

## 39th Program

### Sunday, May 24, 2009

A registration desk will be situated at the entrance to the W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall in the afternoon

- 1:30 p.m.                    **Presentation of the Annual University Report to the Board of :Governors**  
W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall
- 6:00 p.m.                    **Unveiling of New Names on the refurbished Ben-Gurion Wall and the Founders Wall**
- 8:00 p.m.                    **Student Evening**  
sponsored by the American Associates, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

### Monday, May 25, 2009

- 8:30 a.m.                    **Registration of Board members**  
Lobby of the Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium
- 9:30 a.m.                    **Opening Plenary Session of the 39<sup>th</sup> Board of Governors Meeting**  
Addresses:  
**Roy J. Zuckerberg**, Chairman of the Board  
**Prof. Rivka Carmi**, President  
**Prof. Jimmy Weinblatt**, Rector
- Greetings from the Mayor of Beer-Sheva, **Ruvik Danilovich** and **Prof. Shlomo Grossman**, the Chairman of the Planning and Budgeting Committee of the Council for Higher Education
- Farewell to outgoing Presidents of the Associates Organizations**
- Presentation of President's Prizes for Outstanding Scientific Achievement**
- Presentation of Marc Rich Foundation Prizes for Senior**

## Women Researchers

Guest of Honor: **Rabbi Prof. Daniel Hershkowitz**, Minister of Science & Technology

- 12:00a.m.-2:00 p.m.      **Meetings with faculty members to explore innovative areas of research, including lunch with researchers and students**
- 3:00 p.m.                    **Panel Discussion: Researchers Returning "Home"**  
with the participation of newly-recruited researchers:  
**Dr. Galia Avidan**, Department of Psychology  
**Dr. Sigal Abramovich**, Department of Geological and Environmental Sciences  
**Dr. Amiel Ishaaya**, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
**Dr. Eli C. Lewis**, Department of Clinical Biochemistry  
**Dr. Miki Malul**, Department of Public Policy and Administration  
**Dr. Raz Zarivach**, National Institute for Biotechnology in the Negev  
and Department of Life Sciences  
Moderator: **Prof. Arie Moran**, Deputy Vice-President and Dean for Research and Development  
W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall
- 7:45p.m.                    **Conferment of Honorary Doctoral Degrees**  
Recipients: **HE Dr. Mohammed Al-Hadid**, Jordan; **Gila Almagor**, Israel;  
**Dani Karavan**, Israel; **Prof. Anita Shapira**, Israel;  
**Prof. Dr. Bernhard Vogel**, Germany; **Roy J. Zuckerberg**, USA  
Moderator: **Prof. Ilan Troen**  
Kreitman Plaza
- The ceremony will be followed by a reception in the Udi Garder

## Tuesday, May 26, 2009

- 9:30 a.m.                    **Dedication Ceremony of the Avram and Stella Goldstein-Gorer Department of Biotechnology Engineering**  
in the presence of the **Goren family**  
W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall - **Event has been canceled**
- 10:30 a.m.                    **The Zlotowski Annual Lecture**  
*The immune system maintains the brain and the mind in health and disease:*

*Implications for neurodegenerative and mental diseases*

**by Prof. Michal Schwartz**, Weizmann Institute of Science  
and **Presentation of Zlotowski Scholarships**

in the presence of **Suzanne Zlotowski**, UK

and **Adelene Zlotowski**, UK

Moderator: **Prof. Yael Amitai**, Director, Zlotowski Center for  
Neurosciences

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

11:30 a.m.

**Symposium: Renewable Energy**

with the participation of:

**Prof. David Faiman**, **Prof. Daniel Feuermann** – *Solar Energy*

**Prof. Sami Boussiba**, **Prof. Moti Herskowitz** – *Renewable*

*Biofuels*

**Dr. Nurit Ashkenasy**, **Dr. Eugene A. Katz**, **Dr. Iris Visoly-Fisher**

– *Photovoltaic Cells*

Moderator: **Prof. Moti Herskowitz**, Vice-President and Dean  
for Research and Development

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

1:00 p.m.

**Lunch**

Dining Room, Zlotowski Student Center

3:00 p.m.

Festive event honoring **Prof. Amos Oz** on his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday and  
a musical celebration of his novel *The Same Sea*,

together with singer **Ronit Ophir**,

Moderator: **Prof. Moshe Justman**, Dean of the Faculty of  
Humanities and Social Sciences

Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium

followed by an Exhibition of Amos Oz's Works – *The  
Mapping of Language*

Minkoff Family Senate Court

**Chairman's Dinner Dance**

an evening of music and dance

Guest of Honor: Minister of Minorities **Prof. Avishay Braverman**

*By invitation only*