Baskin (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Forthcoming)

“4Q550 (Proto-Esther),” *Dictionary of Early Judaism*. Edited by John J. Collins and Daniel Harlow (Eerdmans Publishing Company, Forthcoming).

“Torah Portion Miketz: Post-Biblical Exegesis” and “Torah Portion Devarim: Post-Biblical Exegesis,” *WRJ Women’s Commentary on the Torah*. Edited by Tamara Cohn Eskenazi (New York: Women of Reform Judaism/Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, 2007), p. 252-253; 1056-1057

INVITED REVIEWS

Lieve Teugels, *Bible and Midrash: The Story of ‘The Wooing of Rebekah’*, (Leuven: Peeters, 2004) in *Review of Biblical Literature*, September (2006).

Rachel Adler, *Engendering Judaism: An Inclusive Theology and Ethics*, (Philadelphia: Jewish Publication Society, 1998) in *Journal of Religion*, 79, 4, (1999), p. 685-86.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“The Scent of a Woman: Rabbinic Attitudes toward Women’s Aromatic Practices” (Submitted to Harvard Theological Review)

“Abraham, the Midrashic Martyr” – draft complete; rewriting introduction and conclusion.

INVITED PAPERS AND TALKS

- 2009 “The Scent of a Woman: Rabbinic Attitudes toward Women’s Aromatic Practices”
Women in the Religious and Intellectual Activity of the Ancient Mediterranean World: An Interdisciplinary and International Conference in Honor of Adela Yarbro Collins
Ohio State University & Methodist Theological School
- 2008 “Aroma and the Rabbinic Agenda: The Influence of Biblical Texts and Daily Life on Rabbinic Literature”
Duke University
- 2006 Paper on Susan Ashbrook Harvey’s *Scenting Salvation*
Byzantine Studies Annual Conference
- 2006 “Legislating Scent: Rabbinic Attitudes toward Death, Dining, and Dry Cleaning”
Senses of Religion Conference
Yale University

- 2006 "Commemorating the Dead"
Panel Discussion for the International Catacomb Society Project
Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting
- 2005 "Sweet Spices in the Tomb"
Commemorating the Dead Conference
University of Chicago
- 2005 "Comparing Jewish and Christian Martyrdom Narratives"
Jewish Studies Workshop
University of Chicago
- 2004 "Jewish Burials in the Late Roman Period: A Comparison of Material and
Textual Evidence"
Symposium for Commemorating the Dead
British School of Archaeology
Rome, Italy
- 2004 "The Power of the Martyr in Rabbinic Midrash"
University of Oregon Symposium
Martyrdom: Witnessing to Faith in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam
- 1997 "From Covenant to Contract, From Contract to Covenant:
Transformations in Jewish Marriage from the Renaissance to the
Present"
Newberry Library Panel on Gender and Judaism, Chicago, Illinois

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2005 "The Evidence of Spices in Jewish Burials"
Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting
- 2004 "Subjective Objectivity: Picking and Choosing from Material
Culture"
Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting
- 2003 "Abraham, the Midrashic Martyr"
Association for Jewish Studies Annual Meeting
- 2003 "One Sense in Search of a Method"
Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting
- 2002 "Perfume and the Rabbinic Agenda"
WECSOR Annual Meeting, Association for Jewish Studies Section,
Moraga, California

COMMUNITY TALKS

- 2009 Course: Genesis
Continuing Education Insight Seminar, University of Oregon
- 2009 The History of the Seder
Bean Dormitory Complex, University of Oregon Student Housing
- 2008, 2009 D'var
Hillel Foundation, University of Oregon
- 2007 Martyrdom
Student Inter-religious Dialogue Group, University of Oregon
- 2006 Lecture: Women and Spices in the Talmud
Women's Group, Temple Beth Israel
- 2006 Panel Discussion: *The Da Vinci Code*
Community Conversations - Hamilton Dormitory Student Think Tank
University of Oregon
- 2006 Discussion: "Song of Songs," "Wisdom of Israel" Series
Continuing Education Insight Seminar, University of Oregon
- 2005 Course: "Reading Maccabees"
Temple Beth Israel
- 2005 Lecture: "Esther"
Or HaGan Congregation
- 2004 Panel Member: "Faith and its Role in Higher Education: Christians,
Muslims, Jews in Dialogue"
First Annual Faculty Forum, Newman Center, St. Thomas More Parish
- 2004 Lecture: "Judging Israel by the Treatment of Its Women: Three Female
Characters in the Book of Judges," Temple Beth Israel

SERVICE – UNIVERSITY AND ACADEMIA

HAROLD SCHNITZER FAMILY PROGRAM IN JUDAIC STUDIES

- 2007- Student Advising: Majors and Minors
- 2003- Executive Committee
- 2003- Development: Activities include dinners and meetings with donors
- 2007 Organization of Lecture by Visiting Scholar
- 2003- Affiliate of Center for the Study of Women in Society, University of
Oregon

DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES

- 2006- Hiring Committee for Graduate Teaching Fellows (2006, 2007, 2009)
- 2008 Graduation Speech for Humanities Consortium
- 2005 Planning and Participant in University of Oregon Symposium on
“Martyrdom: Witnessing to Faith in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam”

ACADEMIC FIELD

- 2009- Society of Biblical Literature: Sensory Experience in the Bible
Consultation
- 2007- Society of Biblical Literature: Committee for the Status of Women in the
Profession
- 2004- Society of Biblical Literature Steering Committee: Archaeological
Excavations and Discoveries Section

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- American Academy of Religion
- Society of Biblical Literature
- Association for Jewish Studies
- Archaeological Institute of America