

Trails of Delray Beach Study Guide 2024 - 2025



Brandeis
National
Committee



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Speakers
Theater
Music
Art*

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C/O Lois Feldman
5407 Viburnum St.
Delray Beach, Florida 33484**

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SPECIAL EVENT REGISTRATION

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Jean Persky

15355 Lakes of Delray Boulevard #304

Delray Beach, Florida 33484

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WHAT ARE TRIBUTE CARDS

They are a personal expression of caring. Each card represents a donation to Brandeis while not mentioning the amount given and we send them to commemorate a happiness, sadness or just friendship. They come in various denominations expressed on beautifully crafted greeting cards.

We also have special cards where the sentiment expressed as you wish in a small leather folder usually reserved for big birthdays and anniversaries with the designation noted on the front as a Learned Research Journal or Learned Research Journal Folio where a bookplate is placed in a book in the Brandeis Library.

Please call:

Eileen Charyn 561-865-8396 (summer 516-538-7490)

RENEWAL and NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please send check made payable to BNC

Single Membership \$60.00

Couples Membership \$100.00

To: Lois Feldman - 5407 Viburnum Street,
Delray Beach, Florida 33484

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CHAPTER : TRAILS of DELRAY BEACH New ☐ Renewal ☐

Member of another chapter \$15.00 ☐

SEASONAL RESIDENT: For Mailing Purposes

NORTHERN ADDRESS: _____

Dates: From _____ To _____

Seasonal Telephone: _____

Membership Questions?

Lois Feldman 561-499-3535 Feldman_lois@bellsouth.net

Remember to send **SEPARATE** checks for Membership and Renewal to
Membership chair and study group checks to Registrar.

All Checks made out to: BNC

**DO NOT COMBINE MEMBERSHIP DUES WITH
STUDY GROUP FEES.**

MISSION STATEMENT

Brandeis National Committee is dedicated to providing philanthropic support to Brandeis University, a distinguished liberal arts and research university founded by the American Jewish community. Its membership is connected to the University through fundraising and through activities that reflect the values on which the University was founded: academic excellence, social justice, non-sectarianism and service to the community.

History:

Beginning in 1955, the concept of study groups began to be nurtured. Since BNC was supporting an institution of higher learning, it was felt that Brandeis should offer some form of advanced learning to its membership. Thus, Brandeis faculty members were asked to prepare study guides. In 1957 the first study guides and brieflets (shorter guides) were used by the BNC chapter members. The individual chapters also meet the needs of their members by offering special groups and topics.

Brandeis National Committee, Trails of Delray Beach Chapter presents an exciting array of study groups for the year **2024 - 2025**. Remember, many of the classes are limited so please register early.

Attendance Policy:

Please note the following policy: Trails of Delray Beach Chapter members get priority. In the event that a study group is full, you can be put on a waiting list. Any person who is a member of another chapter of BNC and wishes to receive our mailings may submit a check for \$15.00 (to BNC), mailed to Lois Feldman, 5407 Viburnum St., Delray Beach, Fl. 33484.

**WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CANCEL A STUDY GROUP IF THERE IS
INSUFFICIENT ENROLLMENT.**

Guest policy

**All non member guests may attend only one session.
Admission is based on seating availability.
A guest fee may be charged.**

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Dear Friends,

Carol Klausner & Nan Schwartz
Co-Presidents

Our Trails of Delray Beach Board

Don't Miss Out! Register for your Study Groups Now!

Take advantage of the 2024/2025 Study Group Fee
\$125 for all your chosen Study Groups.

Or

\$20.00 per Study Group for individual courses.
2024/2025 Dues must be paid to register.

Study Group Sites

South County Civic Center
16700 Jog Road
Delray Beach, Florida 33446

Temple Shaarei Shalom
9085 Hagen Ranch Road
Boynton Beach, Florida

Trails of Delray Beach Website

CHECK IT OUT...

<http://blogs.brandeis.edu/bnctrailsofdelray>

Look up Study Groups

See messages from the Presidents

Stay up to date with Special Events

Trails of Delray Beach Email:

trailsofdelraybeach@gmail.com

TRAILS OF DELRAY BEACH
BOARD MEETINGS
HELD

2ND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
(Unless otherwise noted in Trailblazer)
Locations will be posted in Trailblazer

League of Women Voters
 Let's Talk
 Important Issues, Great Speaker,
 Share your thoughts.
 Wednesday, October 23, 2024
 10:00 AM
 South County Civic Center

**Trails of Delray Beach, Wellworth &
 Wycliffe Chapters
 Delray Beach Playhouse**

The Producers
Saturday, December 7, 2024
2:00 PM

BNC member \$45.00
 Non-member \$50.00

Tovah Feldshuh as "Leona "
 (One woman show based on the play
 Mean Queen)
Thursday, January 9, 2025 2:00 PM
 BNC member \$75.00
 Non-member \$80.00

Course 25

Harry Getzov - Presents Burt Bacharach

Day: Monday
 Date: March 10, 2025
 Time: 1:00 PM
 Venue: Temple Shaarei Shalom, 9085 Hagen Ranch Road
 Boynton Beach, FL.

Over 1,000 different artists have recorded Bacharach's songs. From 1961 to 1972, most of Bacharach and David's hits were written specifically for and performed by Dionne Warwick, but earlier associations (from 1957 to 1963) saw the composing duo work with Marty Robbins, Perry Como, Gene McDaniels, and Jerry Butler. Following the initial success of these collaborations, Bacharach wrote hits for singers such as Gene Pitney, Cilla Black, Dusty Springfield, Tom Jones,



Course 23



Day: Thursday
Date: February 27, 2025
Time: 10:00 AM
Venue: South County Civic Center

Dan Hudak is a Hollywood Guru. So let's talk OSCARS!
Dan will take us through this past year of movies and the list of Oscar nominated actors and films.
The Oscars are Sunday, March 2nd, so this presenter is right on time.
We can talk about our favorites and hear what this Hollywood Authority thinks about the nominees and their chances.

Course 24 Sharon Segal talks LIPSTICK



Day: Tuesday
Date: January 28
Time: 10:00 AM
Venue: South County Civic Center

If you thought you knew about Lipstick, you did not!
Sharon shares her knowledge of makeup, especially lipstick. The history of how women and men used the enhancement through the ages. The cosmetic companies that developed the brands through the years and the fortunes that were made with this one product.
We all wear it everyday, now let's find out how it all began.



OPENING MEETING

Monday
December 16, 2024
10:00 AM

South County Civic Center
Coffee/Tea & Nosh

Speaker: Mayor Maria Sachs
Palm Beach County



Assistant State Attorney: Prosecutor, Major Crimes.
Miami Dade County, Janet Reno. Broward County,
Michael Satz.

Join us and meet mayor Maria Sachs.
Hear what she has to say about life in Palm Beach County.

Guests and prospective members welcome.

This year we will again offer a flat fee of \$125 for all Study Groups. Pay once and be able to attend as many or all of our Study Group offerings.
Single Study Group rate will be \$20 per session (exceptions are Book Discussion and Cinema Critique).
Send in your registration with your check soon.
Don't miss out!

Course: 1
BOOK DISCUSSION

Day: Fridays
Time: 10:00 AM *1:00 PM
Venue: Civic Center
Administrators:
Stephanie Klein 954-892-0522
Ilene Goby 203-331-6970



Please join us for another stimulating season of literary adventures.

Friday, October 25, 2024 — *1:00 p.m
The Frozen River—Ariel Lawhon

Friday, November 15, 2024 — 10:00 a.m.
The Hebrew Teacher - Maya Arad

Friday, December 20, 2024 — 10:00 a.m.
All About Me! -Mel Brooks

Friday, January 17, 2025 — 10:00 a.m.
The Mother Act - Heidi Reimer

Friday, February 21, 2025 — 10:00 a.m.
James - Percival Everett

Friday, March, 21, 2025 — 10:00 a.m.
The Women - Kristin Hannah

Friday, April 18, 2025 — 10:00 a.m.
The Berry Pickers - Amanda Peters

Friday, May 16, 2025 — 10:00 a.m.
How to Read a Book - Monica Wood



KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS - CHOICE OF STUDY GROUPS

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PLEASE ENTER YOUR SPECIFIC CHOICE OF STUDY GROUPS

Course: 2 CINEMA CRITIQUE

Day: Friday

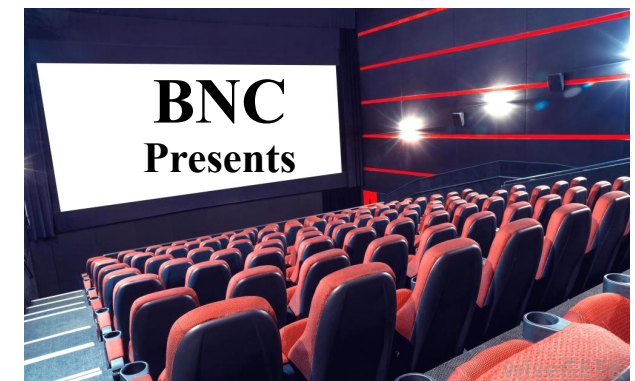
Time: 10:00 AM or *1:00 PM (*Please Note Time Below*)

Venue: South County Civic Center

Leader: Lois Feldman 561-499-3535

The Movie for the month will be announced via email or a phone call in ample time for you to see the film on your own before joining a lively group discussion. All movies will be current and can be viewed at the “Movies of Delray”.

October 25, 2024	1:00 PM	South County Civic Center
November 15, 2024	10:00 AM	South County Civic Center
December 20, 2024	10:00 AM	South County Civic Center
January 17, 2025	10:00 AM	South County Civic Center
February 21, 2025	10:00 AM	South County Civic Center
March 21, 2025	10:00 AM	South County Civic Center
April 18, 2025	10:00 AM	South County Civic Center
May 16, 2025	10:00 AM	South County Civic Center



Course 3 More Movies with Lydia

Dates: January 3, 2025, February 7, 2025, April 4, 2025
Venue: Zoom, Link will be sent one week earlier.

Lydia will pick a new and exciting movie from the vast selection on Netflix. You will be notified at least two weeks in advance by email so that you may view the movie at your leisure and prepare your questions and comments.

SEE YOU ON ZOOM!

Link will be emailed several days prior.



SPECIAL EVENT: Harid Performance, Countess de Hoernle Theater Jog Road, Boca Raton



December 15, 2024 3:00 PM

A holiday tradition: *Divertissements from The Nutcracker, Act II*, along with other ballets and modern and character dances!

May 25, 2025 3:00

Annual Spring Performance

Each year, HARID presents two series of high-quality dance performances. The inclusion of classical and neoclassical ballets, modern and character dance, and cutting-edge contemporary works by leading choreographers makes each HARID program a season favorite of the theater-going public.

\$40.00 Per ticket Your check is your reservation.
Check payable to: BNC
Mail to: Jean Persky 15355 Lakes of Delray Blvd.
Delray Beach, FL. 33484

STUDY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

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another Chapter

Chapter & State _____

Send Registration to:

Elaine Bloom

7152 DeMedici Cir.

Delray Beach, Florida 33446

847-899-0032

Register for Study Groups - \$125.00

Choose all or any Study Groups to attend.

Register for Individual Study Group

\$20.00 each

PLEASE DO NOT SEND CHECKS BEFORE October 20

***MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: BNC and mail to Elaine Bloom**

**** Each member must register with his/her own form and check. 2024/20245 Dues must be paid to participate.**

DO NOT ENCLOSE MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL DUES WITH THIS FORM.

Broward Center for the Performing Arts



February 1, 2025

2:00 PM

Excellent Seats Reserved

\$125.00 Per Person

Checks must be received prior to January 1, 2025

Tickets may be purchased through your
Brandeis Chapter.

Send Check payable to BNC to:

Nan Schwartz

7115 Via Genova

Delray Beach, FL. 33446 (after October 20, 2024)

For information call 203-394-3208

Course 4

View & Review with Nan Schwartz & Ellie Taylor

Day: TBA

Date: TBA

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: Movies of Delray, Oriole Shopping Center

View this new short film followed by discussion.

Brian Russell, filmmaker and producer of poignant short films will be back with us this year with a new film from Red Shoe Productions.

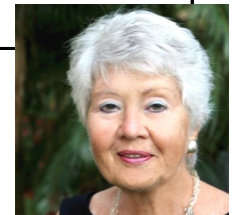
Movies of Delray has graciously offered the theater to us again and we are delighted.

Don't miss this opportunity and please ask your friends to join us that morning.

This Study Group is included in your one time fee. Guests may make a donation to Brandeis if they choose.

Course 5

Leah Polin



Course 6

Short Stories with Marcia Mermelstein

Day: Wednesday

Dates: January 15, 2025, February 12, 2024, March 12, 2024

Time: 10:30 AM

Venue: Home of Elaine Bloom, 7152 DeMedici Cir, Vizcaya

We read, we talk, we learn. The stories in this collection reflect a dazzling variety of contemporary styles in subjects settings, and points of view.

**Book: The BEST SHORT STORIES 2018 edited by Roxane Gay
Session 2 & 3 The Best Short Stories 2019**

Moderated by Marcia Mermelstein, The paperback book is available through Amazon and Alibris used books.

Course 7

Socrates Café - A Stimulating Discussion with Ilene Goby

Day: Monday

Date: January 20, 2025

Time: 10:30 AM

Venue: Nan Schwartz Home, 7115 Via Genova, Villa Borghese
Lake Ida Road

Question: Are you ready for a thought provoking discussion?

Ilene Goby is a member of our Trails of Delray Beach Chapter and a member of the Socrates Café group discussion on Zoom. She will share with us one of her favorite topics from the group and lead us in a discussion.

Topic: To be announced in Trailblazer.

Course 21

Dick Goldman A Rose by Any Other Name Smells as Sweet

Day: Tuesday

Date: March 18, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: South County Civic Center

For many of us, your family names are clues to our ancestor's career, personality, characteristics, and town of origin or religious practices. Learn why, how and when we received our last names and what they can reveal. Discover if your name was changed at Ellis Island or another port, or learn if this is "Fake news".

Dick Goldman is the immediate past Vice President of the 12,000 member international Association of Jewish Genealogy Societies. Dick is the retired General manager of the Jewish Federation's Pearlstone Conference Center in Baltimore. He has taught genealogy and lectured on Jewish topics for numerous organizations.

Course 22

Attorney Robin Caral Shaw Women Justices of the Supreme Court

Day: Tuesday

Date: March 4, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: South County Civic Center

In 1981, Sandra Day O'Connor became the first female Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. There have been five more women appointed as US Supreme Court Justices. Can you name them? Join us to learn about each woman's road to appointment to the Court, their philosophies, and their votes while on the Bench.



Course 19

Arline Peartree

Mark Chagall

Day: Thursday
Date: March 20, 2025
Time: 10:00 AM
Venue: South County Civic Center



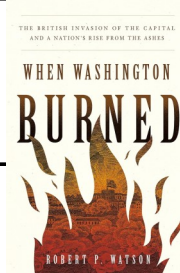
Critics have deemed Chagall as the preeminent Jewish painter of the twentieth century. Most people love Chagall's art which includes painting, sculpture, stained glass etc. Learn about his motifs of Jewish life from his village of Vitebsk. His paintings are sometimes playful, sad, joyous and profound.

Arline Peartree is an artist and sculptor. She is listed in the Smithsonian catalogue of American artists. Arline does not stay with one single medium for her art. Her selection depends on what she envisions is best suited for the piece.

Course 20

Dr. Robert Watson

Day: Wednesday
Date: January 29, 2025
Time: 1:30 PM
Venue: Temple Shaarei Shalom, Hagen Ranch Road, Boynton Beach



Dr. Watson will talk about his latest book "When Washington Burned". As always he will open up the room for comments and questions.

The election will have been decided, so you know for sure the results will be discussed and Dr. Watson will give his take on all that is to come politically.

Join us for an afternoon of Hot Topics!

SPECIAL EVENT

Eats & Ethics with Carol Klausner & Bernice Wornow

Day: Thursday
Date: January 30, 2025, March 13, 2025
Time: 11:30 AM
Venue: Duffy's 1750 S. Federal Hwy. Delray Beach



Fee: \$25 per session.
(Includes lunch) Maximum: 20 persons
Presenters: Bernice Wornow & Carol Klausner

You wanted them and they said "Yes"! Bernice and Carol will return again at lunch with their thought-provoking, interesting, and fun program of Eats and Ethics. Participation required. Join them for a delicious lunch at **DUFFY'S** on Linton and Federal Highway and share your thoughts and your opinions.

Checks mailed to: Jean Persky, 15355 Lakes of Delray Blvd.
Delray Beach, Florida 33484

Course 8

Jewelry and Books Go Together

Like Wine and Cheese



Day: Monday
Date: January 27, 2025
Time: 10:00 AM
Venue: South County Civic Center

Did you know jewelry and books go together like wine and cheese, milk and cookies? Join award-winning author, **Linda Rosen**, for a lively chat about the secrets behind the heirloom jewelry in her novels and bring a piece of your own to show. We'll make up an intriguing story about your grandma's pearls, mom's charm bracelet, Aunt Mildred's earrings, or any other heirloom in your jewelry box. Or, tell your own story of your treasured heirloom.

Course 9

Rod MacDonald - Favorite Songs to Sing

Day: Thursday

Date: January 16, 2025

Time: 1:30 PM

Venue: Temple Shaarei Sholom,
Hagen Ranch Road, Boynton Beach



Rod brings out his guitar and we all sing along. All our old favorite Folk songs and popular songs from our past. You know the words, so join us for a fun and memory provoking hour or so of Music, Music, Music!

Course 10

Rod MacDonald - Greenwich Village Folk Festival

Day: Thursday

Date: February 13, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM

Venue: Temple Shaarei Sholom
Hagen Ranch Road, Boynton
Beach



The Greenwich Village Folk Festival, "A Gift To The Community" founded in 1987 to honor the music and legacy of the Village's music. Founding producers were Rod MacDonald, Ray Micek, Jay Rosen and Gerry Hinson. The GVFF held annual concerts 1987-94, and has returned in 2024 with online monthly concerts, the first Sunday of each month.

Rod will bring us to the Greenwich Village Folk Festival virtually through pictures and songs.

Course 17

Stephanie at the Keys—*"All We Need is Love"*

Day: Tuesday

Date: January 7, 2025

Time: 1:00 pm

Venue: Bella Mar Delray Beach,
14100 Via Flora, Delray Beach.



An Original musical program by Stephanie Klein

Let's visit different aspects of Love through music from stage, screen, the Great American Songbook, and popular songs from our younger days. Tap your feet, sing along, fill your heart and soul with song!

Course 18

Helene Yentis Illuminating Jewish Learning through Art

Day: Tuesday

Date: February 4, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: South County Civic Center

Unique Portraits of the Builders and Leaders of Israel

It is said that a picture is worth a thousand words. Join Art Historian and Jewish Art Expert Helene Yentis in an interactive presentation. The program is both educational and entertaining. We will examine portraits of leading Israelis from all walks of life. This presentation is hip and modern with a serious undertone. A thought provoking discussion with no right or wrong answers. An opportunity to enjoy some great contemporary art and archival photographs.

Helene has an MA in Art History and Judaic Studies from the University of Chicago. She has over 30 years of experience as an Art Historian.

SAVE THE DATE FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2025

THREE SISTERS BOOK & AUTHOR LUNCHEON

*Trails of Delray Beach,
Wellworth and Wycliffe Chapters
Event of the Season!
Three Wonderful Authors
Delectable Lunch
Terrific Vendors
Details in the January/February Trailblazer*

A Day to Remember!!

*Wycliffe Golf & Country Club
Lake Worth Road
Wellington*



Course 11

**"Borscht Belt Comedy" with excerpts from the best of the Catskill Comedians".
Elliott Colchamiro**

Day: Thursday

Date: February 20, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM

Venue: South County Civic Center

You remember, you were there. Put on your mink and your pearls and join Elliott with a trip down memory lane.

In the early 20th century, New York's lower east side had a denser population than Calcutta does today. There were 500 people per



acre, and a widely spreading sense of doom and gloom. As Jews climbed into the middle-class, they escaped the stress of city life to summer in the Catskills. And so began the rich heritage of Borscht Belt Jewish humor in the Catskills.

Course 12

Dan Hudak returns with the Oscars

Day: Thursday

Date: February 27, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: South County Civic Center

Dan Hudak returns this year with his predictions and knowledge about this year's films nominated for an Oscar. The Oscars Award Show is March 2nd, one week following Dan's prediction presentation. Don't miss this Study Group and be part of the who will win discussion.



Course 13

Andy Greenberg:

Why are Jewish People the Happiest People in America?

Day: Tuesday

Date: January 14, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: South County Civic Center

According to surveys, in spite of our kvetching and history that's us! Don't believe it? Find out why and how all this has happened! Is it made up or is it true? What is it exactly that makes people happy that is so Jewish?

We always love Andy and how he adds humor to his great knowledge of everything Jewish.

Course 14

Dr. Margery Marcus Royals in Trouble?

Day: Tuesday

Date: February 25, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: South County Civic Center

Queen Elizabeth was beloved; her son, now King Charles, not nearly as popular. Will Charles be able to overcome anti-monarchy sentiment, or will he preside over the dismantling of the monarchy? Will the FIRM be able to overcome public anxiety over Charles' and Kate's cancer diagnoses? The answer to all these questions and more will be discussed with Dr. Margery Marcus. If you are fascinated by the Royals and who isn't this group is for you.



Course 15

Joyce Saltman Presents:

"Humor as Tikkun Olam: Repairing the World Humor"

Day: Thursday

Date: January 23, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: South County Civic Center



Course 16

Alex Bruner - Semi-Socialist Backwater to High Tech Superpower

Day: Thursday

Date: February 6, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: South County Civic Center

Using his own experience helping Israel start-up companies, Alex Bruner discusses how Israel, with virtually no natural resources other than brainpower, has become one of the world's leading high-tech economies. The lecture concludes with an analysis of the factors that led to Israel's success and an assessment of the country's current position and future prospects.

