

JNF Speakers Bureau Feb 2017 *Your Voice in Israel*



A Message from Speakers Bureau Chairman Robert Benedon:

For JNF, February defines what we are all about. Tu B'shvat, the New Year of the Trees, falls on February 10-11. Many programs and speakers have been arranged throughout the country – if you still need a speaker, please let us know. I encourage all Makor members and local leadership to talk about JNF at their shuls over this important holiday weekend.

February is Jewish Disabilities and Awareness Month. JNF is proud of its work in this arena and our Special Needs partners are all in the US this month – you can see their busy schedules in the partner calendar below. But our work does not end when the calendar turns. Like all of JNF's efforts for the land and people of Israel, its work for those with disabilities and special needs is not limited to a month, but every day.

Our Makor members are at the ready to come to your community to speak – and will be traveling to Israel later this month on the Makor Mission – we are eager to share what we learn upon their return.

Best Regards, Bob

Mark Your Calendar and Plan your upcoming events with visiting speakers and partners:

Tu B'shvat Across America Feb 11 – in cooperation with Education & Advocacy Department

Jewish Disabilities Awareness Month in February

Yom Ha'atzmauth is May 2nd

May is International Women's Month – plan for your women's events - look for updates on available partners and speakers

[Gil Hoffman](#) – in US March 13-26 – available in Florida 3/13-16; Minnesota 3/17-18; Open 3/21-25, available 3/26 Phila/So NJ

Gideon & Amira Meir – US JNF tour March 26-April 6 – available to speak individually or as a couple (how to balance two careers)

Gadi Ezra – in US March 24-30; April 21-27; May 5-13 – great for LFI, JNFuture

[Chuck Freilich](#) – in the US January-May, 2017 - LFI

[Bentzi Gruber](#) – Ethics in The Field – **Next US Tour End of April-Mid-May** – LFI, DFI, BOT, Schools, Synagogues

[Linda Frank](#) – Available in Midwest/TX mid-February-early March

[Joel Chasnoff](#) – in the US from Israel often

[Joe Hyams](#) – in the US May 5-8

[Art Shamsky](#) – Spring Training is almost here!

Alon Ben Gurion – travels from NYC

PARTNER VISITS FEBRUARY-MAY

NAME	ORGANIZATION	DATES IN U.S.	CITIES CONFIRMED	AVAILABILITY
FEBRUARY				
Tiran Attia	Special in Uniform	1/29-2/16	FL/AZ/Texas/Cincy/Westchester/NJ	2/10-2/16 in NYC area
Alisa Bodner	LOTEM	1/26-2/11	St Louis/NJ/DC/Atl/SD/San Fran/Sea	Booked
Aharon Ariel Levi	MAKOM	Mid-Feb	Minn/Seattle – possibly LA and SF	TBD
Ido Eisikovits	Green Horizons	2/3-2/17	So FL/Balt/So NJ/Denver/Palm Springs/LA	Booked
Doron Almog	Aleh Negev	2/7-8 and 2/23	NYC//No FL	Booked
Yoel Zilberman	Hashomer	2/23-2/26	So FL	TBD
Jill Oron	Grofit	2/15-2/23	Denver/Or Co CA	2/18-2/23
Michael Ben-Eli	Wadi Attir	2/26	So FL	Lives in NYC – readily available
MARCH				
Michal Uziyahu	Gaza Envelope	3/5-3/17	So NJ/Chi/Cincy/Denver	3/5-3/6; 3/10-3/12
Noa Gefen	SPIHS	3/13-3/23	LA/Or Co CA/Orlando/Tampa	3/16-3/17
David Lehrer	Arava Institute	3/12-3/24	DC/Phila/San Fran/Sea	3/12-3/13 (Northeast)
Shani Abrams Simkovitz	Gush Etzion	3/16-3/28	NY/Denver/NJ	3/16-3/18
APRIL				
Doreet Freedman	NBN	Pre-Peseach	Available in No Florida	TBD
Zeev Ben-shachar	Jerusalem U	4/2-4/6 4/26-4/30	Minnesota St Louis	
Yedidya Harush	Halutza	4/19-5/4	CNJ/NNJ/DC/Cincy/AZ/Texas	4/19 (NY/NY area), 4/23-4/25
Tania Pons Allon	Central Arava	4/19-4/26	Denver/St Louis/Texas/Florida	Booked
Peter Kurz	Project Baseball	Late April	Boston/Pitt/LA	TBD
MAY				
Mayor Alon Davidi	Sderot	5/4-5/15	Chi/So NJ/SD/Denver/NNJ/LI	5/12-5/13
Michal Shiloh Galnoor	Western Galillee Now	5/8-5/11		TBD

Find these great speakers and many more on the [Speakers Bureau Website](#)

Note: Speaker bios are also found in their Salesforce records