

# Journey of a People

Yom HaShoah, Yom HaZikaron and Yom HaAtzmaut, together called Yamim or “days,” reflect the great journey of the Jewish people — from slavery to freedom, from victimization to sovereignty. People from all faiths and backgrounds can find meaning in the Jewish experience. That’s why this year we will be celebrating Yom HaAtzmaut (Israel’s Independence Day) and the Walk for Israel in a new location. The Milwaukee County War Memorial is a fitting setting for all Milwaukeeans to commemorate the establishment of Israel and to celebrate peace.



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Yom HaShoah | May 1 | 3 pm

Yom HaZikaron | May 11 | 6 pm

Yom HaAtzmaut | May 15 | 4 pm

*new location!*



Sam Gingold and Jacob deJong



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## Holocaust Remembrance Day

**Day:** Sunday, May 1 at 3:00 pm  
**Location:** Harry & Rose Samson Family JCC, 6255 N. Santa Monica Blvd.  
**Co-chairs:** Dr. Rachel Baum and Dr. Bonnie Klein-Tasman

## Yom HaZikaron

Israel's Day of Remembrance honors veterans and fallen military personnel of the Israel Defense Forces, other Israeli security services and victims of terror. This year we will give special honor to victims of terror. Guest speaker: Ephraim Shapiro

Ephraim Shapiro grew up in Milwaukee until 2004, attended Milwaukee Jewish Day School, and visited Israel many times with his family. After graduating from the University of Pittsburgh with a degree in political science and Arabic, he made *Aliyah* and joined the IDF with the program Garin Tzabar in August 2012. His group of 27 lone soldiers lived on Kibbutz Urim in the southern Eshkol region that borders Gaza. In December 2012, he joined an elite combat unit in the Intelligence Corps. After two meaningful years, he finished his service and currently works in Israel's booming startup industry.

## Israeli Independence Day

**Day:** Sunday, May 15 from 4:00 - 6:30 pm  
**Location:** **Milwaukee County War Memorial Center, 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive** (easy in-and-out access along Milwaukee's lakefront)  
**Co-chairs:** Laura Graupe and Alex Blumin

**NEW LOCATION!**

## Yom HaShoah

### Special Features

- Keynote Speaker: Sam Harris  
Sam Harris, one of the few Jewish children to survive the camps, was the driving force behind the creation of the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center in Skokie, Illinois. He is President Emeritus of the Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois, and speaks extensively about the lessons of the Holocaust. In 2009 Chicago Magazine named Mr. Harris one of six Chicagoans of the Year.
- Distinguished Guest: Bishop Richard J. Sklba, S.T.D., Bishop Emeritus, Archdiocese of Milwaukee
- Winners of Holocaust Youth Essay Contest



## Day of Remembrance

**Day:** Wednesday, May 11 at 6:00 pm  
**Location:** Harry & Rose Samson Family JCC, 6255 N. Santa Monica Blvd.  
**Co-chairs:** Monica Arnstein and Amy Bazelon



## Yom HaAtzmaut

Show your support during Wisconsin's largest celebration of Israel

- Opening Ceremony: 4-4:30 pm\*
- Walk for Israel (Two-mile solidarity walk in the Veterans Park area): 4:30-5:30 pm\*
- Celebration, Concert, Food & Activities for all ages: 5:30-6:30 pm\*

\*Times are approximate

FREE parking at event and FREE transportation available from various North Shore locations!

See MilwaukeeJewish.org/Yamim for details

