

העמותה לקידום שוויון אזרחי וلجمعية لدعم المساو וה المدنية The Association for the Advancement of Civic Equality in Israel

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October 7, 2011

Dear Sikkuy Friends,

As I mentioned in a previous newsletter, Ali, Ron and I will be landing in New York on October 23 for two intensive weeks of meetings, speaking engagements and fundraising in the USA and Canada.

I have posted the general schedule on the right and wish to point out that there are six events at which Ali and Ron will speak and to which you are all invited (some request pre-registration).

In addition, many of our friends have asked to meet with us individually and host us in their homes - to introduce us to their friends and colleagues who want to hear more about Sikkuy's work for equality between the Arab and Jewish citizens of Israel.

There is a lot to report about how our work is having an impact and how the challenges before us loom greater than ever. There are new Sikkuy projects and accomplishments we'd like to tell you about.

Please be in touch if you would like



SIKKUY IN NORTH AMERICA OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 4

New York - October 24,27-28

Thursday, October 27 - 12-2PM - Presentation by Sikkuy and other top civil society organizations from Israel at the Interagency Task Force on Arab Israeli Issues (scroll down for invitation) - http://www.iataskforce.org/events/lunch-top-israeli-civil-society-leaders-oct-27-nyc-current-state-arab-jewish-relations-israel

Washington D.C. - October 25

Baltimore - Wednesday, October 26

Presentation by Sikkuy and Tsofen, sponsored by the Joseph & Harvey Meyerhoff Family Charitable Funds and the Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Foundation - 12-1:30PM - contact: Rafi M. Rone - Director of Jewish and Israel Initiatives - Meyerhoff Family Charitable Funds - rafi@magnajm.com

Toronto - October 29 - October 31

Sunday, October 30 - New Israel Fund of Canada Symposium - 12:45-5PM - (scroll down for invitation) - http://www.nif.org/canada/1203-israel-from-within
Monday, October 31 - UJA Federation of Greater Toronto - Lunch with Sikkuy - 12-1PM - Please RSVP to Elan Divon by Tuesday, October 11 at edivon@ujafed.org

Ottawa - November 1

Boston - November 2-3-4

Wednesday, November 2 - Breakfast meeting with Sikkuy sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston

126 High Street - 617-457-8600 - kday@jcrcboston.org - http://www.jcrcboston.org

to attend one of the presentations or set up a private meeting with us.

And as we approach the end of the year, it is a good time to remind all of our friends that there is still time to give your financial support to Sikkuy in 2011, most easily, by sending your donation,

recommended for Sikkuy, to:

PEF - Israel Endowment Funds

317 Madison Avenue, Suite 607

New York NY 10017 USA

PEF will send you your tax receipt for the donation.

http://www.pefisrael.org/

We thanks all of our friends who have worked so hard to arrange the various meetings and programs that Sikkuy will participate in and who continued to give us their unstinting moral and financial support in 2011.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Carl Perkal **Director of Resource Development** Sikkuy carl@sikkuy.org.il

Cambridge - November 3 - Harvard Middle East Seminar

Thursday, November 3 - 4-6PM - Can Jewish and Arab Citizens Live as Equals? Presentation by Ron Gerlitz and Ali Haider of Sikkuy - (scroll down for invitation) http://www.wcfia.harvard.edu/seminars/middle_east



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Date:

October 5, 2011

To: From: Task Force Members and Friends Jessica Balaban, Executive Director

Subject: Lunch with Top Israeli Civil Society Leaders on Oct. 27 in NYC: Current State of

Arab-Jewish Relations in Israel

Please join the Inter-Agency Task Force on Israeli Arab Issues and top Israeli civil society experts on October 27th for a lunch briefing from 12:00-2:00 pm (lunch will be served) on the Current State of Arab-Jewish Relations. Specifically, we will hear from key thought leaders about the latest trends in business / economic development, education, equality, and high tech as it affects Jewish-Arab relations and issues facing the Arab citizens of Israel. Our esteemed speakers are:

Mr. Ron Gerlitz and Mr. Ali Haider, Co-Executive Directors of Sikkuy. The Association for the Advancement of Civic Equality in Israel;

Dr. Ramzi Halabi, Chairman, and Ms. Smadar Nehab, Executive Director, Tsofen - High Technology Centers;

Mr. Helmi Kittani, Executive Director, The Center for Jewish-Arab Economic Development (CJAED) and

Mr. Mike Prashker, Founder and Director, MERCHAVIM - The Institute for the Advancement of Shared Citizenship in Israel.

Bios have been included below.

Please RSVP to Michal Cohen at michal.cohen@jdcny.org or (212) 885-0825. Location details will be provided upon RSVP. Space is limited.

Israel From Within: The Dream Reborn

October 30 2011 12:45-5 PM

Land in Israel - Private Property or Public Trust? Professor Derek Penslar, Professor of Jewish History, University of Toronto, Incoming Chair of Israeli Studies, St. Anne's College, Oxford University (2012)

Arab Citizens and Jewish Citizens of Israel - Moving Toward Equality?

Ali Haider and Ron Gerlitz, Co-Executive Directors of Sikkuy: The Association for the Advancement of Equality in Israel

The Current Moment -Insights From Within Professor Naomi Chazan, President, New Israel Fund, Former Deputy Speaker, Israeli Knesset, Professor Emerita, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Panel Discussion -The Road Ahead For Israel Presenters, moderated by Shira Herzog, Israel Affairs Analyst

The Bram & Bluma Appel Salon Toronto Reference Library, 2nd Floor, 789 Yonge Street (Yonge & Bloor)

Registration Required: www.nifcsymposium.eventbrite.com Event is Free of Charge, Free Childcare Available

If you do not live near the GTA, please contact us to participate in this special event from your area.

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New Israel Fund of Canada הקרן החדשה לישראל



WCFIA/CMES

Middle East Seminar

Lenore G. Martin, Sara Roy, and Herbert C. Kelman, Co-chairs

Presents

Ron Gerlitz and Ali Haider

Co-Executive Directors of Sikkuy: The Association for the Advancement of Civic Equality, Israel

On

Can Jewish and Arab Citizens of Israel Live as Equals?

Thursday, November 3, 2011 4:00-6:00 p.m.

The Weatherhead Center for International Affairs 1737 Cambridge Street Bowie-Vernon Room (K-262)

Jointly sponsored by the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs and the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University

The Weatherhead Center for International Affairs is located at 1737 Cambridge Street, 2nd Floor, Cambridge, MA 02138. For more information about this event, please contact Elizabeth Lawler at 617-495-3816 or elawler@wcfia.harvard.edu

Information on upcoming sessions is available on our website: http://www.wcfia.harvard.edu/seminars/middle_east

For more information on Sikkuy, visit www.sikkuy.org.il

All Middle East Seminar sessions are off the record

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