

Celebrate Israel Schedule

May 4, 9 to 5 pm at the Jewish Community Center

Join us for a grand community Celebrate Israel party! On Sunday, May 4, the fourth annual Celebrate Israel Yom Ha'atzmaut (Independence Day) festival will be held at the Jewish Community Center. Unless otherwise indicated, there is **no charge** for the events. Save time at the festival and **PRE-REGISTER** at www.jewishannarbor.org/celebrateisrael. This will get you in the short line and the fast-track for your full day of fun.

The celebration begins with **A Morning in Tel Aviv**

9-9:30am Healthy Israeli Breakfast
(\$5 charge, please register at 734-677-0100, or www.jewishannarbor.org/celebrateisrael, or cindy@jewishannarbor.org).

9:30-10:20am *"Israeli Cuisine-- Sixty Years of Ingathering the Exiles to One Melting Pot."*
From chicken soup cooked by an Ethiopian immigrant to falafel served by Polish newcomers, Israeli food coach [Yael Dolev](#) will discuss the question *"Is there such a thing as Israeli cuisine?"*

10:30-11:30am Yoga class led by Rachel Portnoy

The fun continues with the **Celebrate Israel Festival**

12 noon until 5:00 pm (Opening Ceremony at **1pm**)

- ✚ Walk the Land -- an interactive simulated tour of Israel
- ✚ An impressive *shuk* with a full range of Israeli items for sale
- ✚ Belly-dancing lessons, henna tattoos and drum sessions
- ✚ Loads of Israel-themed activities for children of all ages
- ✚ Israeli wine tasting
- ✚ An Israeli movie viewing room
- ✚ Delicious kosher Israeli street food
- ✚ A visit to Ann Arbor's home in Israel, at the Moshav Nahalal exhibit

Main Stage Entertainment:

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| ✚ Haverim B'Shirim | Songs of Naomi Shemer |
| ✚ Groove Spoon | UM's premier Klezmer ensemble |
| ✚ Ricardo Seir | Winner of 2007 Celebrate Israel "Israel Idol" Contest |
| ✚ Aaron Kaufman | A Percussive Tour of cities in Israel |
| ✚ Shira Elyakin & | Dance performance featuring music of |

Kendall Gazau
+ Israeli Dancing

Shotei H'Nevuah (popular Israeli group)
Everybody Get Up and Dance...led by
Laura & Amnon Steiner

Don't miss the Closing Ceremony featuring community-wide Children's Chorus singing Sim Shalom arranged by Gil Ladin!

5:00-7:30pm

The celebration continues in the JCC gym with an Israeli Dance Party with dance leader Tom Starks. The party is for all ages; families are encouraged to bring children from 5:00-5:30 PM when Rochelle Morais will lead kid-friendly dances. Cost: **\$5 per adult/\$8 per family**. For more information email Laura at a2rikud@gmail.com.

Don't forget to purchase for tickets to:

Sheketak: From Hora to Hip Hop

May 5, 7:30pm, Power Center, www.umich.edu/~muto or 734-763-TKTS

Songs of Israel at her 60th

Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra and Temple Beth Emeth's Kol Halev Choir
Sunday, May 18, 7 pm, Michigan Theater

Other Celebrate Israel Events in May

Israeli Art, Craft & Jewelry Show

Tuesday, May 6, 7:00 pm, Home of Cindy & Scott Kellman, 3819 Hawk Crest

Yom Hazikaron (Israel Memorial Day) Observance

Wednesday, May 7, 7:00 pm, Beth Israel Congregation, 2000 Washtenaw

"Reflections on Israel at 60" with Bob Schwartz,

Senior Policy Advisor for the Consul General of Israel in Chicago

Friday May 9, 6 pm Israeli-themed Shabbat dinner catered by Simply

Scrumptious

7:30 pm Services with sermon by Mr. Schwartz

Cost/person: \$12.36 (includes \$.36 for for Mazon) Please RSVP to 665-4744 or jhaines@templebethemeth.org by May 1.

7th Annual Lenore Marwil Jewish Film Festival in Ann Arbor

May 11-15, Michigan Theater

Celebrate Israel Featured Films

May 12, Knowledge is the Beginning

May 13, Someone To Run With

May 14, Eye Witness: David Rubinger

May 15, Six Days