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BIBLIOGRAPHY- JEWS IN AMERICA

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GENERAL NON-FICTION:

<u>CALL #</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
601.9 AME*	Gordis, David M. & Dorit P. Gary (eds.)	American Jewry: Portrait and Prognosis A work of significant importance to an understanding of the many dimensions of contemporary Jewish life.
774.1 ANG*	Angel, Marc D.	La America: The Sephardic Experience in the United States The story of the more than 25,000 Sephardim who entered the United States between 1899 and 1925.
662.7 BEL	Belth, Nathan C.	A Promise to Keep: A Narrative of the American Encounter with Anti-Semitism A sweeping narrative of anti-Semitism in America from the colonial era through the 1960s and the Jewish efforts to realize the promise of religious freedom and freedom from minority discrimination.
771.1 BRI*	Brilliant, Richard	Facing the New World: Jewish Portraits in Colonial and Federal America Published in conjunction with an exhibit of the same name at the Jewish Museum, New York, 1997-1998.
601.9 COH*	Cohen, Steven M. & Arnold M. Eisen	The Jew Within: Self, Family, and Community in America The authors convey the meaning of Jewish identity, Jewish belief, and Jewish practice among the baby boomer generation of American Jews.
655 COW	Cowan, Paul	An Orphan in History: Retrieving a Jewish Legacy Paul Cowan grew up unaware that he was a descendant of rabbis. In one assimilated generation, five thousand years of religion and culture had been lost. When his parents died in a tragic fire, Paul began a search for that part of his parents that had perished in America.

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647.1 DAV	Davidson, Gabriel	Our Jewish Farmers and the Story of the Agricultural Society From its inception in 1990, the Jewish Agricultural Society has been a major influence in the development of a class of Jewish farmers in the U.S. and the rebirth of agricultural consciousness among Jews in America.
772.3 DER	Dershowitz, Alan M.	Chutzpah

Dershowitz provides a fascinating and provocative reflection on his generation of Jews in America: the changes they've witnessed, the changes they've created and the changes that must still take place.

- 655 DER*** **Dershowitz, Alan M.** **The Vanishing American Jew: In Search of Jewish Identity for the Next Century**
The author shows why American Jews are in danger of disappearing – and what must be done to create a renewed sense of Jewish identity for the next century.
- 668 DOL*** **Dollinger, Marc** **Quest for Inclusion: Jews and Liberalism in Modern America**
Chronicles the history of American Jewish liberalism between 1933 and 1975 and asks how such a small ethnic and religious minority grew to such importance in American political life.
- 660.8 EIS** **Eisen, Arnold M.** **The Chosen People in America: A Study in Jewish Religious Ideology**
What does it mean to be a Jew in America? Eisen analyzes the attempts of American Jewish thinkers to adapt the notion of chosenness to an American context.
- 655 FEI** **Fein, Leonard** **Where Are We? The Inner Life of America's Jews**
A major and eloquent inquiry into the current state of Jewish beliefs and attitudes and a bracing guide for America's perplexed Jews.
- 601.9 FRE*** **Freedman, Samuel G.** **Jew vs. Jew: The Struggle for the Soul of American Jewry**
This book tells the story of how American Jewry has increasingly – and perhaps terminally – broken apart in the last forty years.
- 770 GLA** **Glazer, Nathan** **American Judaism: (2nd edition)**
The major thesis is that Jews have been at once a people and a religious group. The book traces how this dualism has played out in American Jewish history, from the first settlement in New Amsterdam through the impact on American Jews of the 1967 Israeli war.
- BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: GENERAL NON-FICTION**
- 772.3 GOL** **Golden, Harry with Richard Goldhurst** **Travels Through Jewish America**
A revealing portrait of Jewish America as Harry Golden interviews members of the Jewish community in ten cities.
- 598 HAR** **Harap, Louis** **The Image of the Jew in American Literature: From Early Republic to Mass Immigration**
A study of the Jewish image in poetry and fiction from the Revolutionary period through the beginnings of the American Jewish novel and into the early 20th century.
- 796.7 ISR*** **Israelowitz, Oscar** **United States Jewish Travel Guide, (6th edition)**
Tells where to find kosher restaurants and provisions, synagogues, Chabad Houses and mikvehs, entertainment, Jewish museums, historic Jewish landmarks and sites. Contains hundreds of e-mail addresses.
- 606.7 KRA** **Kramer, Judith R. & Seymour Leventman** **Children of the Gilded Ghetto: Conflict Resolutions of Three Generations of American Jews**

A close-up portrait of Jews in a typical American city – their lives, the problems they face, and the succession of generations, from Orthodox immigrant grandfathers to sons rebelling against them to *their* sons, children of the suburbs.

- 665 LEV** **Leviatin, David** **Followers of the Trail: Jewish Working-Class Radicals in America**
An oral and photographic history of a group of Jewish workers – immigrants and “fellow travelers” – who, in 1929, founded a summer retreat near Peekskill, New York.
- 606.7 LIP*** **Lipset, Seymour Martin & Earl Raab** **Jews and the New American Scene**
The authors explore the question, “Will American Jews survive their success?” Or will the United States’ unique hospitable environment lead inexorably to their assimilation and loss of cultural identity?
- 638 MOR** **Morris, Robert (ed.)** **Trends and Issues in Jewish Social Welfare in the United States, 1899-1952: The History of American Jewish Welfare, Seen Through the Proceedings and Reports of the National Conference of Jewish Communal Service**
Selected papers, culled from a sixty-year record, tracing the main course of evolution of American Jewish social welfare and philanthropy.
- BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: GENERAL NON-FICTION / HISTORY**
- 601.9 ROS** **Rosenberg, Stuart E.** **America Is Different: The Search for Jewish Identity**
Addresses the question, “Can Judaism, in an America that is different, retain its own unique character and serve as a spiritual influence in the lives of Jews who do not feel different?”
- 606.7 SIL** **Silberman, Charles E.** **A Certain People: American Jews and Their Lives Today**
An illuminating portrait of the past and present state of American Jewry in all its complexity, richness and diversity, with an analysis of the new issues and options that lie ahead for both the Jewish community and the United States.
- 636.2 SLO*** **Slobin, Mark** **Chosen Voices: The Story of the American Cantorate**
A definitive survey that traces the development of the American cantorate, drawing on archives, photographs, and interviews with cantors.
- 638.8 SLO*** **Slomovitz, Albert Isaac** **The Fighting Rabbis: Jewish Military Chaplains and American History**
A history of American rabbis serving as chaplains in the country's armed forces. Includes archival materials and interviews with past and present chaplains.
- 601.9 WER** **Wertheimer, Jack** **A People Divided: Judaism in Contemporary America**
Analysis of American Judaism in the last half of the twentieth century. It won the 1993-94 National Jewish Book Award for the best book on contemporary Jewry.
- 606.7 YAF** **Yaffe, James** **The American Jews**
A clear, detailed and highly entertaining picture of the American Jewish community that probes the emotional conflicts, the confusion, the weaknesses and strengths of the American Jewish character.

HISTORY:
772.1 ALE*

Alexander, Michael Jazz Age Jews

By the 1920s, Jews were – by all economic, political and cultural measures of the day – making it in America. But as these people took their places in American society, many deliberately identified with groups that remained excluded.

770 BIR

Birmingham, Stephen The Grandees: America’s Sephardic Elite

Fascinating history of America’s first Jewish families and their descendents, who have chosen to remain aloof from the hordes of later-arriving Jews from Europe.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: HISTORY

770 BIR

Birmingham, Stephen “Our Crowd”: The Great Jewish Families of New York

Inside look at New York’s great Jewish banking and retailing families.

770 BIR

Birmingham, Stephen “The Rest of Us”: The Rise of America’s Eastern European Jews

The story of the Eastern European Jews who, between 1882-1915, thronged into New York harbor to escape Czarist Russia and stayed to prosper in the New World.

772.3 CHA

Chafets, Ze’ev Members of the Tribe: On the Road in Jewish America

Engaging, moving and insightful, this looks beyond stereotypes at people who, for reasons they don’t always understand, continue to be members of the tribe.

770 DAW

Dawidowicz, Lucy S. On Equal Terms: Jews in America 1881-1981

The author summarizes the history of the Jews in America prior to 1881, then focuses on the last one hundred years and demonstrates how, despite prejudice and hardship, the Jewish population has thrived in the pluralistic society of the United States.

770 DIM

Dimont, Max I. The Jews in America: The Roots, History, and Destiny of American Jews

A fascinating history of the Jews in America from 1654 to 1978 with speculation about the future role of American Jewry.

771.3 DIN

Diner, Hasia R. The Jewish People in America: A Time for Gathering: The Second Migration 1820-1880

This book focuses on the “German” period of the middle decades of the nineteenth century. It challenges this simplifying label and questions some of the images that pervade the history of these years.

770 EYE v. 2

Eisenberg, Azriel (ed.) Eyewitnesses to American Jewish History: A History of American Jewry: Part II, the German Immigration 1800-1875

770 EYE v. 3

Eisenberg, Azriel (ed.) Eyewitnesses to American Jewish History: A History of American Jewry: Part III, the Eastern European European Immigration 1881-1920

770 EYE v. 4

Eisenberg, Azriel (ed.) Eyewitnesses to American Jewish History: A History of

American Jewry: Part IV, the American Jews 1915-1969

Speeches, letters, memoirs, newspaper accounts bring to life the major events of American Jewish history as witnessed by the men and women who lived them.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: HISTORY

- 770 FEL** **Feldstein, Stanley** **The Land That I Show You: Three Centuries of Jewish Life in America**
Comprehensive history of over three hundred years of Jewish life in America from 1654 to the 1970s.
- 798 FRI** **Friedman, Lee M.** **Jewish Pioneers and Patriots**
Friedman has unearthed fresh information about the connections of Jews with America from the time before the Pilgrims arrived to the First World War.
- 771 FRI*** **Friedman, Saul S.** **Jews and the American Slave Trade**
The author documents historical evidence suggesting that Jews played a minimal role in the transatlantic, South American, Caribbean, and antebellum slave trades.
- 798 GOL** **Goldberg, J. J.** **The Jewish Americans**
How the Jews arrived and became part of America's heritage.
- 772.3 KAH** **Kahn, Roger** **The Passionate People: What It Means to Be a Jew in America**
A series of essays, based on personal interviews, about Jews in America in the post-Holocaust period, 19 years after Hitler's death.
- 770 KOP** **Lionel Koppman & Bernard Postal** **Guess Who's Jewish in American History**
Stories of over 100 Jewish men and women who played vital roles in American history. Arranged by the fields in which they left their marks.
- 771.4 KOR** **Korn, Bertram W.** **American Jewry and the Civil War**
A moving biography of the Jewish community – North, South and West – in its struggle for equality and dignity under the duress of the war between the states.
- 770 LEA** **Learsi, Rufus** **The Jews in America: A History**
Begins with a group of twenty-three fugitives who received grudging asylum in Nieuw Amsterdam in 1654, and follows the growth of the American Jewish community to five million proud and useful citizens three hundred years later.
- 770 LEB** **Lebeson, Anita Libman** **Pilgrim People: Updated Edition**
A history of the Jews in America from 1492-1974.
- 770 LEV** **Levinger, Lee J.** **A History of the Jews in the United States**
A text for the study of American Jewish history in the high-school classes of Jewish schools.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: HISTORY

- 771.5 MAN** **Manners, Ande** **Poor Cousins**
The German Jews had preceded the arrival of their "poor cousins," Jews from Eastern Europe, by a half century. Now, affluent and integrated, they set forth to educate and Americanize the new arrivals.

- 771.1 MAR** **Marcus, Jacob Rader** **American Jewry: Documents: Eighteenth Century**
Presents a vivid picture of life of eighteenth-century North American Jews, through the medium of contemporary documents.
- 771.1 MAR v.2** **Marcus, Jacob Rader** **Early American Jewry: The Jews of Pennsylvania and the South 1655-1790**
The author views the participation of the Jews in the development of America through the eyes and experiences of the men and women actually involved.
- 770 MEL** **Meltzer, Milton (ed.)** **The Jewish Americans: A History in Their Own Words 1650-1950**
Jews from every walk of life tell what the American experience has meant to them.
- 772.3 MOO** **Moore, Deborah Dash** **To the Golden Cities: Pursuing the American Jewish Dream in Miami and L.A.**
After World War II, spurred by a post-war economic boom, American Jews sought new beginnings in the nation's South and West. There, they transformed the golden cities as much as the golden cities transformed them.
- 770 POS v. 1, 2, 4** **Postal, Bernard & Lionel Koppman** **American Jewish Landmarks: A Travel Guide and History**
Puts tourist information in historical perspective in well-researched essays that trace the development of Jewish communities. Vol 1: East; Vol. II: South and Southwest; Vol. IV: West.
- 770 RAU** **Rausch, David** **Friends, Colleagues & Neighbors: Jewish Contributions to American History**
A Christian historian takes a professional look at significant contributions made by Jews to American history.
- 771.4 RUB** **Rubinger, Naphtali J.** **Abraham Lincoln and the Jews**
A short, popular and readable account of the unique couplings of fate which have joined the life of Abraham Lincoln with the emerging American Jewish community of the mid-nineteenth century.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA : HISTORY

- 770 SAC*** **Sachar, Howard M.** **A History of the Jews in America**
Considered the most comprehensive single volume on the subject, both scholarly and absorbing and filled with vivid detail.
- 771 SHA** **Sharfman, I. Harold** **The Frontier Jews**
An account of Jewish pioneers and settlers in early America.
- 770.4 SHE** **Shepard, Richard F. & Vickie Gold Levi** **Live and Be Well: A Celebration of Yiddish Culture in America from the First Immigrants to the Second World War**
A collection of essays, arranged alphabetically by subject, portraying the traditions of Yiddish culture in the "Golden Land." Illustrated with photos, cartoons, theater posters and song sheets.
- 771 SIM** **Simonhoff, Harry** **Jewish Notables in America 1776-1865: Links of an**

Endless Chain

A collection of biographical sketches presented with imagination and vividness.

- 770 SIM** **Simons, Howard** **Jewish Times: Voices of the American Jewish Experience**
A carefully crafted portrait of Jewish life in America, drawn from a series of interviews conducted across the U.S. by the author over a four-year period. Those interviewed include both the famous and the obscure.
- 770 SUH** **Suhl, Yuri** **An Album of the Jews in America**
Photographs and text about the Jewish experience in America from Columbus' time through 1971.
- 772 TEL** **Teller, Judd L.** **Strangers and Natives: The Evolution of the American Jew from 1921 to the Present**
Conveys the flavor of the years and events since 1921 which transformed the American Jew from stranger to native.
- 770 WIS** **Wischnitzer, Mark** **Visas to Freedom: The History of HIAS**
The history of the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) commemorates the tercentenary of the landing of the first group of Jews on North American shores, September 24, 1654.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: BIOGRAPHIES – COLLECTIVE

BIOGRAPHIES - COLLECTIVE:

- 798.7 AUT** **Ribalow, Harold U. (ed.)** **Autobiographies of American Jews**
Exerpts from the adventurous lives of Jewish men and women exemplifying their adjustment to and participation in American life.
- 798.2 GUGGENHEIM** **Davis, John H.** **The Guggenheims: An American Epic**
The story of one of the richest and most influential families in American history.
- 798 FRO*** **Frommer, Myrna Katz & Harvey Frommer** **Growing Up Jewish in America: An Oral History**
Childhood reminiscences of a hundred men and women, from 22 to 99 years old, create a portrait of Jewish American life in the twentieth century.
- 798 HAR** **Harris, Leon** **Merchant Princes: An Intimate History of Jewish Families Who Built Great Department Stores**
Exciting stories of some of America's great storekeeping families, such as the Gimbels, Strauses Goldwaters, Filenes, Rosenwalds, Magnins.
- 798.2 SZOLD** **Levin, Alexandra Lee** **The Szolds of Lombard Street: A Baltimore Family 1859-1909**
Henrietta Szold's family, the story of a rabbinic household in Baltimore in the second half of the nineteenth century.
- 771.1 LON** **London, Hannah R.** **Portraits of Jews: By Gilbert Stuart and Other Early**

American Artists

Early American artists, who settled first in Newport, had come to America, like the Puritans, to escape persecution.

- 798 RAB** **Rabinowitz, Dorothy** **New Lives: Survivors of the Holocaust Living in America**
The author explores, with insight and compassion, how those who survived the Holocaust have managed to return to the ordinary world of the living.
- 798.2** **Reznikoff, Charles** **Family Chronicle**
REZNIKOFF Three narratives - told by mother, father and son - about their lives in Russia and subsequently as emigrants in America.
- 798 VOR** **Vorspan, Albert** **Giants of Justice**
Great American Jews of the twentieth century and their contributions to social justice.
- BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: BIOGRAPHIES - INDIVIDUAL**

BIOGRAPHIES - INDIVIDUAL:

All the biographies listed below are classified with the call # 799 followed by the name of the subject of the biography.

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
Abram, Morris B.		The Day Is Short: An Autobiography A story of Abram's triumph over cancer and his commitment to the fight for human rights.
Bellow, Saul	Atlas, James	Bellow The first definitive biography of the Nobel prize-winning author.
Benjamin, Judah P.	Evans, Eli N.	Judah P. Benjamin: The Jewish Confederate The first acknowledged Jew in the U.S. Senate, Benjamin became Jefferson Davis' Attorney General, Secretary of War and Secretary of State.
Berger, Joseph		Displaced Persons: Growing Up American after the Holocaust Account of how one family of Polish Jews managed to make a life for themselves in an utterly foreign landscape.
Bernstein, Leonard	Secrest, Meryle	Leonard Bernstein: A Life Relates Bernstein's life as child prodigy, composer, teacher, charismatic personality.

Bloom, Sol

The Autobiography of Sol Bloom

U.S. businessman and politician, elected to Congress in 1923, becoming Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee. Served as a delegate to the 1945 San Francisco conference that wrote the U.N. charter.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: BIOGRAPHIES – INDIVIDUAL

Brandeis, Louis D.

Goldman, Solomon (ed.)

The Words of Justice Brandeis

Brandeis' views written on a wide variety of subjects, arranged alphabetically by topic.

Brandeis, Louis D.

Todd, A.L.

Justice on Trial: The Case of Louis D. Brandeis

An account of the bitter struggle in the U.S. Senate, in 1916, over confirmation of Brandeis as Associate Justice.

Cohen, Henry

**Nathan, Anne &
Harry I. Cohen**

The Man Who Stayed in Texas:

The Life of Rabbi Henry Cohen

Legendary Galveston rabbi, famous for his relief efforts after the hurricane of 1900 and his other pioneering humanitarian work.

Ford, Henry*

Baldwin, Neil

Henry Ford and the Jews: The Mass Production of Hate

The inventor of the automobile assembly line promoted a virulent brand of anti-Semitism, disseminating his point of view through a privately published newspaper.

Gershwin, George

Kresh, Paul

An American Rhapsody: The Story of George Gershwin

Part of the Jewish Biography Series, this book presents facts and anecdotes about Gershwin, his family and friends.

Geyzer, Fred

Todd, Gail

An Oral History of Fred Geyzer: A Conversation with My Father

A Jewish family's story, from the pogroms in Russia to life in the United States.

Golden, Harry

The Right Time: An Autobiography by Harry Golden

The editor of the *Carolina Israelite* and world-famous author tells the story of his life.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: BIOGRAPHIES - INDIVIDUAL

Goodman, Benny

Benny: King of Swing: A Pictorial Biography Based on Benny Goodman's Personal Archives

With 212 illustrations.

Greenberg, Hank

The Story of My Life

First Jewish baseball player elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Hertzberg, Arthur*

A Jew in America: My Life and a People's Struggle for Identity

Rabbi Hertzberg's life as an activist, author, historian, public servant and confidante to the powerful.

Holtzmann, Fanny

Berkman, Ted

The Lady and the Law: The Remarkable Life of Fanny Holtzmann

A Jewish girl from Brooklyn who becomes one of the most unpredictable, brilliant, accomplished woman lawyers in American history.

Kaufman, Alan

Jew Boy

Alan Kaufman, son of a Holocaust survivor, struggles to overcome his mother's phantoms and find his own Jewish identity.

Kaufman, George S.

Teichmann, Howard

George S. Kaufman: An Intimate Portrait

A playwright whose wit, gift of satire, and skill as a director and producer on Broadway made him the undisputed king of theatrical comedy.

Klutznick, Philip M.

Klutznick, Philip M. with Sidney Hyman

Angles of Vision: A Memoir of My Lives

A public servant, leader in the world Jewish community, one of the most innovative real estate developers of our time, Klutznick served Presidents Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman as chief of public housing.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: BIOGRAPHIES – INDIVIDUAL

Koufax, Sandy*

Leavy, Jane

Sandy Koufax: A Lefty's Legacy

Through meticulous reporting and interviews with 500 friends, teammates and opponents, the author reveals the man behind the myth.

Menuhin, Yehudi

Daniels, Robin

Conversations with Menuhin

The famous violinist talks freely, but with characteristic modesty, about himself, his way of life and the music he loves.

Moskowitz, Faye

A Leak in the Heart: Tales from a Woman's Life

Twenty-four autobiographical story-essays - witty, vulnerable, and wise - about growing up part of a puzzled and unassimilated Orthodox Jewish family in a Michigan small town in the 1930s and '40s.

Nimoy, Leonard

I Am Spock

An intelligent and insightful account about the creative process and the actor's craft, along with a unique insider's view of the creation of the Star Trek phenomenon.

Ostransky, Leroy

Sharkey's Kid: A Memoir

Ostransky tells of his painful relationship with his brutish and powerful father, Sharkey, owner of a saloon on New York's Lower East Side, who was obsessed with having his son become a child prodigy virtuoso violinist.

Rosenbaum, Jay

Wilkes, Paul

And They Shall Be My People: An American Rabbi and his Congregation

Rabbi Rosenbaum is the leader of Congregation Beth Israel in Worcester, Massachusetts, a middle-class, conservative community. He finds the challenge to his congregants is how to be a people and a Jewish community, and still be Americans.

Sarnoff, David

Lyons, Eugene

David Sarnoff

The life story of the guiding genius of the Radio Corporation of America.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: BIOGRAPHIES – INDIVIDUAL / WOMEN

Schiff, Jacob H.*

Cohen, Naomi W.

Jacob H. Schiff: A Study in American Jewish Leadership

Schiff was a powerful banker, financier and leader of the American Jewish community from 1880-1920.

Wise, Isaac M.

Heller, James G.

Isaac M. Wise: His Life, Work and Thought

Wise was the religious leader who introduced Reform Judaism to the United States and founded its three most important institutions – the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Hebrew Union College and the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

Wise, Isaac M.

Knox, Israel

Rabbi in America: The Story of

Oscar Handlin (ed.)

Isaac M. Wise

The history of a man and his philosophy, of their simultaneous modification and growth, which, in turn, mark the history of Reform Judaism in America.

Wise, Stephen S.

**Polier, Justine Wise &
James Waterman Wise (eds.)**

The Personal Letters of Stephen Wise

Rabbi, reformer, public leader, orator and prophet, Wise, in his letters to his wife, children and his closest friend, shows his inward, private side.

Wise, Stephen S.

Voss, Carol Hermann (ed.)

**Stephen S. Wise: Servant of the
People: Selected Letters Edited**

The letters, from Wise's voluminous correspondence with friends and associates, highlight his many activities as a rabbi and a public figure.

WOMEN:

619.7 ANT*

Antler, Joyce

**The Journey Home: How Jewish Women Shaped
Modern America**

Social history interwoven with biographical profiles of American Jewish women of the twentieth century who made their mark on American society.

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619 TAK*

Antler, Joyce (ed.)

**Talking Back: Images of Jewish Women in
Popular Culture**

Essays by a wide range of authors on the changing image of Jewish women in the popular culture of twentieth century America.

619.9 BAU

**Baum, Charlotte, Paula
Hyman & Sonya Michel**

The Jewish Woman in America

Examining the image, as well as the reality, of Jewish women in America.

619.9 BLE

**Bletter, Diana
Photographs by Lori Grinker**

**The Invisible Thread: A Portrait of Jewish
American Women**

Intimate portraits - in words and photographs - of sixty Jewish women of all ages and backgrounds, revealing the many different ways in which being Jewish shapes their lives.

770.9 DIN*

**Diner, Hasia R. &
Beryl Lief Benderly**

**Her Works Praise Her: A History of Jewish
Women in America from Colonial Times to the
Present**

A social history chronicling 15 generations of women through long-neglected public records, private diaries, memoirs and letters.

770 MAR

Marcus, Jacob Rader

The American Jewish Woman, 1654-1980

Narrates the 300-year history of the American Jewish woman.

770 MAR **Marcus, Jacob Rader** **The American Jewish Woman: A Documentary History**
Consists of nearly 200 printed documents, presented chronologically, covering three centuries of the American Jewish woman's experience. A supplement to the American Jewish Woman, 1654-1980. (See above.)

770.9 WEI **Weinberg, Sydney Stahl** **The World of Our Mothers: The Lives of Jewish Immigrant Women**
Oral histories of 46 women who left Eastern Europe for America from the late 1880s to the mid-1920s.

POLITICS:

770.9 DAL* **Dalin, David G. & Alfred J. Kolatch** **The Presidents of the United States and the Jews**
Historical account of the interactions between our country's presidents and the relatively small but politically and socially active Jewish American community.

BIBLIOGRAPHY – JEWS IN AMERICA: POLITICS / IMMIGRATION/IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE

770 GOL* **Goldberg, J. J.** **Jewish Power: Inside the American Jewish Establishment**
Offers an engaging and provocative portrait of the people, institutions, and ideas that make up organized Jewish political influence in the U.S.

770 LIE **Lieberman, Joseph I. with Michael D'Orso** **In Praise of Public Life**
Defines the duty, honor and privilege of American public life in the face of the public's cynicism about it.

668 MAI* **Maisel, L. Sandy (ed.)** **Jews in American Politics**
Journalists, scholars and politicians contribute to this comprehensive picture of past, present and future Jewish participation in American politics. Includes more than four hundred biographical profiles of prominent Jewish political figures.

798 STO* **Stone, Kurt F.** **The Congressional Minyan: The Jews of Capitol Hill**
A useful, original and interesting compendium featuring comprehensive and well-researched biographical information about the 179 Jewish legislators who have served in the United States Congress.

629.9 WEY **Weyl, Nathaniel** **The Jew in American Politics**
Explores the role of American Jewry in the political life of the nation.

IMMIGRATION /IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE:

774.2 BRA **Brandes, Joseph with Martin Douglas** **Immigrants to Freedom: Jewish Communities in Rural New Jersey since 1882**
The first rural Jewish settlement in the New World. Disillusioned with the poverty-ridden slums of the big cities and inspired by popular leaders such as Michael Bakal and Moshe Herder, four hundred Jews chose to become American farmers. Thousands more followed.

798 COA **Coan, Peter Morton** **Ellis Island Interviews: In Their Own Words**
First-hand accounts of the last surviving original immigrants who entered Ellis Island. They describe the life they left behind, why they emigrated, what they endured, and what became of them after their arrival in the New World.

770 HOO* **Hoobler, Dorothy & Thomas Hoobler** **The Jewish American Family Album**
Relates personal stories of Jewish immigrants from 1579 through 1994. Presents letters, diaries and newspaper articles, family archives, scrapbooks and published memoirs.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: IMMIGRATION/IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE

774.1 HOW **Howe, Irving & Kenneth Libo** **How We Lived: A Documentary History of Immigrant Jews in America 1880-1930**
A vibrant collection of pictures and texts depicting the experience of the immigrant Jews in America. Much of the material is translated from Yiddish for the first time.

774.1 HOW **Howe, Irving** **World of Our Fathers**
The journey of the Eastern European Jews to America and the life they found and made there.

771 GOL **Karp, Abraham J. (ed.)** **Golden Door to America: The Jewish Immigrant Experience**
Through first-hand documents, poems, letters and reminiscences, Professor Karp portrays the physical and emotional ordeal of starting life again in a new world. His focus is the Jewish immigrant from 1654 to the early twentieth century.

771.5 MEL **Meltzer, Milton** **Taking Root: Jewish Immigrants in America**
Meltzer tells what it was like for the millions of Jews, including his own parents, who came to the U.S. between the 1880s and 1920s. He draws on first-hand sources - memoirs, letters, diaries, poems, songs and newspaper accounts. (A companion volume to Meltzer's *World of Our Fathers*.)

774.1 MET v.2 **Metzker, Isaac (ed.)** **A Bintel Brief, Volume II: Letters to the Jewish Daily Forward 1950-1980**
A selection of letters and responses from the legendary advice column, reflecting the new problems of a now-scattered post-"greenhorn" generation.

774.1 SAN **Sanders, Ronald** **The Downtown Jews: Portraits of an Immigrant Generation**
Organized around the life of Abraham Cahan, editor of the *Jewish Daily Forward*.

774.1 SCH **Schoener, Allon (ed.)** **Portals to America: The Lower East Side 1870-1925**
The Lower East Side has been documented fully by journalists, photographers and social workers. As a portal, it prepared Jews and other immigrants for the greater America that lay beyond its boundaries.

685.7 SLO **Slobin, Mark** **Tenement Songs: The Popular Music of the Jewish Immigrants**
A prize-winning study of the immigrant experience in America as reflected in its popular music.

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639.3 SOY* **Soyer, Daniel** **Jewish Immigrant Associations and American**

Identity in New York 1880-1939

Examines how Jewish immigrant hometown associations (*landsmanshaften*) transformed old-world communal ties into vehicles for integration into American society.

770 TEL*

Telushkin, Joseph

The Golden Land: The Story of the Jewish Immigration to America: Experience the Achievements of American Jews Through Removable Documents and Artifacts

Contains removable samples of actual documents and artifacts.

REGIONAL - NEW YORK/EAST COAST:

774.3 BRE

Brener, David

The Jews of Lancaster, Pennsylvania: A Story with Two Beginnings

Lancaster's first Jewish community 1715-1804, the era of Joseph Simon.

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**Cahan, Abraham
Moses Rischen (ed.)**

Grandma Never Lived in America: New Journalism of Abraham Cahan

Edited with an introduction by Moses Rischin. Cahan, editor of the *Jewish Daily Forward*, was an important chronicler, spokesman, and portrayer of New York's rich ethnic multiplicity.

774.3 ELL*

**Ellison, Elaine Krasnow &
Elaine Mark Jaffe**

Voices from Marshall Street: Jewish Life in a Philadelphia Neighborhood 1920-1960

Oral history of the residents who lived amid the cultural richness of their neighborhood from the end of the First World War to the dawn of the turbulent 60s.

774.5 FEI

Fein, Isaac M.

The Making of an American Jewish Community: The History of Baltimore Jewry from 1773 to 1920

A history of three dimensions – adjustability, continuity and unity – as they developed for the Jewish community in Baltimore, Maryland.

774.11 GOL

Golden, Harry

The Greatest Jewish City in the World

The author's stories provide an informative, insightful, and amusing examination of the Jews in New York and their many contributions to the life and vitality of the city.

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774.11 GRI

Grinstein, Hyman B.

The Rise of the Jewish Community of New York 1654-1860

Historical study, primarily concerned with the inner life of the Jews of New York City – their institutions, their religion and their culture – and with the social, philanthropic and other activities which grew out of their living together in a Jewish community.

774.12 HAP

Hapgood, Hutchins

The Spirit of the Ghetto: Studies of the Jewish Quarter of New York

The Jewish community on New York's Lower East Side is the subject of the author's essays, which first appeared in the *Atlantic Monthly* and other journals in 1902.

774.11 JEW*

Abramovitch, Ilana &

Jews of Brooklyn

Sean Galvin (eds.)

Over forty historians, folklorists, museum curators, musicians and ordinary Jews present a living record of this cultural heritage.

- 774.11 LAN** **Landesman, Alter F.** **Brownsville: The Birth, Development and Passing of a Jewish Community in New York**
Recreates the life of Jewish Brownsville, at one time the largest center of Jewish population in all of New York City.
- 773.5 LEW** **Lewis, Theodore** **Touro Synagogue – National Historic Site**
An article from “New History,” a publication of the Newport Historical Society; Number 159, Summer 1975, Vol. 48, Part 3.
- 774.1 MOO** **Moore, Deborah Dash** **At Home in America: Second Generation New York Jews**
Follows the second generation as it moved up in the world – economically, into the middle class, and physically, out of the Lower East Side tenements.
- 774.12 ROS** **Roskolenko, Harry** **The Time That Was Then: The Lower East Side 1900-1914, An Intimate Chronicle**
The author’s memories evoke the colors and voices of his childhood in this legendary community.
- 773.5 TOU** **Touro Synagogue: Of Congregation Jeshuat Israel, Newport, Rhode Island**
A selection of articles on the Jews of Newport and the oldest synagogue in the U.S., dedicated 1763 and designated an Historical Site 1946.

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- 774.3 WOL** **Wolf, Edwin & Maxwell Whiteman** **The History of the Jews of Philadelphia from Colonial Times to the Age of Jackson**
Traces the origin and early growth of Philadelphia’s Jewish population and its role in the life of the wider community.

REGIONAL - MID-WEST:

- 776.5 BLO*** **Bloom, Stephen G.** **Postville: A Clash of Cultures in Heartland America**
In 1987, a group of Lubavitchers opened a kosher slaughterhouse just outside tiny, stagnant Postville, Iowa. When the business became a success, Postville found itself both revived and divided. The author was a personal witness to the controversy.
- 775.1 GAR** **Gartner, Lloyd P.** **History of the Jews of Cleveland**
The story, narrated by an eminent Jewish historian, spans the years from the appearance of the first known Jew in Cleveland in 1836 to the end of the Second World War.
- 775.4 KAT** **Katz, Irving I.** **The Beth El Story: With a History of the Jews in Michigan before 1850**
Includes copies of documents and newspaper articles and pictures of memorabilia. An essay, “Three Hundred Years in America” by Jacob Rader Marcus, appears at the end of the book.

775.1 RAP **Raphael, Mara Lee** **Jews and Judaism in a Midwestern Community: Columbus, Ohio, 1840-1975**
The author draws on a variety of materials to present a fascinating saga of Jewish life in Columbus.

REGIONAL - SOUTH:

780 ARO* **Aron, Bill with text by Vicki Reikes Fox** **Shalom Y'all: Images of Jewish Life in the American South**
A photographic celebration of what it means to be Jewish and Southern and the contradictions this entails.

799 COHEN **Cohen, Edward** **The Peddler's Grandson: Growing up Jewish in Mississippi**
A freelance writer and filmmaker tells his story in a delightful memoir.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: REGIONAL - SOUTH / REGIONAL - WEST / LITERATURE

779 EVA **Evans, Eli N.** **The Provincials: A Personal History of Jews in the South**
Both a personal chronicle and a historical narrative of Jews in the South from the 1700s to the present day.

662.7 GOL **Golden, Harry** **A Little Girl Is Dead**
The rape-murder of Mary Phagan and the lynching of Leo Frank set off a crisis in the South of 1913 that still affects us today.

780.2 GRE **Greene, Melissa Fay** **The Temple Bombing**
A history of the 1958 bombing of Atlanta's oldest and richest synagogue against a background of the civil rights movement and the role of Atlanta's Jewish community.

780.2 HER **Hertzberg, Steven** **Strangers within the Gate City: The Jews of Atlanta 1845-1915**
A sociological study of Jews in a southern city.

780.6 KOR **Korn, Bertram Wallace** **The Early Jews of New Orleans**
A biographical approach to Jewish life in New Orleans from earliest settlement to 1850.

780 ROS* **Rosen, Robert N.** **The Jewish Confederates**
In this Civil War history, the author reveals the remarkable breadth of southern Jewry's participation in the war and the strength of Jewish commitment to the Confederate cause.

REGIONAL - WEST:

The Beth Am Library has an extensive collection of books on the Jewish experience in the American West. Many of these books are part of our California Jewish Heritage Fund Collection. An updated bibliography of these books is currently under preparation and will be available at the library this fall. Copies of the current Western States bibliography – though no longer complete – can be picked up at the library display table at Asilomar.

LITERATURE:

<u>CALL #</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
557.3 RIS	Angoff, Charles & Meyer Levin (eds.)	The Rise of American Jewish Literature: An Anthology of Selections from the Major Novels The first anthology of selections from the important novels of 22 major Jewish writers in the U.S. It provides a portrait of American Jewish life in development, a social history through the novel.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: LITERATURE / FICTION

557.9 AME*	Antler, Joyce (ed.)	America and I: Short Stories by American Jewish Women Writers This rich and varied collection of short stories by American Jewish writers from 1900 to the present makes history real and immediate.
557 OLD	Hindus, Milton (ed.)	The Old East Side: An Anthology A collection of literature and documents portraying the world of the old shtetl transplanted to a new, growing country, in the years 1881-1924.
557 LIT	Gross, Theodore L.	The Literature of American Jews Fiction, poetry, drama and critical essays portray the rich literary expressions of Jews in America from the migration of Eastern Europeans through the remarkable flowering following World War II.
557.3 TAL	Lewis, Jerry D. (ed.)	Tales of Our People: Great Stories of the Jew in America A collection of the work of 26 of the world's finest writers. The stories reveal the sense of recognition Jews have of their unique place in history.

FICTION:

The Beth Am Library has a large collection of Jewish fiction, both classic and popular. A major portion of this collection consists of novels and short stories that take place in America – in both historic and contemporary times – and reflects the American Jewish experience in many different ways. These books, if written by a single author, are classified with the call # 563 followed by the first three letters of the author's last name. A small sampling of these books is listed below, but we invite you to browse through our 563 section and discover many others on the subject.

<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
Asch, Sholem	East River
Bellow, Saul	Herzog
Cahan, Abraham	The Rise of David Levinsky
Chabon, Michael	Kavalier & Clay
Dershowitz, Alan M.	The Advocates' Devil
Fast, Howard	The Outsider
Goldberg, Myla	Bee Season
Goodman, Allegra	Kaaterskill Falls
Gordon, Noah	The Rabbi
Kellerman, Faye	Sanctuary
Kemelman, Harry	The Day the Rabbi Resigned
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Levin, Meyer	The Fanatic
Manus, Willard	The Pigskin Rabbi

Mattison, Alice
 Mirvis, Tova
 Ozick, Cynthia
 Plain, Belva
 Pogrebin, Letty Cottin
 Potok, Chaim
 Potok, Chaim
 Rochlin, Harriet

 Rosenbaum, Thane
 Roth, Henry
 Roth, Henry
 Roth, Philip
 Tarr, Herbert
 Tennenbaum, Silvia
 Weidman, Jerome

The Book Borrower
 The Ladies Auxillary
 The Puttermesser Papers
 Evergreen
 Three Daughters
 The Chosen
 Davita's Harp
 The Reformer's Apprentice: A Novel of Old San Francisco
 Second Hand Smoke: A Novel
 A Driving Rock on the Hudson
 Call it Sleep
 Goodbye, Columbus
 Heaven Help Us!
 Rachel, the Rabbi's Wife
 The Temple

REFERENCE:

<u>CALL #</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
R771 JEW v. 1, 2, 3	Blau, Joseph L. & Salo W. Baron (eds.)	The Jews in the United States 1790-1840: A Documentary History A contemporary printing of original documents pertaining to a significant period of American history.
R798 MAR v. 1, 2, 3	Marcus, Jacob Rader	Memoirs of American Jews 1775-1865 Personal recollections and autobiographies, many published for the first time, from a broad selection of American Jews recounting their experiences from Revolutionary times through the Civil War.
R798.1 SZU	Szucs, Loretto Dennis	Chicago and Cook County: A Guide to Research A guide to locating historical records and primary sources in Chicago and Cook County, Illinois.

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: OVERSIZE BOOKS / VIDEOS - DOCUMENTARIES

OVERSIZE BOOKS:

<u>CALL #</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
R707 JEW	Cohen, David (ed.)	The Jews in America Over the course of nearly a year, 60 of the nation's finest magazine and newspaper photographers spread out across the country, creating a composite portrait of contemporary Jewish life, recording its traditions, beliefs and achievements.
770 LOW*	Lowe, Carl	Three Centuries of Jewish Life in America Filled with fascinating photographs and illustrations depicting Jewish life in North America since the

middle 1600s, this book brings to life three centuries of rich political, social and religious experiences.

770 SCH

Schoener, Allon

The American Jewish Album: 1654 to the Present

A unique narrative in image and word that recounts the growth and flowering of the Jewish community in the U.S.

R798.1 STE

Stern, Malcolm H.

First American Jewish Families: 600 Genealogies. 1654-1988, (3rd. edition updated & revised)

Genealogical charts of Jewish families established in the United States and Canada prior to 1840, tracing their descendants to the present, with an index of family names.

VIDEOS - DOCUMENTARIES:

All documentary videos listed below are classified as VC followed by the call number noted.

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TITLE

640.3 BRI

A Bridge of Books: The Story of the National Yiddish Book Center

923 FOR

The Forward: From Immigrants to Americans

533 ISA

Isaac Bashevis Singer: Isaac in America

777.1 BIR

Birth of a Community: Jews and the Gold Rush

777.12 MEE

“Meet Me At Brooklyn And Soto”: Celebrating the Jewish Community of East Los Angeles

774.11 MIR

The Miracle of Intervale Avenue (South Bronx, New York)

774.3 PIT

Pittsburgh’s Murray Avenue: A Community in Transition

771.5 ROA

The Road to New York from Eastern Europe: Jewish Immigration at the Turn of the Twentieth Century

BIBLIOGRAPHY - JEWS IN AMERICA: VIDEOS - DOCUMENTARIES / FEATURE FILMS

775.3 ROM

Romance of a People: The First Hundred Years of Jewish Life In Chicago, 1833-1933

638.2 TRI

“Triumph, The Story of the Jewish Braille Institute”

778.3 WES

West of Hester Street (Between 1907 and 1914 thousands of Jewish immigrants landed in Galveston, Texas, looking for their Promised Land.)

VIDEOS - FEATURE FILMS:

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Brighton Beach Memoirs

Crossing Delancey

Enemies, a Love Story

Dirty Dancing

Driving Miss Daisy
The Frisco Kid
Gentleman's Agreement
Goodbye, Columbus
Hester Street
His People
Homicide
The Imported Bride
The Jazz Singer
Keeping the Faith
Liberty Heights
Marjorie Morningstar
Next Stop Greenwich Village
The Pawnbroker
School Ties
Sweet Lorraine

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