

Be'chol Lashon (In Every Tongue) of the Institute for Jewish & Community Research

MULTICULTURAL SHAVUOT FESTIVAL

FREE

Open to
the Public

JOIN BLACK, ASIAN, LATINO, AND MIXED RACE JEWS TO CELEBRATE SHAVUOT (THE FESTIVAL OF THE GIVING OF THE TORAH) AND THE INCLUSIVENESS OF JUDAISM

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- TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM (SAN LEANDRO)
- TEMPLE ISAIAH OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
- TEMPLE ISRAEL OF ALAMEDA
- TEMPLE SINAI

• A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE BERKELEY RICHMOND JCC FOR DONATING THEIR CENTER

FEATURING

Music, Dance & Workshops

RABBI CAPERS FUNNYE

Beth Shalom B'nai Zaken
Ethiopian Hebrew
Congregation, Chicago

RABBI GERSHOM SIZOMU

Abayudaya Jews, Uganda

MIRI HUNTER HARUACH, PH.D.

Director, Project Sheba, LA

Drum Circle

Bring your drums and other instruments!

Adult Discussion Workshops (2:00 - 3:30)
(with supervised activities for children)

Family Art Stations

Many cultures celebrate spring and the first fruits of the harvest.

Asian/Jewish Art

Make beautiful block prints of typical *bikkurim* (harvest fruits and vegetables) from China and Israel.

Latino/Jewish Art

Create festive spring flowers and decorative paper cuts, called *papel picado* in Spanish and *shavuoslech* in Yiddish.

African/Jewish Art

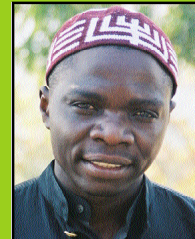
Choose from a variety of African, West Indian, and European *Besamim* (spices) to create potpourri for *Havdalah* to remind us of the beautiful fragrance of the season. Also, *chi chis* (hair wraps) & henna tattoos.

Book Fair

Multiracial/multicultural books for children and adults offered by Cody's Bookstore.

Shavuot Specialties

Taste Senegalese cuisine from Bissap Baobab.



Sunday
May 23
2004
1-4pm

LOCATION:

BERKELEY RICHMOND
JEWISH COMMUNITY
CENTER

1414 WALNUT ST.

BERKELEY

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DURING THE JEWISH HOLIDAY OF SHAVUOT, WE COMMEMORATE "ZMAN MATAN TORATAYNU," THE TIME OF THE GIVING OF THE TORAH AT MOUNT SINAI. TRADITION ASSERTS THAT ALL JEWS THROUGHOUT HISTORY STOOD AT SINAI, INCLUDING FUTURE GENERATIONS AND THOSE WHO JOIN THE JEWISH PEOPLE THROUGH CONVERSION. ON THIS HOLIDAY, IT IS CUSTOMARY TO READ THE BOOK OF RUTH; RUTH IS CONSIDERED THE FIRST CONVERT TO JUDAISM. JUST AS RUTH GAINED A NEW COMMUNAL AND SPIRITUAL IDENTITY, WE BECAME THE JEWISH PEOPLE AT SINAI.