

◆ **A.M. Keynote: CATHERINE ANAYA**

Three-time Emmy Award-winning journalist CATHERINE ANAYA anchors the CBS Channel 5 - KPHO-TV News. She joined CBS 5 News in January 2003. She is a community activist and has received many awards. She traveled to Israel as part of a group of National Latino Leaders and Journalists invited to the country for a week-long educational seminar.

SESSION 1 - 9:55 – 10:50 a.m.

A. "THE STATE OF ISRAEL 2009 ~ EXTREME CHALLENGES" Iran is building a nuclear bomb; the clock is ticking. Hamas continues to smuggle in weapons through tunnels and lob rockets into Israel. Hezbollah has more rockets in its arsenal than before the 2006 Lebanon War. Is there a chance for a peace agreement with the Palestinian Authority? Gain a better understanding of the complex issues facing Israel today.

Craig Weiss, co-author of I Am My Brother's Keeper: American Volunteers in Israel's War for Independence 1947-1949

B. "ILLUSIONS & ILLUSIONISTS-- HOW TO FOOL THE BRAIN WITH MAGIC AND OTHER TRICKS" The Brain is our most complex organ. How does the brain perceive the world and what can we learn from various neuroscience techniques about attention, awareness and cognition? Illusions, including those in magic shows, have deceived and entertained observers for centuries. Learn how these methods are aiding researchers to understand the brain and help patients.

Dr. Susana Martinez-Conde, Barrows Neurological Institute

C. "ISLAM IN OUR TIME"

This session will focus on the history of Islam and trace its "peaceful" rise to dominance for a good portion of the world today. What are the true goals of those who adhere to the religion of Islam?

Learn the facts to better understand our world today.

Aaron Scholar, Director, Bureau of Jewish Education

D. "FROM LABORATORY BENCH TO PATIENT BEDSIDE— RESEARCH THAT IS REACHING THE PATIENT" The Translational Genomics Research Institute (TGen), located in Phoenix, Arizona, is a bio-medical research facility focused on developing earlier diagnostics, prognostics and smarter treatments for patients suffering from a broad range of common and complex diseases. Learn about current research advances to unravel the genetic components of many types of cancers, diabetes and neurological diseases such as Alzheimer's and ALS, as well as clinical research services underway at Scottsdale Healthcare.

Denise McClintic, Associate Vice President of Development of T-Gen

E. "JUST DO IT--A WOMAN'S PERSPECTIVE ON MAKING THE MOST OF WHO AND WHERE YOU ARE IN YOUR LIFE." Hillel said "Say little and do much." Think "Outside the Box" and take risks to reap rewards. Explore ways to "re-invent oneself" to change the course of one's life and to look at the upside of life from a Jewish perspective.

Masada Siegel, Columnist-The Jerusalem Post, The Canadian Jewish News, CNN

SESSION 2 - 11:00 – 11:55 a.m.

A. "FORBIDDEN SCIENCE— "ARE THERE MORAL LIMITS TO BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE?" There are many morally controversial topics in biomedicine – animal research, stem cell biology, cloning, and more. Some believe strongly that even if it is controversial, the research is so important that scientists should not be hampered. Others are skeptical, either of the research or the scientists, and would prefer restrictions. Should some biomed research be forbidden? If so, which ones? And how?

Professor Jason Robert, PhD, Arizona State University

B. "THE EVOLUTION OF JEWISH IDENTITY: FROM WORSHIP OF THE JEWISH GOD TO WORSHIP OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE." Modern events and our sense of vulnerability have created a profound transformation of our identity. How did survival and peoplehood become the dominant trends in contemporary Jewish communal life?

Professor Martin Levin, PhD BJE's Melton Adult Mini School

C "TECHNOLOGY AND THE CITY" When we think of cities we usually think of skyscrapers, traffic, and good restaurants. Explore some of the things that are usually hidden from view, but are absolutely necessary for cities to exist. What allows millions of people to live in close proximity to each other? Technology -- Lots and lots of technology. In this session we'll look at London for the vast technological networks that allow cities to exist, but are usually hidden from our sight..

Professor Jameson Whitmore, PhD, Arizona State University

D. "A LOOK IN THE MIRROR: BODY IMAGE AND EATING PROBLEMS AMONG JEWISH WOMEN!" Explore issues of body image and the connection to eating problems among Jewish females. How can we make some changes – for ourselves and our daughters?.

Marjorie Feinson, PhD, Hebrew University

◆ **P.M. Keynote: WILLARD SPIEGELMAN, PhD**

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8:45 - 9:15 Registration
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9:55 - 10:50 Session 1
11:00 - 11:55 Session 2
12:00 - Luncheon/Speaker/Raffles

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