

NHC WINTER RETREAT 2023 REGISTRATION FORM

**NATIONAL HAVURAH COMMITTEE
NEW ENGLAND WINTER RETREAT
CAMP RAMAH, PALMER, MA
DECEMBER 15-17, 2023**

Studying Torah and vibrant, musical Kabbalat Shabbat services begin our weekend together. Friday continues with dinner, singing, and study sessions. Participate in spirited prayer, or contemplative meditation, take walks in the woods or at the lake, study accessible texts, learn and sing new songs, stretch your body and your mind with engaging study and discussion all weekend long. The retreat ends after lunch on Sunday.

Camp Ramah in New England is located just outside of Palmer, MA, a few miles north of exit 8 off the Mass. Turnpike. The camp is about 75 minutes from Boston, MA or Hartford, CT; 90 minutes from Albany, NY, or Providence RI; and about 3 hours from New York City.

Camp Ramah has an indoor recreation facility, a lake, wooded walking paths, informal lounges, seminar rooms, a state-of-the-art Beit Midrash complex, a Judaic library, and a prayer space. Accommodations are simple, comfortable, and fully winterized. Single rooms and "motel-style" rooms are available. Meals are kosher, with vegetarian options. Towels, linens, and blankets are provided.

Participants from the 413 Area Code can attend for 50% off thanks to a Jewish Family Camp grant available from the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. Visit <https://www.hgf.org/grants-awards/jewish-family-camps> or contact the retreat co-chairs for information before registering.

***Course Preferences.** To assist in scheduling, please list the numbers of four courses that each registrant would most like to take. A final schedule will be provided when you arrive. See reverse side for brief course descriptions. For detailed course descriptions, go to:

<http://havurah.org/nhc-winter-2023>

****Insurance.** With an additional "insurance" payment of 10%, fees may be applied to the next NHC Winter Retreat if weather or serious illness prevents you from attending.

To register, complete this form and send it, with your check, payable to **NHC New England Retreat, c/o Steve Lewis, 162 Hampshire St, #1L, Cambridge, MA 02139.** We cannot accept on-site registrations. **Please return your form by November 21 to avoid the late fee.**

Questions? Contact your retreat co-chairs:

Steve Lewis 617-714-4993
Mark Frydenberg 781-893-7312
ne-retreat@havurah.org

Registrant 1's Name
Day Phone
Evening Phone
Email
Home Address
*Course Preferences
Registrant 2's Name
Day Phone
Evening Phone
Email
Home Address
*Course Preferences
Names and Ages of Children

- I would like to share a room with: _____
- I need a ride ___to / ___from the Retreat.
- I can offer a ride to _____ people from my area. Have them call me.
From where? _____ When? _____

We will confirm your registration by email unless you check the box below.

- I don't have email. Please send a printed confirmation by US Mail.
- If you have special dietary, accessibility, or other requirements, please include a note describing your needs.

FEE SCHEDULE – REGISTER BY NOV 21 TO AVOID THE LATE FEE

Program, Room, Linens, and Meals Fee:

- Adult, Over Age 29, NHC members
- Adult, Over Age 29, non-NHC members
- Adult, College Student or thru age 29, NHC members
- Adult, College Student or thru Age 29, non-members
- Child, Age 2 through High School
- Child, Ages 0 to 1
- Private Bedroom Surcharge
- "Motel-type" Suite (limited avail.) Surcharge
- Commuter's Program Fee
- Commuter's Meal Fee (per person per meal)

Cost	#	Total
265		
295		
195		
225		
75		
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110		
175		
95		
15		
60		
120		
25		

- Subtotal:**
- **Optional Insurance** (+10% of Subtotal)
- Optional Individual NHC Membership
- Optional Family NHC Membership
- Late Fee (after November 21)
- Tax-Deductible Contribution**
- Total Payment:**

VOLUNTEER

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Help at Friday Afternoon Registration <input type="checkbox"/> Friday afternoon Orientation and Study <input type="checkbox"/> Help Coordinate Torah Readers <input type="checkbox"/> Help arrange rides <input type="checkbox"/> Help make phone calls or assist with logistics or publicity before the retreat <input type="checkbox"/> Help with Kids' Program <input type="checkbox"/> Help with Closing Program | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Help with Services <input type="checkbox"/> Friday Evening <input type="checkbox"/> Shabbat Morning <input type="checkbox"/> Shabbat Afternoon <input type="checkbox"/> Dvar Torah <input type="checkbox"/> Lead Torah Study <input type="checkbox"/> Read ___ Torah or ___ Haftarah <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Ma-ariv and Havdalah <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday Morning <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Tell us!) _____ |
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TEACHERS AND COURSES

For complete course descriptions, go to: <http://havurah.org/nhc-winter-2023>

Solomon Mowshowitz

1 - Kissing in the Synagogue

2 - V'ZOT HaTORAH....."and this is the Torah" Oh yeah?

Solomon Mowshowitz is a retired molecular biologist, past NHC Chair, and long-time NHC teacher.

Ronnie Levin

3 - Bible stories you didn't learn in Sunday school

4 - Who's the God of our prayers?

Ronnie Levin holds a graduate degree in Bible and Tefilah, and is a long-time popular Havurah teacher.

Miriam Rosalyn Diamond

5 - Revelation in the Café: God-Sightings in the poetry of Lea Goldberg and Yehuda Amichai

6 - Tradition + Art + History = Drama: A participatory play reading and discussion about the Birds' Head Haggadah

Dr. Miriam Rosalyn Diamond is an educator, writer, and Jewish music DJ who enjoys fostering engagement and reflection through the arts.



Dalia Wolfson

7 - The Yiddish Landscape Today

8 - Yiddish Pulp Fiction ("Shund"): Guilty Pleasures from the Archives

Dalia Wolfson is a PhD candidate at Harvard University. She is editor of Texts and Translations at the journal "In geveb," and teaches Yiddish language and literature in the Boston area.

Carl Woolf

9 - "And Pharaoh dreamed".... Do we really believe dreams provide spiritual guidance?

10 - So you want to leyn (ritually chant) some Psalms?

Carl Woolf is a software engineer, was recently ordained as a Rabbi by ALEPH, as well as continuing to make music.



Joe Rosenstein

11 - Pirkei Avot (Ethics of the Fathers): The Big Picture

12 - The Ethics in "Ethics of the Fathers"

Joe Rosenstein is a long-time teacher at the NHC. He has published the widely used Siddur Eit Ratzon and Machzor Eit Ratzon, and has now published "Reflections on Pirkei Avot: Not Just What My Rebbe Taught Me."

Deborah B. Thompson

13 - Extraordinary Letters in Our Torah Scrolls

14 - Mother, Queen, Wife, Judge: The Seven Prophetesses of the Torah

Deborah B. Thompson is a scholar of Jewish Art, Jewish History, and Masorah with degrees from Brandeis and The Jewish Theological Seminary. She is currently pursuing her doctorate at Harvard University.

Aliza Arzt

15 - Why is this word in the Kaddish?

16 - Using Liturgy for Tikkun Olam (repairing the world)

Aliza Arzt is a long-time member of Havurat Shalom in Somerville, MA, and teacher at NHC retreats.

Sue Gulack

17 - What Happens When You Die?

18 - Make a Needle Felted Mizrach or Challah Cover

Sue Gulack is chair of the NHC. She is a Rabbi and chaplain from Albany, NY, and explores the spiritual, intellectual, emotional and physical worlds through prayer, study, and art.



Josh Shalem Schreiber

19 - To Bend the Knee and Bless: a Somatic Exploration of Bowing in Prayer

20 - The Hidden Miracle of Hanukkah

Saturday Night Entertainment

...features a talent show, group singing led by **Josh Shalem Schreiber** and others, and joined by our musical attendees in an open-ended jam session. Bring copies of Rise Up Singing!

Josh Shalem Schreiber is a long-term havurahnik, and an active member of Havurat Shalom in Somerville, MA; a popular NHC teacher, a certified teacher of the Feldenkrais Method® of Somatic Education, a performing musician, and a recently ordained Rabbi by ALEPH.