

Arts and Culture in Israel

The Guide



Out of Egypt

Explore the myriad of exciting shows,
tours and events in celebration of the
Passover holiday pages 15-18

Tel Aviv and Center

Keren Kayemeth Lelsrael
KKL-JNF is offering a variety of activities for the whole family, including hikes, over-night camping for families, marches, bike-rides and day-tours. Details and registration: Kav Laya'ar, the KKL-JNF information hotline, 1-800-350-550; Archeology Center (02) 992-1136, www.kkl.org.il

Passover at Bialik Square
Activities for the whole family include theater shows, musical shows, puppet theater, creative workshops and guided tours of Bialik House and Beit Ha'ir. Sun-Wed 10.00-14.00. Details: (03) 525-3403, www.beithair.org

Bird Festival at Jaffa Port
A happening for the whole family, offering exhibitions, ecological tours, story-telling, film-screenings, creative workshops and more. Sun-Mon 10.00-18.00, Hangar 2, Jaffa Port. Details: www.namalyafo.co.il

Design Week Holon Celebrated around the city during Passover, this event includes educational activities, design exhibits in galleries and museums, open studios, architectural consultations and workshops in

family, Tues 10.00-13.00; Guided tour of interactive exhibits, daily at 11.00. Sun-Wed 9.00-18.00, Thur 9.00-13.00, Man and the Living World Museum, National Park, Ramat Gan (03) 631-5010, www.adamvechai.org.il

Beth Hatefutsoth Arts and crafts at the Family Gallery, featuring the children's exhibition "A-B-See Do," haggadah exhibit and musical performances for the whole family. Sun-Wed 10.00-19.00, Thur 09.00-13.00; **Family Tuesdays** Meeting with the Tehatron group. Tues at 17.00. Beth Hatefutsoth (Museum of the Jewish Diaspora), 2 Klausner St., Tel Aviv University Campus, Ramat Aviv (03) 745-7800

"The World is in our Hands" Mini-City An eco-minded miniature city featuring streets, stores and plazas and offering workshops related to electronics, textiles, fairies and princesses, paper, cardboard and plastic as well as an ecological building station, ecological theme-park and more. Wed, Thur 11.00-17.00. Naot Shikma Park, Rishon Letzion. Info: (03) 965-0063

Paint Your Own Pottery The studio offers a large selection of ceramic and wood pieces to



HISTORICAL: "Pilgrims, Travelers and Dreamers" at the Tower of David in Jerusalem.

competitions, activities and flower exhibits, as well as art workshops for kids (kites and scarecrow garden). Sun-Wed 9.30-17.00, Thur 9.30-15.00, Hebrew University, Givat Ram Campus
Kol Ha'ot – Illuminating Jewish Life through Art All about asking questions and coming up with answers through a variety of artistic tools like collage, video, writing and drawing. Join artists David Moss and Matt Berkowitz as they tell how they created their respective Haggadah. Tues, Wed 17.00-21.00, Martef Theater, 7 Emek Refaim St. (corner Patterson St.) Details: 050-790-4964. www.kolhaot.com

Beit Shmuel Tours: Registration: (02) 620-3461, dress modestly
Good Friday Through the Christian Quarter. Fri, 9.00; **Mt. Zion King David's Tomb** and the Jewish Quarter. Sat, 10.00; **Palm Sunday** Experience the Christian Quarter during celebrations marking the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Sun, 8.00; **In the Footsteps of Yossi Banai** Nahlaot and area, with live singing. Sun, 10.00; **Underground Jerusalem** Under and around the Old City. Mon, 10.00; **Monasteries and Flowers in Zurim Valley** Looking out on the Judean Desert. Mon, 10.00; **King David St.** Tues, 10.00; **The Jewish Quarter and Old City Rooftops** Tues, 10.00; **Where Are The Vessels of The Holy Temple?** The Jewish Quarter. Wed, 10.00; **The Nightlife of Eastern Jerusalem** Music, galleries, restaurants and cafes. Wed, 19.00; **Easter Ceremonies in Jerusalem** Churches in the Christian Quarter. Thur, 14.00; **The Bukharan Neighborhood** With author Dan Benaya Seri, following the locations in his book "Adam Shav El Beito." Thur, 16.00

Walking Tours in English:
The German Colony Sun, 9.30;
The Greek Colony and Baka

Mon, 9.30; **Katamon** Tues, 9.30; **Talbieh** Wed, 9.30; **Old Talpiti and Environs** Thur, 9.30. Registration: 054-521-6933

The Battle for the Jewish Quarter Mon, 9.30; **Markets in the Old City** Wed, 9.30. Registration required: 054-647-8955, tourwithjack@gmail.com

Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel (SPNI) Tours, Registration: (02) 625-2357:
Musical Tour of The Old City Sun, 16.00; **Mir Forest** Flora and fauna around Neve Ya'acov neighborhood. Mon, 8.30; **The Nature of Things** Hidden spots around the city and urban nature. Wed, 16.30

Jewish Quarter Guided tours of sites (11.00, 13.00, 15.00, 17.00), as well as special activities for the whole family. Sun-Wed 9.00-19.00. Details: (02) 626-5906, www.rova-yehudi.org.il

Spring at the Zoo Activities include elephant feeding, rainforest animal workshop (Sun-Tues at 12.00), petting corners and a scavenger hunt with prizes. Sun-Wed 09.00-18.00, Thur, Fri 09.00-16.30, Sat 10.00-18.00, Tisch Family Zoological Gardens (Biblical Zoo), Aharon Shulov Rd., Malha (02) 675-0111. Details: www.jerusalemzoo.org.il/english
Pilgrims, Travelers and Dreamers in the Citadel

Theatrical journey tracing the history of pilgrims in Jerusalem, alongside arts and crafts workshops, guided tours and the "Jerusalem for Four Hands," exhibit featuring the animated films of Emanuele Luzzati and Giulio Gianini. Sun-Wed 10.30-16.00; **The Night Spectacular** light and sound night show, Sun-Wed 20.00, 21.00. Tower of David Museum (02) 626-5333, www.towerofdauid.co.il

The Haggadah Comes Alive at Mini Israel The biggest matza in Israel, 6-meters long; **Haggadah in the Air:** circus show with acrobats and actors from around the world; **Mini Exodus:** reenactment of the journey out of Egypt; **Archeological arena** to search for antiques; **Mini Seder,** with actors, including Haggadah reading and songs. Sat-Thur, 10.00-18.00, Latrun 1-700-559-559; www.minisrael.co.il

Spring Festival Children's theater, paper-making workshop, ceramics, recycling, musical instruments and mosaic workshops, tours of the Shir Hashirim Garden and theater shows (12.00, 15.00). Mon-Wed 10.00-16.00, The Ein Yael "Hands-on" Museum, Malcha (next to the Biblical Zoo). Details: (02) 645-1866, www.einyael.co.il



WHERE IT ALL BEGAN: The Herzl Museum in Jerusalem.

dance, music and various design fields. A "design city" will be set up at the Mediatheque plaza and at the Design Museum, where visitors can enjoy different activities. For the whole family. Sun-Wed, 10.00-18.00. Info: (073) 215-1515, www.dmh.org.il

White City Tours: Registration: (03) 546-4917, krpaule@hotmail.com:

Around Kikar Magen David Bialik and Sheinkin streets. In English. Sun, 11.30; **From Ahuzat Bayit to Big Tel Aviv** Rothschild Blvd. and Lev Tel Aviv. Wed, 14.00; **Ben-Gurion Blvd.** History and architecture from Attarim to Rabin Square. In English. Thur, 11.30

Bauhaus Tour Through the city's most prominent Bauhaus buildings built in the 1930s and '40s. In English. Fri, 10.00. Details: (03) 522-0249, www.bauhaus-center.com

Animals in the Haggadah Special activity, for the whole

get the creative juices flowing. Fri 10.00-15.00, Sat 11.00-17.00, Sun-Wed 10.00-18.00, Ornament Studio, 1 Hacaruv St., Rishpon (09) 951-1964, 054-768-2354

Visual Art in Old Jaffa Street festival in conjunction with Theatronetto (see Theater box), featuring art installations, video, sculptures and performances in the streets and alleyways. Also on offer will be guided tours and jazz concerts. Mon-Wed 18.00-22.00, Old Jaffa, (03) 603-7700, www.oldjaffa.co.il

Jerusalem and Area

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Herzl Museum Activities for the whole family include theatrical tours, comics workshop, historical quest, art workshops and more. Mon-Wed 10.00-16.00, Herzl Museum, at the entrance to Mt. Herzl, Herzl Blvd. (02) 632-1515, www.herzl.org.il

Jerusalem Botanical Gardens Garden exhibition, including



Shay Kabessa

CONSERVATION: Endangered animals at Hai-Bar Yotvata.



Doran Horowitz

MITZPE RAMON: Dance and music at Hangar Adama.



INSPIRED: Dvivo Design Studio at the Holon Design Week.



Tsofia van Grevenbroek

IN THE NEGEV: Ostrich farm opens for visitors.

in Arad The artists' Quarter in Arad will hold a celebration of art workshops for the whole family, including hat-making, acting, glass-blowing, mosaic and much more. Sun-Tues 10.00-19.00, Eshet Lot Artists' Quarter, Arad Industrial Center. Details: (08) 995-4160, (08) 995-1871
Passover at Hangar Adama Three days of dance shows, live music performances and movement workshops, with choreographers and dancers Liat Dror and Nir Ben Gal and guests. Mon-Wed, Hangar Adama, Mitzpe Ramon. Details and tickets: (08) 659-5190, www.adama.org.il

Agricultural Wonders in the Arava Guided tours for the whole family, exploring the history of the region and introducing new developments of flower, fruit, vegetables and fish species. Sun-Thur 9.00, 12.30, Yair Station, Hazeva Junction. Details: www.agri.arava.co.il, 052-683-8449

Zorba the Buddha Festival Festival celebrating meditation and yoga, with workshops, dance performances, music shows and children's activities. Tues-Thur, Desert Ashram. Tickets: www.desertashram.co.il, 052-544-3349

Family Happening at the Ostrich Farm The 30-year-old farm opens its gates for the first time to visitors with farm animals, ostriches, petting-corner, home-made cheeses, arts and crafts, ostrich products and a cafe. Sun-Thur, 9.00-17.00, Van Grevenbroek Ostrich Farm, near Eshkol Park, Western Negev's Besor region. Details: 052-690-1660

Passover at Timna Park An adventure for the whole family, including guided tours of the sites, creative workshops, rock climbing, pedal boats, bike rides, night tours and more. Sun-Wed 8.00-17.00, Timna Park (08) 631-6756, www.timna-park.co.il

Predators and Stars at Hai-Bar Yotvata Tour through the reserve and watch endangered animals, see nocturnal animals in the Dark Room and visit the predator center. Guided star watching and an astronomy lecture will be offered (Sun-Tues). Fri-Thur, Hai-Bar (08) 6373057

Spring Celebration in Hazeva Sunrise hikes to the Sheizaf Nature Reserve, morning walks for children and for the whole family, sunset tours, night tours and other evening activities. Sun-Thur, Hazeva Field School SPNI. (08) 658-1576/46

Haifa and the North

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Haifa International Flower Exhibition The most extensive flower show in Israel opens with over 500,000 flowers from around the world spread across 30 acres, including themed Flower Worlds created by Danish and Israeli designers. Also on offer for the whole family: outdoor events, a sculpture and herb garden, flower carpets, topiary gardens, a flower market, planting and seeding workshops, environmental workshops and more. Sat-Thur, 10.00-22.00, Hecht Park, Begin Way, south Haifa. Details: 106, www.haifaflower.co.il

Horses at the Hippodrome

Reenacting history in Caesarea, with horse shows (11.30, 14.00), as well as guided tours, meetings with historical figures and creative workshops in Roman style. Sun-Wed 10.00-16.00, Caesarea National Park. Details: *6550, (04) 626-7080

Street Art in Zichron Ya'akov Live music, dance shows, street circus, light shows, acrobats and tours. Mon, Tues 16.00-22.00, Zichron Ya'acov pedestrian mall (04) 629-1837

Open Museum of Photography For the whole family: workshops in 3D photography everyday, ecological theater (Sun at 17.00, Wed at 17.00) and more. Tel Hai Industrial Park. Info: (04) 681-6702, www.iparks.co.il

Galil Mountain Winery Treasure

quest throughout the Upper Galilee region, discovering secret spots. Sun-Thur, Kibbutz Yiron, Upper Galilee. Details: (04) 686-8748, www.galilmountain.co.il

Ecological Happening at the Open Museum Green activities for the whole family, including environmental workshops and plays. Sun-Wed 10.00-16.00, Thur 10.00-14.00, Tefen Industrial Park. Info: (04) 987-2022, www.omuseums.org.il

Passover at Ein Gev Daily activities include a sailing science laboratory (10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 14.00, 15.00), train rides, woodwork workshop, clowns, art fairs, daily theater performances for children (17.00) and musical performances for adults (17.00, 20.00). Sun-Wed all-day. Ein Gev Port (04) 665-8008, www.eingev.co.il

Stone in the Galilee Festival

The international sculpture symposium and exhibition hosts artists from Israel and abroad as they display their stone sculptures in the open air of the Galilee. With activities, workshops, children's plays and performances for the whole family. Sun-Wed 11.00-20.00, Monfort lake, Ma'alot-Tarshiha. Details: (04) 957-8871/68, www.maltar.org.il

Adama-Ma Activities for the whole family, including tours of exhibits as well as sculpting and ecological creative workshops. Sun-Thur 10.00-15.00. Wilfrid Israel Museum, Kibbutz Hazorea (04) 989-9566

The South

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Family Creation Happening

AACI Passover walking tours

The Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel offers tours and hikes in Jerusalem, in English, on such subjects as archaeology, architecture and history. Registration is required for each tour. April 8-15. Jerusalem. Details: www.aaci.org.il; (02) 566-1181

Tradition, Faith and Myth on Mt. Zion From King David to Oscar Schindler's tomb. Sun at 10.00. 054-436-3771

Spring and Springs A 3-4 hour hike around vineyards and springs in the Judean hills. Sun at 10.00. 050-562-4856

From Beit David to Beit Ticho Visit the

homes of Ha'rav Kook and Anna Ticho. Sun at 14.00. 054-522-1665, (02) 671-3770

Warriors & Freedom Fighters in the Judean Hills In the footsteps of Bar-Kochba and the Lamed-Hey convoy to Gush-Ezion (by private cars). Sun at 14.00. 050-562-4856

Rediscovering Rehavia Mon at 10.00. 054-783-7998

Getting to Know the Shuk The ins and outs of Mahaneh Yehuda market, with food columnist Sybil Kaplan. Mon at 10.00, 14.00. (02) 671-5135

Old Neighborhoods in the Inner City

Circular walk through the Bucharian Quarter, Ha'rav Kook St., Ethiopia St., Zichron Moshe and more. Mon at 11.00. 054-783-7998

Ramat Rachel and Talpiot Archaeological excavations from the First Temple period through the Byzantine period. Mon at 19.00. 054-783-7998

From Jaffa Gate to Hinnom Valley Excavations and ancient cave tombs. Tues at 10.00. 054-436-3771

The Jewish Quarter in the 19th Century Including synagogues and the Old Yishuv Court Museum. Tues at 14.00. 054-522-1665, (02) 671-3770

Historic Hansen Hospital and Gardens Wed at 10.00. 054-744-6123

Bridge of Strings and Romema Wed at 10.00. 054-522-1665, (02) 671-3770

From Mt. Scopus to the City of David Emek Tzurim, Kidron Valley, Mt. Olives. Wed at 10.00. 054-436-3771

Ancient Water Systems to Jerusalem Along Nachal Ha'pirim, the Second Temple period water system, through local vineyards and Dagan Hill overlooking Solomon's Pools. Thur at 10.00. 050-562-4856

King David Street For the whole family. Thur at 10.00. (02) 671-3770, 054-522-1665