

Conference on Genocide in Literature: Jewish and Armenian Perspectives

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In cooperation with

**The Department of Hebrew Literature, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
HEKSHERIM the Research Institute for Jewish and Israeli Literature and Culture**

Co-chairs:

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Wednesday, April 13, 2016

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Opening Session

Greeting: AUA Provost Randall Rhodes
Opening Remarks: AUA Dean Tom Samuelian,
College of Humanities & Social Sciences

Chairperson: Harutyun Marutyan

Speaker:

Ora Ahimeir - *From Aleppo to Jerusalem - A
Quest for Refuge and Rest: the Writer's View*

8:00pm- 9:00 pm – **Dinner**

Thursday, April 14, 2016

10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Session one:

Chairperson: Shushan Avakyan

Speakers:

Arto Vaun - *Standing in the Doorway: The
Poet Between Languages, Between
Worlds*

Yael Ben-Zvi Morad - *Perceptions of
Human Identity in Jewish Autobiographies
by Holocaust Survivors and Their
Descendants*

Khachik Gasparyan - *Untellable Stories -
Taboos in Genocide Narrative: A
Psychological Perspective*

Roy Greenwald - *The Transmissibility of
Violence: The Pogrom Stories of Lamed
Shapiro.*

12:00 noon - 1:30 pm - **Lunch at AUA**

Thursday, April 14, 2016

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Session two:

Chairperson: Greg Areshian

Speakers:

Haim Weiss - *The Bar Kosibah Revolt and the
Rewriting of National Tragedy*

Ashot Voskanyan - *The Armenian Genocide in
International Relations Narratives: A
Philosophical and Phenomenological Perspective*

Peter Sh. Lehnardt - *'God, Do Not Be Silent
Over My Blood:' Narrative and Poetic Responses
to the Persecution of Jewish communities during
the First Crusade*

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm - **Coffee break**

3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Session three:

Chairperson: Catherine Buon

Speakers:

Siranush Dvovyan - *The Genocide as a Part of
Ethnic Identity in Armenian Literature*

Amos Goldberg - *Three Forms of Post-Genocidal
Violence in Beni Wirberg's Memoir*

Vahram Danielyan - *The Genocide in Diasporic
Literature*

Shushan Avakyan - *Translating the Unspeakable:
Language-bound Concepts in Genocide
Literature*

closing remarks: Yair Auron

6:30 pm - **Dinner**