

What's Happening this May?

Book Discussion with the authors of **THE THREAD COLLECTORS,** Shaunna J. Edwards and Alyson Richman

Sunday, May 21, 2023 | 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Join the "Good Book Fairy", Lauren Margolin, in a discussion with the authors of *The Thread Collectors*, a story loosely inspired by the authors' family histories.



1863: In a small Creole cottage in New Orleans, an ingenious young Black woman named Stella embroiders intricate maps on repurposed cloth to help enslaved men flee and join the Union Army. Meanwhile, in New York City, a Jewish woman stitches a quilt for her husband, who is stationed in Louisiana with the Union Army.

As these two women risk everything for love and freedom during the brutal Civil War, their paths converge in New Orleans, where an unexpected encounter leads them to discover that even the most delicate threads have the capacity to save us.

The Spring Series Continues with Rabbi Marks: The Four Hatikva Questions

Tuesday, May 9 and 16, 2023 | 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

The frame of these “Four Hatikvah Questions” (4HQ) clarifies and affirms the wonder of the State of Israel, and at the same time offers a shared conceptual space in which to address key questions of Jewish existence that take on Jewish Peoplehood on the one hand, and the centrality of Israel on the other. Gone are the days in which a single set of answers would enliven the Jewish People as a whole. But a single set of questions that we all must continue to answer in our own different ways may help to bridge our differences.



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