

Prof. Ephraim Shoham-Steiner

Encore Guest Scholar

Shabbat Terumah

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Prof. Shoham-Steiner will not only focus on the past, he will discuss the present moment in Israel relating to the proposed overhaul of the Israeli judicial system. Having been present at Knesset committee meetings - and the most recent Jerusalem protest (which saw over 100,000 people), Prof. Shoham-Steiner is in a unique position to explain to us what is going on and why it matters, to Israelis and to the entire Jewish people.

9 – 9:30 AM SPECIAL PRE-SERVICE TALK, COFFEE & DANISH

Judicial Reform in Israel:

What is Going on and Why it Matters. . . to All of Us

DURING SHABBAT SERVICES

Rashi's Anxiety: Cherubs, Idolatry and Figural Art in the Medieval Synagogue.

Just as our art conveys a Jewish narrative for our time, art in the middle ages served a similar purpose.

What did figurative art in the medieval synagogue mean to our forebears?

What does it mean to us, centuries later?

FOLLOWING KIDDUSH

Lions and Dragons and Cherubs, Oh My!

Prof. Shoham-Steiner will give us close look at the Cologne Synagogue, and describe how some of the artistic creations were received by the rabbis of the time. Take a guess . . .