

encounter
presents

Judaism à la carte

a unique way to
taste spirituality, catered to
your own interests

Kick off the
year with some
Jewish soul food!

Introducing a new way to learn about Judaism: Judaism à la Carte. If you crave the knowledge but can't stand sitting through another boring class, this menu is for you. Our diverse educational and social programs are presented in a fun,

relaxed atmosphere that will satisfy your appetite for Jewish identity while introducing you to new friends. All events are led, not taught, by dynamic rabbis and mentors. Whatever your questions or interests, you will be able to find answers and gain a deeper understanding of your Jewishness. Sample some kabbalah. Try a little schmooze. It's all here. Bon Appetit!

All courses are all-you-can-learn for \$18, unless otherwise noted. Reservations required. Your table is waiting...

hors d'oeuvres

To whet your appetite.

smorgasbord I

A little taste of everything. Judaism in 5 sessions: G-d, Shabbat, Prayer, Jewish Law, Sexuality.

Mondays, 7:45 p.m., Etz Chaim Owings Mills.
Starts January 8 and repeats February 12.

krispy kremes & kabbalah

The soul, reincarnation and life after life. 5 sessions.

Wednesdays, 8 p.m., Etz Chaim Owings Mills.
Starts January 10.

the best kept secret in Judaism—the rashi crash course (6 weeks)

Rashi: The Bible's greatest, yet least known commentator. Study Rashi's insights about life, relationships, personal growth and astrology.

Wednesdays, 8 p.m., Mercaz-Beth Tfiloh.
Starts January 10.

politics, intrigue and attempted murder

Royal intrigue in the Book of Samuel.

Thursdays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. in a home setting. For women only. Call for location.
In conjunction with the Hoffberger Foundation for Torah Studies.
Starts January 11.

read hebrew america

Learn to read a 5,000 year-old language in 5 weeks.

Thursdays, 7:45 p.m., Etz Chaim Owings Mills.
Starts January 11 and repeats February 15.

all about eve

A program for, by and about Jewish women. From "the beginning" to today, the many important roles that women play in Jewish life. 6 sessions.

Mondays 8 p.m. in a home setting.
Call for location. January 15, 22, and 29.
Wednesdays, February 7, 14 and 21.



entrées

After you've tasted the hors d'oeuvres, try something meatier.

face the issues

Insights and outlooks to inspire your daily life. Lessons from the weekly Torah portion. 5 Sessions.

Mondays, 8 p.m., Etz Chaim Fords Lane.
Starts January 8.

mission control

A comprehensive tour of the personalities, events and issues which have shaped Jewish history and contemporary

Jewish life. 16 weeks.

Tuesdays, 8 p.m., Etz Chaim Owings Mills. \$54 course fee.
Starts January 9.

crash course in talmud

Not for the faint of heart. A challenging 5 week introduction to the prime rib of Judaism—talmudic thinking. No Hebrew necessary.

In conjunction with the Hoffberger Foundation for Torah Studies.

Mondays, 8 p.m., Bonnie Ridge Apartments Club House.
Starts January 29.

smorgasbord II

Another serving of basic Judaism with Jewish history, the life cycle, traditions, kabbalah and the Jewish calendar. 5 Sessions.

Mondays, 7:45 p.m., Etz Chaim Owings Mills.
Starts February 12.

krispier kremes & kabbalah II

Just when you thought they couldn't get any kremier. A hands-on look at Jewish mystical texts. 5 weeks.

Wednesdays, 8 p.m., Etz Chaim Owings Mills.
Starts February 14.

read hebrew america II

This year, read the Passover Haggadah from right to left and understand the mystical meaning of the Hebrew alphabet.

5 Sessions.

Thursdays, 7:45 p.m., Etz Chaim Owings Mills.
Starts February 15.

