



THE SIXTH ANNUAL SANTA BARBARA TEACH-IN ON ISRAEL

A day of learning, schmoozing, fabulous food and fantastic speakers.

Sunday April 22, 2012 | 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Santa Barbara Hillel • 781 Embarcadero Del Mar • Goleta, CA 93117



David Siegel, Consul General of Israel (Special Guest Speaker)

The senior representative of the State of Israel to the Southwestern United States, Mr. Siegel previously served in the Israeli Embassy as Chief of Staff to three of Israel's Ambassadors to the U.S. For nearly a decade he was Israel's voice to the Washington press corps, and was deeply involved in policy coordination with the State Dept., the National Security Council and the White House. During these years, Mr. Siegel also participated in the 1998 Wye River talks and the Camp David Peace Summit in the Fall of 2000.



Tal Becker (Morning Keynote Speaker)

Beyond Survival: Re-imagining the Jewish Conversation on Israel

Tal Becker is a Fellow at the Hartman Institute in Jerusalem, and former advisor to then-foreign minister Tzipi Livni. He previously served as the director of the Foreign Ministry's International Law Department, and Counsel to Israel's UN Mission. Becker makes a case for all Jews to engage anew with how we define our Zionism, making the connection between the core ethical values of our tradition and our enduring commitment to the existence of Israel as a Jewish state.



Gershom Gorenberg (Afternoon Keynote Speaker)

The Unmaking of Israel

Israeli journalist and historian Gershom Gorenberg is the author of *The Accidental Empire* and co-author of *Shalom, Friend: The Life and Legacy of Yitzhak Rabin*, which won the National Jewish Book Award. He has appeared on Sixty Minutes, Dateline, Fresh Air and CNN. His recent book, *The Unmaking of Israel*, addresses what he views as the dangers posed to Israeli democracy by ongoing rule of the West Bank and the entanglement of religion and state.

Plus... Break-out sessions on topics including:

- **Israel and a Changing Middle East: Challenges and Opportunities** (Tal Becker)
- **Israeli History 101** (Roberta Seid, Lecturer, School of Social Science, UC Irvine)
- **Israel Advocacy Toolbox** - Standing up for Israel on your own terms. What's in *your* toolbox? (Presented by StandWithUs)
- **Gershom Gorenberg, Up Close and Personal** - An opportunity to continue the conversation
- **Israeli Politics and The Israeli Political System** - The context and constraints of Israel's political leadership (Heather Stoll, Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Science, UCSB)
- **Changing Gender Roles in the IDF** (Meital Levy, Santa Barbara Hillel Israel Fellow)

- **Breakfast Nosh** - Arrive early and join us for coffee and bagels provided by the Israel Committee of Santa Barbara
- **Lunch** - Time to relax and chat about the morning speakers while enjoying a delicious buffet provided by the Israel Committee
- **Wine and Cheese Reception** - Stick around for wine and cheese, talk over the day and meet the speakers

Come for the Teach-In, make it a week-end!

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