

ERETZ YISRAEL - AM YISRAEL

Zionism: Ancient Dream or Modern Revolution? Joshua Shanes

Thurs., Sept. 12 @ 8:30 PM



Zionism, like all forms of modern Judaism - considers itself an obvious consummation of thousands of years of Judaism and of Jewish longing for the Land of Israel. Yet, like all forms of Judaism today, it is quintessentially modern. It is in fact a secular revolution that that draws selectively on Jewish tradition - choosing some texts over others, some traditions over others - to makes its case for authenticity.

This lecture will explain the emergence of the Zionist movement and trace how it fits into the mosaic of modern Judaisms in the 20th and 21st centuries. Joshua Shanes is Professor of Jewish Studies, and Director of the Arnold Center for Israel Studies, at the College of Charleston. He has published widely on modern Jewish politics, culture, and religion - as well as antisemitism and contemporary politics - in academic and popular outlets, including Slate, Washington Post, Haaretz, and the Forward. His history of Jewish Orthodoxy is due to appear next year with Rutgers University Press.

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