

## *Contributors*

RABBI RUTH ABUSCH-MAGDER, PHD, received her doctorate from Yale University for a dissertation entitled *Home-made Judaism: Food and Domestic Jewish Life in Germany and America 1848–1914* and wrote a hands-on Jewish food curriculum as a Jerusalem Fellow at the Mandel Leadership Institute in 2007. She has served as the director of Continuing Alumni Education for Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion and is the rabbi-in-residence for Be'Chol Lashon. Rabbi Abusch-Magder is a frequent writer and teacher on topics relating to Jewish food. She lives and bakes in San Francisco with her husband David and their two children.

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Institute of Religion in 2006. She co-edited the anthology *Joining the Sisterhood: Young Jewish Women Write Their Lives*, published by the State University of New York Press in 2003. She lives in Venice, California, with her husband, Rabbi Amitai Adler, who is (among other things) a masterful chef of extraordinary kosher cuisine.

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TRISHA ARLIN recently completed a year's study as an Arts Fellow at the Drisha Institute (2009–10) and is in the sixth cohort of the Davening Leadership Training Institute beginning in the summer of 2010. She has been a member of Kolot Chayeinu / Voices of Our Lives since 1997 and edits their journal, *VOICES*, which can be seen at <http://kolotchayeinu.org/voices/>. Trisha received her BA in theater from Antioch College in 1975 and MFA in film (screenwriting) from Columbia University's Graduate School of the Arts Film Division in 1997. Arlin works as a freelance writer and editor. From 2003 to 2005 she wrote and performed her one-person show, *Things I Have Believed In*. Currently she is working on *d'vrei t'filah*, some of which can be seen on her blog, <http://triganza.blogspot.com>.

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watchdog of the alcoholic beverage industry. Ordained in 1997 from Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion in New York, she has served congregations in Potomac, Maryland, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, and Cary, North Carolina. She has published six books for Jewish children and teens, including *Lilith's Ark*, which received a National Jewish Book Award.

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RABBI SUE LEVI ELWELL edited *The Open Door*, the CCAR Haggadah (2002), served as the poetry editor and member of the editorial board of the award-winning *The Torah: A Women’s Commentary* (2008), and was one of the editors of *Lesbian Rabbis: The First Generation* (2001). The founding director of the Los Angeles Jewish Feminist Center and the first rabbinic director of Ma’yan, Rabbi Elwell has served congregations in California, New Jersey, and Virginia. She currently serves as Union rabbi and worship specialist for the Union for Reform Judaism.

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RABBI PETER E. KASDAN was named rabbi emeritus when he retired in July 2001, after serving as rabbi of Temple Emanu-El of West Essex, Livingston, New Jersey, for thirty years. He continues to be

motivated in retirement by social justice, NFTY, JFTY's Mitzvah Corps and the URJ's Kutz Camp, the survival of the Ethiopian Jews, and the People and State of Israel, all of which were a major part of his rabbinic career. He served on the Commission of Social Action of Reform Judaism, on the board of ARZA / World Union, North America, as president of the Scholarship Fund for Ethiopian Jews, and as the rabbinic advisor of the Jewish Genetic Disease Consortium. He was the recipient of the UAHC's Fund for Reform Judaism Distinguished Service Award, a NFTY life membership, and the CCAR's Rabbi Samuel Cook Award for Service to Youth. His life-long efforts on behalf of the migrant worker community, specifically his support of and personal friendship with Cesar Chavez and the multi-generations of the Chavez-Rodriguez family, was and remains a highlight of his life.

RABBI ZOË KLEIN is the senior rabbi of Temple Isaiah in Los Angeles. She is the author of the novel *Drawing in the Dust*. She and her husband Rabbi Jonathan Klein have three children, who, if they had their way, would prefer their parents to make three different main courses for each of them for dinner.

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RABBI PETER KNOBEL is rabbi emeritus of Beth Emet the Free Synagogue in Evanston, Illinois. He is the immediate past president of the CCAR and past chair of the CCAR Ad Hoc Editorial Siddur Committee, which produced *Misbkan T'filab*.

TERJE Z. LANDE wrote his doctoral dissertation on the economic geography of Israel and has been enamored by of Israeli wines ever since. A graduate of the Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration (Dr. Oecon, MA, and MSc), he was a Fulbright Scholar at Hunter College in New York and a visiting research student at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He lives in Westfield, New Jersey, with his wife, Rabbi Mary L. Zamore, and their son Aryeh.

RABBI GERSH LAZAROW emigrated to Australia from South Africa twenty-five years ago. He attended a Jewish day school in Melbourne and later completed a completed a bachelor of arts at Monash University. After obtaining his graduate diploma in teaching, he commenced his rabbinical studies at Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion in Los Angeles. He successfully obtained his master of Hebrew letters in 2006 followed by a master of Jewish education the following year. Gersh receive his rabbinic ordination in May 2009 and returned to Melbourne with his wife, Michelle, and their two children, Livia and Samuel, to begin his tenure as rabbi of the King David School, Australia’s only Reform day school. Gersh is a passionate educator with a strong commitment to Reform Jewish values, tradition, and community. When he is not teaching, Gersh can usually be found standing next to a barbecue enjoying the pleasures of a good grain-fed steak.

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RABBI SETH M. LIMMER is rabbi of Congregation B'nai Yisrael of Armonk, New York. Five years ago, his synagogue began to explore new directions in kashrut. Those discussions led the congregation to partner with the Roxbury Farm and Neighbor's Link, a nearby immigrant workers' center, thereby creating a CSA model that provides healthy and nutritious food both for those able to afford its cost and also for the working poor. Seth received his doctorate of Hebrew letters in 2008 from Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion in the field of Rabbinic hermeneutics, but more importantly is married to Molly Morse Limmer, with whom he is a proud parent to Rosey Esther and Lily Benjamin Limmer, perhaps the future farmers of America.

RABBI ELLEN LIPPMANN is founder and rabbi of Kolot Chayeinu / Voices of Our Lives, a seventeen-year-old progressive community in Brooklyn, New York. Rabbi Lippmann is the former East Coast director of MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger, and former director of the Jewish



Women's Program at the New 14th Street Y in Manhattan. She was an active participant in Interfaith Voices Against Hunger. Rabbi Lippmann is co-chair, with Rabbi Tirzah Firestone, of Rabbis for Human Rights–North America and serves on the board of the Shalom Center. She is also on the rabbinic advisory boards for the Hannah Senesh School and Jews for Racial and Economic Justice and served as the first social justice chair for the Women's Rabbinic Network. She is the co-founder of the seven-year-old Children of Abraham Peace Walk: Jews, Christians and Muslims Walking Together in Brooklyn in Peace. She was ordained in 1991 by Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion and also received there the degree of master of Hebrew letters. She holds a BA in English language and literature from Boston University and an MS in library science from Simmons College. Rabbi Lippmann and her partner are longtime Brooklyn residents.

RABBI RICHARD LITVAK is senior rabbi of Temple Beth El in Aptos, California, one of the richest agricultural areas in North America. Rabbi Litvak has long been concerned with the plight of the farm workers and has actively been involved in the United Farm Workers Union. He helped the UFW secure the first union contracts for strawberry pickers. Rabbi Litvak has served on the Kashrut Committee of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. As a committee member he encouraged concern for the just treatment of farm workers be an important part of a contemporary Reform Jewish food ethic.

RABBI ROBERT J. MARX is the rabbi emeritus of Congregation Hakafa in Glencoe, Illinois. He was ordained at the Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion in 1951, and earned a PhD at Yale University. He is the founder of Chicago's Jewish Council on Urban Affairs and a co-founder of Interfaith Worker Justice. In both organizations he seeks to bring prophetic values to the problems of contemporary society.

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RABBI JOEL MOSBACHER (Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion, Cincinnati, 1998; DMin, New York, 2007) is the rabbi of Beth Haverim Shir Shalom in Mahwah, New Jersey. He is married to Elyssa and is Ari and Lev's *aba*. He spent five weeks this past summer volunteering at Kayam Farm at the Pearlstone Center in Reisterstown, Maryland, tending to the farm in the morning and studying Jewish text related to agriculture in the afternoon.

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RABBI ELLEN WEINBERG DREYFUS is president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. She is the rabbi of B'nai Yehuda Beth Sholom, a Reform congregation in the south suburbs of Chicago. She loves to cook and has written and lectured for many years on issues about Jews and food.

RABBI JOSH WHINSTON serves as spiritual leader of Temple Beth David in Cheshire, Connecticut. Rabbi Whinston's experience slaughtering chickens was a profound, life-changing moment that he will never forget. Although slaughtering is not a part of his regular duties as rabbi, it will forever shape his rabbinate.

RABBI ERIC H. YOFFIE is the President of the Union for Reform Judaism, the congregational arm of the Reform Jewish Movement in North America. The Union represents 1.5 million Reform Jews in more than nine hundred synagogues across the United States and Canada. Installed as president in June 1996, Rabbi Yoffie has led the Reform Movement in exciting new directions, moving congregational life toward greater attention to Torah study and adult literacy. In addition Rabbi Yoffie has created two worship initiatives for the Reform Movements and has been a pioneer in interfaith relations with both Christians and Muslims. Rabbi Yoffie has also been deeply involved in issues of social justice and community concern. He has also worked tirelessly on behalf of the Jewish state and the rights of Reform Jews in Israel, and meets frequently with Israel's elected officials. Raised in Worcester, Massachusetts, Rabbi Yoffie was ordained at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York in 1974, and served congregations in Lynbrook, New York, and Durham, North Carolina, before joining the Union in 1980. He and his wife, Amy

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