

Blackmarket

for Useful Knowledge & Non-Knowledge No 12

On Invisible, Unknown & Ghostly Knowledge

An installation with 100 experts by Hannah Hurtzig

Saturday, 26th of September, 2009 , 19:00-23:00 Reception at 18:00
The Jewish-Arabic Center in Jaffa, 109 Kedem Street

Free admission to the event. No advance booking.
Book an expert for 5 NIS!

At the Blackmarket you can choose from 100 experts of various fields, and for only 5 NIS you will be offered a portion of their knowledge that can be narrated in 30 minutes. You may also, of course, just listen to the conversations via headphones, for free.

The event imitates well known places of knowledge transfer such as archives and reading rooms and combines them with situations of communication which are familiar from the stock exchange and counseling sessions. The Blackmarket is an alternative model

of knowledge transfer – popular and wise, social and glamorous, non-institutional and wild.

Invisibility and ghostliness is used in this Blackmarket as a metaphor for specific people, ideologies, utopian ideas, ways of living, whose representation is denied or not authorized. The ghostly reality is a result of the denial or refusal to give language or a voice to something and it is the moment where the borders between what has been approved as real is set in contrast to the phantasm.

The ghostly makes the in-between appear, it is a rupture in order that allows for a consciousness of borders, exclusions and suppression.

The Blackmarket will bring to light cultural, economic, social and political models that we have forgotten or ignored, memories and stories we prefer to erase, ideas and concepts we censor or misrepresent. The ghosts of Jaffa will bring back the suppressed and forgotten past and will try to offer with it some possible opportunities for the future.

and psychology and an M.A. in Communications and Media from The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Before becoming a Member of Knesset, she was Director General of Ham - Media Center for Arab-Palestinians in Israel. (Arab, Heb.)
We Thought We Knew Everything about Netanyahu and the Government, but We Didn't – How is this New Government Different, and in What Ways Does this Affect Palestinian and Israeli Societies?

Religion & Spirituality
Nabih Bashir is a PhD candidate at the department of Jewish Thought, Hebrew University, Jerusalem. His research subject is the Development of Medieval Jewish Exegesis in the Shadow of Islamic Culture. He has worked as a researcher at Mada Al Carmel and Galilee Society. He is a husband and a father of one lovely boy. (Arab, Heb.)
Intertwined Worlds: The Development of Medieval Jewish Exegesis under Islamic Culture

Michal Oron is a professor emerita in the Literature Department, Tel Aviv University. Her research focuses on mystical-kabbalistic creation and the relations between Jewish mysticism and Hebrew literature. Her published books include "The Bit Shem of London" (Mosad Bialy, 2003) and a scientific edition of "She'ar ha-Torah" (Jerusalem, 1989). A scientific edition of "Sefer HaShem" and "Tzohar LeZohar" are also scheduled for publication. (Heb.)
Sefer HaShem/The Book of the Name – a Guide for Kabbalistic Beginners

Mira Raz is the rabbi of the Reformist community of Natania. She has been teaching the Torah for many years, especially as spiritual knowledge both personal and universal. Her book "The Road of the Torah to Love" was published in 2003 (Shufra publishing house, Heb.)
Genesis Chapter 2, Verse 7 – From Spiritual Schizophrenia to Tikkan Olam/Repairing the World

Urban Space
Youssef Asfour is a teacher, educator and youth leader. He has an MA in Urban Neighborhoods. He is an activist, working with organizations for Jaffa and its residents and for the Salha Peace Project. He also counsels groups as a volunteer in a drug addiction rehabilitation center. (Arab, Heb.)
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Gila Breger is a preservation architect. She has been working on a survey initiated by the Tel-Aviv municipality to research preservation possibilities in the north of Tel Aviv. She is the author of *Forgotten Territory, Lost Places and Buried Houses – Urban Planning and the failures of planning in mixed cities, focusing mainly on Ramleh, Lod, Jaffa and Akko*. In 2002 she established the *Adar Association* in Ramleh, aiming to preserve and rehabilitate the old city, solve the housing problems in the city, improve the quality of the environment, and promote joint living in Ramleh. (Arab, Heb.)
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Bilal Massawa graduated from Ramleh High school, and received his BA and MA from the Institute of Engineering in Moscow, then Soviet Union, and a PhD candidate in the fields of engineering, architecture and construction since 1982, as well as working for several private and government companies. He was chief engineer for Taybeh municipality in Ramleh, 1999-2004. Since the end of his office, he has been gathering gifts in his orchard. (Arab, Heb.)
The Differences in Planning Policies and Urban Development between Arab and Jewish Towns

Sharon Rothbard is an architect, writer and publisher. He teaches in the department of Architecture at the Bezalel Academy. Among his books, "White City, Black City" (Babel 2005),

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