

# SHALOM AUSTIN'S

# MEANINGFUL MONTH OF MAY

In Judaism, it's all about **community**. We gather together to remember our history, mourn our losses, celebrate our culture, and dream for our future. This is highlighted beautifully in the spring, and we invite you to join your Shalom Austin community as we mark **Yom HaShoah, Yom HaZikaron, and Yom HaAtzmaut** – the “Meaningful Month of May.”

For the first time this year, we are adding **educational electives** to each celebration or commemoration. Whether you are interested in learning more about the holiday, participating in the ritual aspects, or both, there will be a way for everyone to connect.

**CHECK OUT THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**



## MAY 1 YOM HASHOAH

### 6:00 - 6:45 PM – EDUCATIONAL ELECTIVES

- “How to Interview a Loved One for Their Life Stories” - *Mike O’Krent*
- “Collective Memory and Remembrance” - *Rabbi Amy Cohen*
- “From Anne Frank on Broadway to the X-Men Onscreen: How Artists Have Adapted the Shoah for Popular Consumption (and Why It Should Matter to Us)” - *Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission*
- “Echoes & Reflections Holocaust Education Resources” - *Anti-Defamation League*
- “The Stories and Perspectives of the Children of the Survivors of the Holocaust (2nd/3rd Generation)” - *Lucy Katz*

### 7 PM – Community Yom HaShoah Ceremony

## MAY 7 YOM HAZIKARON

### 6:00 - 6:45 PM – EDUCATIONAL ELECTIVES

- “Experiences of a Lone Soldier” - *Cantor Yitzhak Ben-Moshe*
- “Commemoration Through Animation: Yom HaZikaron in Film” - *Israeli American Council*
- “Rav Shlomo Goren and the Modern State: Rabbi, Chaplain, Trailblazer” - *Rabbi Dan Millner*
- “Yom HaZikaron 101” - *Rabbi Rebecca Reice*

### 7 PM – Community Yom HaZikaron Ceremony

## MAY 9 YOM HAATZMAUT

**4:00 - 6:00 PM – Israeli Festival** (For the whole family)  
Food trucks, musical performance, children’s activities, and more!

### 6:00 - 6:45 PM – EDUCATIONAL ELECTIVES

- “The Beginning of Our Redemption: The Religious Significance of the Jewish State” - *Rabbi Dan Millner*
- “One Month After: The Israeli Election Process” - *Dr. Harvey Raben*
- “Relating to Israel” - *Rabbi Steven Folberg*
- “Resource Fair” - *Jewish National Fund, Israeli American Council, Birthright Israel, Hadassah, Hillel, and more!*

**7 - 8 PM – Israeli Wine Tasting & Bar Trivia** \*Adults Only (21+)\*  
Pre-registration is required for this event: [shalomaustin.org/wineandtrivia](http://shalomaustin.org/wineandtrivia)

**ALL CLASSES/PROGRAMS WILL TAKE PLACE AT SHALOM AUSTIN.**