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Current Positions

Post-Doctoral Fellow - Department of Politics and Government, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Research Fellow - Minerva Humanities Center, Tel Aviv University

Education

Ph.D 2015 Department of Geography and Human Environment. Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel

Dissertation Title: *Spatial Activism in the City: Perspectives of Body, Identity and Memory.*

Supervisor: Prof. Tovi Fenster

Ms.C 2008 Department of Architecture and Town Planning, Technion, Israel Institute of Technology

Thesis Title: *The Urban Space as Viewed by Gays and Lesbians.*

Supervisor: Prof. Arza Churchman

BA 2002 Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel
General History and Geography

Teaching

2016: Adjunct lecturer, "Spatial politics of sexuality", (BA course), Department of Politics and Government, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

2016: Adjunct Lecturer, Seminar "Gender, sexuality and space" (BA course), in the Faculty of Interior Design, College of Management, Rishon LeZion.

2014-2015: Adjunct Lecturer, "Qualitative Methodologies", (BA course), Department of Geography and Human Environment, Tel Aviv University.

2014-2015: Adjunct Lecturer "Urban Activism" (Community-Academia project together with Shatil organization), MA program on Urban Design, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Jerusalem.

2013-2014: Adjunct Lecturer, "Qualitative research methods" (BA course), School of Social Work, Sapir College.

2012-2014: Adjunct Lecture, "Spaces of identity, activism and planning", (BA course), Department of Geography and Human Environment, Tel Aviv University.

2012: Adjunct lecturer (with Prof. Tovi Fenster and Dr. Efrat Eizenberg), "Planning with Communities", (MA course), Department of Geography and Human Environment, Tel Aviv University.

2011-2012: Teaching Assistant, "Introduction to social and cultural geographies", (BA course), Department of Geography and Human Environment, Tel Aviv University.

Research and Development

2014: Present: Coordinator of the Shatil and Porter Internship program, Porter School of Environmental Studies, Tel Aviv University.

2014: Present: Research Coordinator for "The Political Lexicon" research group, Minerva Center for the Humanities, Tel Aviv University.

PECLAB (Planning with Communities for the Environment Research Laboratory) Coordinator, Department of Geography and Human Environment, Tel Aviv University, 2009-2013).

Publications

Editing

1. Blumen, O, Fenster, T and Misgav, C (2013). Guest editors of Special Issue on Gender and Geography of *Hagar - Studies in Culture, Polity and Identities*. 11(1). 188 pages.

Articles in Peer-Review Journals – Published

1. Misgav, C. and Fenster, T. (2016). "Spatial memory", *Maft'e'akh – Lexical Review of Political Taught*, 10:25-52 (Hebrew).
2. Misgav, C (2016) "Between complicity and subversion: Spatial politics and activism in the municipal LGBT Center". *The Public Sphere*, 10: 64-94 (Hebrew).
3. Misgav, C (2016). "Some spatial politics of queer-feminist Research: personal reflections from the field". *Journal of Homosexuality*. 63(5): 719-739 (Q1,

journal ranking 0.88, reported by SJR; impact factor 0.953, 5-Year Impact Factor 1.518)

4. Misgav, C (2015) "Activism, identity and space in Israel/Palestine: Three Perspectives" (review essay), *Theory and Criticism*, 45: 217-132 (Hebrew)
5. Misgav, C (2015) "With the current, against the wind: Constructing spatial activism and radical politics in Tel Aviv's LGBT Community Center". *ACME: An International E-Journal for Critical Geography*, 14(4):1208-1234. (Q1, journal ranking 0.58, reported by SJR)
6. Fenster, T and Misgav, C (2015) "The protest within the protest? Political spaces of feminism and ethnicities in the 2011 Israeli Protest Movement". *Women's Studies International Forum*. 52:20-29(Q2, journal ranking 0.366, reported by SJR; impact factor 0.468, 5 years impact factor 0.657)
7. Misgav, C (2015). "Planning, justice and LGBT urban politics: The case of Tel Aviv's Gay-Center". *Tichnon – Journal of the Israeli Planning Association* (special issue on planning and justice edited by Oren Yiftachel and Rani Mendelbaum). Vol 12, Issue 1: 180-195. (Hebrew).
8. Fenster, T and Misgav, C (2014). "Memory and place in participatory planning". *Journal of Planning Theory and Practice*. Vol. 15, Issue 3: 349-369. (Q1, journal ranking 0.55, reported by SJR).
9. Misgav, C (2014). "Mizrachiot". *Mafte'akh – Lexical Review of Political Taught*, Vol. 8: 67-96 (Hebrew).
10. Misgav, C and Johnston, L (2014). "Dirty dancing: The (non) fluid geographies of a queer night club in Tel Aviv". *Social & Cultural Geography*, 15(7): 730-746. (Q1, journal ranking 1.73, reported by SJR; impact factor 1.315)
11. Misgav, C and Fenster, T (2014). "The right to the city and spatial activism: The case of the Levinski Protest Camp". *The Public Sphere* (Hebrew), 8: 9-33.
12. Blumen, O, Fenster, T and Misgav, C (2013). "The body within home and domesticity – gendered diversity". *Hagar - Studies in Culture, Polity and Identities*, 11(1): 6-19.
13. Misgav, C (2013). "Shedding light on Israel's backyard": The tent protest in the context of urban periphery". *Theory and Criticism*, 41: 95-113 (Hebrew).
14. Martigani, F and Misgav, C (2011). "Next year in Tel Aviv": Queering the representations from the "Inside" and the "Outside". *Bollettino Della Societa Geografica Italiana XIII Vol IV*: 61-71. (Italian).

Articles – Accepted

1. Misgav, C. (accepted). "Gay-Riatrics: Spatial politics and activism of elderly gay men in Tel-Aviv's Gay Community Center", *Gender, Place and Culture: A Journal of Feminist Geography* (Q1, journal ranking 1.319, reported by SJR; impact factor 1.183)

Articles in Peer-Review Journals – Submitted

2. Misgav, C. (under revision). "Planning, justice and LGBT urban politics in Tel Aviv: A queer dilemma", submitted to *Planning Theory* (Q1, journal ranking 1.338, reported by SJR; impact factor 1.186)
3. Misgav, C. and Fenster, T. (submitted) "Day by Day – Protest by Protest: Temporal activism and the feminist Mizrahi right to the city", invited contribution to special issue of *cities*, edited by Ellena Vaccelli and Eleanor Kofman.
4. Sasson-Levy, O. and Misgav, C.(submitted) "Gender Research in Israel: Between Nationalism and Neo-Liberalism", invited contribution to special issue of *Megamot* (Hebrew).

Articles – in Progress

5. Misgav, C and Hartal, G (in progress) "Queer movements in Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem: A comparative discussion", invited contribution to: Yacobi, H and Nsara, M (eds), *Routledge Handbook on Middle Eastern Cities*, London and New-York: Routledge.

Book Chapters

1. Misgav, C. (2016). "Radical activism and autonomous contestation 'from within': The LGBT Community Center in Tel Aviv" In: Brown, G and Browne K (eds), *Routledge Research Companion for the Geography of Sex and Sexuality*, London: Asgate. Pp. 105-115.
2. Misgav, C. and Fenster, T. (2014). "The right to the city of tomorrow: Spatial activism in Levinski Protest Camp". In: Fenster, T. and Shlomo, O. (eds), *Cities of Tomorrow: Planning, Justice and Sustainability Today? Tel-Aviv: Hakibutz Hameohad, Urbani* (Hebrew).pp. 109-124.
3. Misgav, C. (2014). "Feminism, queer theory and geographical research: Epistemological and methodological discussion". In: Krumer-Nevo, M., Lavi-Agai, M. and Hacker, D. (eds), *Feminist Research Methodologies*. Tel-Aviv: Hakibutz Hameohad, Migdarim (Hebrew).pp. 151-171.

4. Misgav, C. (2013). "Border Crossing". In: Gordon, U and Greitzer, O (eds), *Anarchist Against the Wall: Direct Action and Solidarity with the Palestinian Popular Struggle*. New-York: IAS – Institute of Anarchist Studies and AK Press.
5. Misgav, C. (2013). "Levinski". In: Minerva Institute and The Lexicon Research Group for Political thought, *The Political Lexicon of the Social Protest, Israel (2011)*. Hakibutz Hameohad, Kav-Adom. (Hebrew).pp. 157-165

Book Reviews

1. Misgav, C (forthcoming). Alexander Koensler, "Israeli-Palestinian Activism: Shifting paradigms", Farnham: Ashgate. *Israeli Sociology*.
2. Misgav, C (forthcoming). Maginn, P.J and Steinmetz, C (eds), "(Sub)Urban Sexualities: Geographies and Regulation of the Sex Industry". London and new-York: Routledge. *Geography Research Forum*.
3. Misgav, C. (2016). Lavie Smadar, "Wrapped In the flag of Israel: Mizrahi single mothers and bureaucratic torture", New-York and Oxford: Berghahn Books. *Social Security (Bitachon Socialy)*, 99: 156-159 (Hebrew).
4. Misgav, C. (2015). Browne, K. and Bakshi, L., "Ordinary in Brighton? LGBT, activism and the city", London: Ashgate. *Gender, Place and Culture: A Journal of Feminist Geography*. DOI: [10.1080/0966369X.2015.1047576](https://doi.org/10.1080/0966369X.2015.1047576)
5. Preser, R. and Misgav, C. (2015). Sarah Schulman, "Israel/Palestine and the Queer International". Durham: Duke University Press. *Journal of Middle East Women Studies*, 11(1):11-113.
6. Misgav, C. (2013). Hubbard, Phil. "Cities and Sexualities". NY: Routledge. *Hagar - Studies in Culture, Polity and Identities*, 11(1): pp. 181-183.
7. Misgav, C. (2013). Svirsky, Marcelo, "Arab – Jewish Activism in Israel – Palestine", UK: Ashgate. *Israeli Sociology*, 15(1), pp194-196 (Hebrew).
8. Misgav, C. (2012). Isachar, Hedva, "Contrarians – Sketches of the feminist left counterculture in Israel", Tel-Aviv, Resling. *The Public Sphere*, summer 2012, vol. 6, pp 195-199.

Other Publications and Reports

1. Misgav C. (2014). Spatial Activism. "Masqueraded concept", *The Bulletin of the Israeli Association of Sociology*, number 46, December 2014.
2. Misgav, C. and Ferdman, A. (2012). "Peter Marcuse in Beit-Haam". *0618, Student journal of the Department of Philosophy*, Tel-Aviv University, Vol 1, pp 45-48. (Hebrew)

3. Misgav, C. and Reznitski, O. (2011). "Meonot-Yam, Bat-Yam: Planning Review". Scientific report submitted to the Strategic Planning Department, Bat-Yam Municipality, Israel.(Hebrew)
4. Fenster, T, Eizenberg, E., Kulka, T., Misgav, C. and Butbul, R. (2011). "Opportunity: Residents planning for themselves". Scientific report submitted to the Strategic Planning Department, Bat-Yam Municipality, Israel.(Hebrew)

Conference Presentations

1. "Planning, Justice and LGBT Politics in Tel Aviv". The III European Geography of Sexuality Conference, (Sept., 2015) Sapienza University di Roma, Rome, Italy.
2. "Spatial Memory". The Lexicon: Lexical Conference of Critical Political Thoughts, (Jan., 2015), Tel Aviv University, (with Tovi Fenster).
3. "Planning, Justice and LGBT Politics in the City: The Case Study of Tel Aviv's, Gay Center". The Annual Conference of the Israel Association for Environmental Planning, (Feb., 2015), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
4. "Some spatial politics of queer-feminist research: Personal reflections from the field". Gendered Rights to the City Intersections of Identity & Power, Feminist Geography Conference, (April, 2015), University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI, USA, (Pre-AAG IGU Gender & Geography Commission Conference).
5. "Gay-Riatric: Spatial politics and activism of elderly gay men in Tel-Aviv's LGBT Center", AAG annual meeting (Association of American Geographer), (April, 2015) Chicago, IL., USA.
6. "Planning, justice and LGBT urban politics in Tel Aviv: A queer dilemma", The III European geography of Sexuality Conference, (Sept., 2015), (Sapienza University di Roma, Rome, Italy).
7. The spatial past of a place in a planning project with communities: Community, planning and memory". The Annual Conference of the Israel Association for Environmental Planning, (Feb., 2014), The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (with Tovi Fenster).
8. "Ethnography, geography and body in the research of the Israeli social protest in the summer, 2011". Conference of the Israeli Center for Qualitative Research, (Feb., 2014), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel.
9. "With the current, against the wind": The spatial activism and radical activism of *Trans in the Center Group*". "Another Sex" Conference for LGBT Studies and Queer Theory, (June, 2014), Tel-Aviv University and Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. (Paper received the Moran Zafrir Prize of

Transgender and Queer Research and was presented as part of a special session.).

10. "What is geography of sexuality? Theory and research in the Israeli context". Introduction to the Special Session I organized under the title "Queer in the City: Geography of Sexuality in the Israeli Context". The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Conference, (Dec., 2014), The University of Haifa.
11. "Spatial Activism". CityState: Lexical-Political international workshop, Minerva Institute, (June, 2013), Tel Aviv University (lecture in English).
12. "Dirty dancing: The (none) fluid geographies of a queer night club in Tel Aviv". 4th International and Interdisciplinary Conference on Emotional Geographies University of Groningen, (July, 2013), Groningen, the Netherlands. (With Lynda Johnston)
13. "Some spatial politics of queer-feminist research: Personal reflections from the field". The II European Geographies of Sexualities Conference, (Sept., 2013), University of Lisbon, Portugal.
14. "Sexuality and Gendered Activism: The Reconstruction of spaces in "Trans in the Center" group". AAG annual meeting (Association of American Geographer), (March, 2012), New York, NY, USA.
15. "From feminist methodology to queer methodology: On knowledge, research and space". Zhirut Mehamirvach ("Mind the Gap") – The Second Jerusalem Conference for Academy, Ground and LGBTQ Community in Israel, (May, 2012), Layfer Institute of Women and Gender Studies, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
16. "Mizrachiot". The Lexicon: Eight Lexical Conference of Critical Political Thoughts, (June, 2012), Tel-Aviv University.
17. "Moments of spatial activism: Levinski protest camp in Tel Aviv, summer 2011". RBG-IGS annual Conference (Royal British Geographical Association), (July, 2012), Edinburg, UK.
18. "Between complicity and subversion: Two types of spatial activism and politics in the municipal community LGBT center". The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Conference, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, (Dec., 2012), Beer-Sheva, Israel.
19. "Residents planning their own space: Meonot-Yam Project, Bat-Yam". The Annual Conference of the Israel Association for Environmental Planning, (Feb., 2011), Ben-Gurion University, Beer-Sheva, Israel. (Paper presented with Efrat Eisenberg and Tovi Fenster).

20. "Sweating men/ women wearing night dresses: The spatial politics of the gendered and sexualized body in Ha'oman 17 club". Another Sex Conference, (June, 2011), Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel.
21. "Sexuality and gendered activism: Reconstruction of spaces in Tel Aviv - Jaffa, Israel". European Geographies of Sexualities Conference, (Sept., 2011), Hogeschool-University, Brussels, Belgium.
22. "The Past for the Future: The role of spatial memories in planning process with community". The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Conference, (Dec., 2011) Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel.
23. "Mental maps as a method for exploring the local knowledge". Conference of the Israeli Center for Qualitative Research, (Feb., 2010), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel.
24. "The Night Club: The sexualized body, identity and space, IGU Gender and Geography Commission Conference. (July, 2010), Ein Kerem, Jerusalem, Israel.
25. "Next Year in Tel Aviv": Queering the representations from the "Inside" and the "Outside". Conference "Spaces of Difference", (Oct., 2010) University of Milano-Bicocca, Milano, Italy (paper presented with Fiammetta Martigani).
26. "New spaces in the Israeli city? Gender and sexuality activism in Tel Aviv". The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Conference, (Dec., 2010), The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel.
27. "The urban space as viewed by gay people in Tel-Aviv Jaffa". The Annual Conference of the Israeli Association of Sociology, (Feb. 2009), The College of Management, Rishon LeZion, Israel.
28. "Embodiment and space in environmental and queer riots/struggles in a global world". IGU Gender and Geography Commission Conference. (May, 2009), Szeged – Timisoara, Hungary – Romania.
29. "Activism for spatial justice: body, identity and memory in the urban environment". The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Conference, (Dec., 2009), The University of Haifa, Israel.
30. "Pink City/White City - The urban space of Tel Aviv-Yafo as viewed by gay people and its expression in cognitive maps". Another Sex Conference, (May, 2008), Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel
31. "The urban space in Tel Aviv-Yafo as viewed by gay people", IGU-International Geographical Union, the Worldwide Conference, (Aug., 2008), Tunis, Tunisia (Lecture in English).

32. "Pink City/White City – The urban space of Tel Aviv-Yafo as viewed by gay people and its expression in cognitive maps". The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Conference, (Dec., 2008) Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, Israel.
33. "Gay and lesbian urban space and its meaning for planning and development: Tel Aviv-Yafo: A Case study ". The Annual Conference of the Israel Association for Environmental Planning, (Feb. 2006), Herzliya, Israel.
34. "Tel Aviv-Yafo: Urban space from a gay and lesbian point of view". Architecture and Space: Interdisciplinary Views, (May, 2006), Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel (Lecture in English).
35. "Private and public spaces from a gay point of view". The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Conference, (Jan., 2006), The Hebrew University in Jerusalem, Israel.
36. "Rethinking the private and public spaces as seen through queer eyes". Another Sex Conference, (May, 2005), Tel-Aviv University, Israel.

Invited Speaker

1. "Queer Sexuality and the city: From Gray Past to a Pink Future", Other Urbanism(s), (June 2016), MURbDes Graduate Program in Urban Design Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design Jerusalem Hansen Campus, Jerusalem Israel
2. "Spatial Activism: Theory, methodology and new concepts", Rubin Forum, School of History, (Dec, 2015), Tel-Aviv University.
3. "Planning, justice and LGBT urban politics in Tel-aviv: A queer dilemma", presented at the 7th German-Israeli Frontiers of Humanities Symposium, organized by The Israeli Academy of Science and The Alexander Von Humboldt Foundation, (October, 2015), Kibbutz Tzuba, Israel.
4. Discussant to Manuela Lavinias Picq (keynote speaker), The III European Geography of Sexuality Conference, (Sept., 2015) Sapienza University di Roma, Rome, Italy.
4. "Spatial Activism: Theory, methodology and new concepts", Colloquium of the Department of Geography and Human Environment, (June, 2015), Tel Aviv University.
5. Participant in a roundtable entitled "Queer research in the social sciences", The Annual Conference of the Israeli Association of Sociology, (Feb. 2015) The Emek –Hayarden College.

6. Geo-Body: Bodies and cultural geographies". Cultural Geography workshop, (Oct., 2014), Kay College, Beer-Sheva.
7. "The past for the future: The role of spatial memories in the planning process with community". Colloquium of the Department of Geography and Environmental Development, (June, 2012), Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.
8. "Professional and local knowledge and the use of mental maps in planning with communities". Planning course, Bezalel Academy of Art and Design, (April, 2012), Jerusalem.
9. "The urban space of Tel-Aviv Jaffa from a queer view: Perspectives, needs and the planning practice". Community's conference, (Sept., 2011), HIT- Holon Institute of Technology.
10. "Planning with communities: The case of Meonot-Yam, Bat-Yam". Colloquium of the Department of Geography and Human Environment, (May, 2011), Tel Aviv University.

Honors and Awards

1. 2014 – Moran Zafrir Prize for Transgender and Gender Crossing Research, Tel Aviv University (monetary reward)
2. 2009-2012 –The School of History and PECLAB, Tel Aviv University Full Scholarship for Excellence Fellowship.

Travel Grants from Conference Organizers

1. European Association of Israel Studies Annual Conference (2016, SOAS, London).
2. European Geographies of Sexuality Conferences (2015, Rome; 2013, Lisbon; 2011, Brussels).
3. "Emotional Geographies" Groningen, the Netherlands, (2013)

Academic Reviews

Reviewer for the following peer reviewed journals:

Gender, Place and Culture: A Journal for Feminist Geography

HAGAR- Studies in Culture, Politics and Identities

Urban Studies

Journal of Homosexuality

Transport Reviews

Theory and Criticism (Hebrew)

Zmanim – Historical Quarterly (Hebrew)

Academic and Professional Administration

Conference Organizer

1. International Workshop (With Prof. Tovi Fenster) "Contested Urban Spaces in the 21st Century: Planning with Recognition", Tel Aviv University, 2012.
2. Pre-Conference Meeting of the Commission of Gender and Geography, IGU (International Geographical Union) (with Prof. Tovi Fenster and Dr. Orna Blumen) Jerusalem, July, 2010.
3. Annual Conference, "Bimkom" organizer (with others) "On Planning and Borders", 2003.

Organizing Committee Member

1. 13th Lexical conference, Minerva Center for the Humanities, Tel-Aviv University and Department of Politics and Government, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, 2016.
2. 12th Lexical conference, Minerva Center for the Humanities, Tel Aviv University, 2015.
3. Workshop entitled "Knowledge in this place", Minerva Center for the Humanities and The Safra Center for Ethics, Tel Aviv University, 2015.
4. "Bimkom" - Planners for Planning Rights (NGO), 2015.
5. "Another Sex" (2013, 2014, 2015), Tel Aviv University.
6. "Cities of Tomorrow" Conference, Tel Aviv University, 2009
7. "Bimkom"- Planners for Planning Rights. Participation in the planning rights workshop, Sderot, 2003-2004.

Professional Organizations

AAG- Association of American Geographers

RBG- Royal British Geographers (and member of the SSQRG: Space, Sexualities and Queer Research Group – as part of the RBG)

IGU - International Geographical Union (and the Gender Commission within the IGU)

Israel Sociology Society

Israeli Geography Association

Israel Planners Association

Exhibits

Organizing committee of "Intervals" (1 and 2) "Intervals" – Art sale and exhibition fund raiser for legal aid to activists in the Palestinian-Israeli joint struggle against the occupation (2013, 2014), Minshar Gallery.

Languages

Hebrew (fluent), English (fluent), German (very basic)