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Jewish Art in German-Speaking Countries

a research conference at Arizona State University

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OCTOBER 5-6, 2009

keynote address
“The Big Void: In Search of Jewish Culture in Post-War Germany”
Michael Brenner, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, München
7 p.m. | October 5 | University Club
free & open to the public

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Monday, October 5 | 7-9 p.m.
University Club, South room | Tempe campus of Arizona State University
425 East University Drive | Tempe, Arizona
(480) 965-0700

Chair: Hava Tirosh-Samuelson, Director Center for Jewish Studies
Welcome: Deborah Losse, Dean of Humanities College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Author Reading with Doron Rabinovici
Readings will be in German, followed by discussion in English.

Tuesday, October 6 | 2-3:30 p.m.
Institute for Humanities Research | Social Science Building, room 109 | Tempe campus of Arizona State University

Co-sponsored by the School of International Letters and Cultures.

“Jewish Youth in Germany Today: A Multi-Media Project”
Andreas Bechtold, Hochschule Konstanz

Tuesday, October 6 | 7-9 p.m.
Congregation Beth Israel
10460 North 56th Street | Scottsdale, Arizona
(southwest corner of 56th Street & Shea Boulevard)
(480) 951-0323

The project “Jewish Youth in Germany today” is the result of the dedicated work of nine students of communication design at the University of Applied Sciences in Constance, Germany. It encompasses an exhibition that toured the U.S., Germany and Israel as well as several publications and the documentary “Fish and Bird - Encounters with Young Jews”. Sixty years after the Holocaust, the objective of our initiative was to shed light on an important, but not widely known aspect of contemporary Germany: how do young Jews live in Germany today? Based on the analysis of the documentary and the presentation of excerpts from the exhibition, the aim of this presentation will be to describe essential perceptions of young Jews in contemporary Germany and to sum up the main issues these young men and women face: to maintain Jewish traditions in a widely secularized society, to cope with rightwing extremism in Germany, and immigration from the former Soviet Union.