

## Presenters' Biographies

### Nigel Allon

Semi-retired optometrist, married, and father of four children who have all been active in Jewish communal affairs. Also retired from activity in Zionism through Glasgow Zionist Organisation and Shalom Achshav.

11.15 A21 To blog or not to blog

### Natasha Beckman

#### Ben Uri Gallery, The London Jewish Museum of Art

Head of Learning and Community for Ben Uri Gallery. Natasha holds an LLB/BA, majoring in Art History, and an MA in cross-cultural representation. She has spent most of her academic life in New Zealand. She worked at Auckland Museum, pioneering the Museum's Public Programmes, focusing on creating links with cultural communities. In 2005 she undertook an internship at the Smithsonian Centre for Folklife and Cultural Heritage in Washington D.C. Her first role on returning to the U.K. was Visual Arts Officer for Arts Council England, East, in Cambridge.

2.45 A31 *Why a Jewish Museum has to be a 'Museum for Everyone'*

### Ronit Ben Dor

#### Embassy of the State of Israel

Ronit is Director of Public Affairs, at the Embassy of Israel in London. She has held a variety of posts within and on behalf of the Government of the State of Israel, and recently served as inter-ministerial Counselor on issues of Palestinian economic development.

10.00 A35 *Negotiating water issues with Israel's Neighbours - an example of realpolitik*

2.45 Ass. Hall *Israel at 60 – Opportunities and Challenges*

### Shira Ben Sasson Furstenberg

#### New Israel Fund

Shira Ben Sasson Furstenberg, is the Religious Pluralism Project coordinator at Shatil, New Israel Fund Centre for promoting Tolerance & Social Justice. Born and raised in a liberal Orthodox family in Jerusalem, Shira was an officer in the IDF and received her BA and MA in cultural anthropology from the Hebrew University. She worked for five years in the Knesset Research and Information Center.

11.15 A39 *An Unorthodox Revolution: The Religious Feminist Movement in Israel and Its Impact*

1.30 A39 *Religious Pluralism in Israeli society: Obstacles, Challenges, Achievements*

### Dan Berelowitz

#### JCC Tribute Troupe

Dan began playing the guitar and singing at the tender age of 14 and hasn't stopped since. He has played in various bands over the years such as Gregory Schechters Youth Klezmer band, Kosher Bacon and his current outfit, Back to the Rhythm, an 8 piece festival funk band. In his spare time he is the Director of Tzedek the Jewish Development charity.

1.30 Lect Th *The Shel Silverstein Session of Silliness*

4.00 Lect Th *The Leonard Cohen Lit Café*

### Janet Berenson-Perkins

#### Leo Baeck College

Janet Berenson-Perkins has been a spiritual explorer since before she was born. She is the author of Kabbalah Decoder and has been a student of meditation and Jewish mysticism for over 20 years. Janet works as Community Educational Development Consultant for the Leo Baeck College in London. She teaches Jewish meditation and kabbalah in Britain, Europe and the USA.

10.00 A19/A22 *Kabbalah for sKeptics*

11.15 A19/A22 *How is Esther Like a Giraffe? A Family session for Purim (8-12s)*

### Ross Bradshaw

#### Five Leaves Publications

Ross Bradshaw runs Five Leaves, a small publishing firm with a growing Jewish list ([www.fiveleaves.co.uk](http://www.fiveleaves.co.uk)). He lives in Nottinghamshire where he also organises a summer book festival, and works part time on literature matters for the County Council. This is his third presentation at Limmud Scotland.

2.45 A33 *Jews and crime*

## Stephanie Brickman

### Yiddish Song Project

Stephanie Brickman began singing as a child and never stopped. After many years performing and composing in the folk tradition she eventually drifted towards jazz before finally taking root in the fabulous medium of Yiddish song, which brought her love of folk music and jazz together with her passion for the Yiddish language. She is singer in the Yiddish Song Project which she formed one year ago with Phil Alexander and Jo Nicholson on Piano / accordion and clarinet (resp). The band released its first CD Zing! last August and is proud to be one of only a handful of bands in Europe composing new music in Yiddish.

2.45 A25 *Yiddish Singing workshop - Nigunim*

## Mekella Broomberg

### JCC Tribute Troupe

Mekella Broomberg is Assistant Director of Jewish Book Week, a storyteller and currently writing a PhD on cultural haunting in contemporary North American women's writing at Goldsmiths College. She enjoys dressing up, doing silly accents, animal noises and sometimes being very quiet and doing things high in the air.

11.15 A25 *Truly Twisted Tales (5-7s)*

1.30 Lect Th *The Shel Silverstein Session of Silliness*

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## Jen Charlton

### JCC Tribute Troupe

Jen is a singer/songwriter described as having 'a voice that could sing a shopping list and make it worthwhile'. She was born in a small town in Ontario, but has been paying her dues in London, consistently playing live and supporting the likes of Oh Susannah, Dar Williams, and Kevin Ayers. Her musical roots are two-fold: classical piano and Anglo-American folk. Her third album 'Wasted' was released in 2006. She is currently recording a new album. Check out [www.jencharlton.com](http://www.jencharlton.com).

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## Naomi Chazan

### New Israel Fund

Professor Naomi Chazan is the chair of Shatil and a member of the board of the New Israel Fund. She served for 11 years as a Member of the Knesset including a period as Deputy Speaker. She is professor emeritus of political science at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and currently heads the School of Society and Government at the Academic College of Tel-Aviv-Yaffo. She is among the founders of the Israel Women's Network, Bat Shalom, and the International Women's Commission for a Just and Sustainable Israeli-Palestinian Peace. She is active in a variety of human rights, civil rights, and peace organizations.

4.00 A19/A22 *Does Israel Need a Constitution? Democracy, Rights, and the Rule of Law*

2.45 Ass. Hall *Israel at 60 – Opportunities and Challenges*

## Valerie Chikly

Valerie Chikly is an Israeli puppeteer who runs her own puppet theatre on Kibbutz Nir Eliyahu and performs her shows there, around Israel and abroad. She is a puppet designer and teaches puppetry at the Israeli Centre for Puppetry Art in Holon.

10.00 Lect Th *Why Noah chose the Dove: puppet show and puppet making.*

## Joel Conn

Joel is a solicitor in private practice in Glasgow, specialising in commercial litigation. He has a long association with Jewish and communal work in Glasgow of which he is glad to be taking an almost complete break at present. He is an organiser of the Jewish Film Club and the Glasgow Jewish Representative Council's nominee to the Ethnic Minorities Law Centre, of which he has been a director for a number of years. He is newly married and expecting his umpteenth question about when he and his wife are starting a family.

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## Simon Davidovich

### Sugihara Museum, Kaunas

Simon is curator of the Sugihara Museum in Kaunas, Lithuania. He is also executive director of the 'Sugihara, Diplomats for Life' Foundation. He has given assistance to the US Holocaust Museum and the Steven Spielberg Visual History Foundation and been a consultant on a number of documentary films. He has also acted as tour guide for people (some of them Scots!) seeking their Lithuanian roots.

- 11.15 A29 *Lithuanian Jewry, past and present*  
 1.30 & 2.45 A29 *Double session:  
 Chiune Sugihara (1900 to 1986),  
 Japanese diplomat who saved  
 many Jews in WW2  
 followed by  
 SUGIHARA: conspiracy of kindness  
 - a film*

## Fergal F Davis

### School of Law, University of Sheffield

Fergal Davis was born in Cork, Ireland and lived there until he was 22. He is a law lecturer at the University of Sheffield and has a particular interest in legal history and legal philosophy. As a result he is perpetually fascinated by issues of religion, morality, law, history and culture. He lives with his wife and daughter in Manchester, England.

- 11.15 Ass. Hall *Any Questions: Bagels or the Bible? Is Judaism a Culture with a Religion or a Religion with a Culture?*

## Marge Eiseman

### Jewish Waves

Marge Eiseman is a singer, songwriter, mother, teacher, radio show host, creative programmer and spiritual guide. She travels around the United States (and now the UK!) leading experiential programs that make people glad to be Jewish. Armed with a Masters Degree in Jewish Education, Marge is a peddler of Jewish ideas, music and programmes. She also co-chairs the CAJE (Coalition for the Advancement of Jewish Education) Music Network, and was Milwaukee's Jewish Educator of the Year 5765. Her CDs, "We Are All Connected: Songs to Lift the Spirit" and "Enduring One" feature original music in a wide range of styles."

- 10.00 A25 *We Are All Connected: Songs to Lift the Spirit*  
 1.30 A25 *Rosh Chodesh: Gateway to Every Woman's Soul*  
 4.00 A25 *Writing Your Soul's Song*

## Judith Elkan

### Friends of the Bereaved Families Forum (UK)

Judith Elkan is a child and adult psychotherapist. Born in Jerusalem, she lives and works in London. She teaches in several psychotherapy training institutes in London as well as Israel and the West Bank, where she has held courses and workshops on child mental health and trauma. She has worked with Kindertransport groups in the UK. She has lectured and written papers on Biblical text and psychoanalysis. She is active in striving for Israeli-Palestinian reconciliation and is co-chair of the Friends of the Bereaved Families Forum (UK).

- 1.30 A33 *Conflict and Reconciliation - Israeli and Palestinian bereaved families working for peace.*

## Nicholas J. Evans

### University of Hull

Nicholas is a Lecturer in Slavery Studies at the Wilberforce Institute for the study of Slavery and Emancipation (WISE) and the History Department at the University of Hull. He has previously worked on numerous projects examining migration to, through and from Britain, 1830-1960 at the universities of Leicester, Hull, Aberdeen and Cape Town, and is currently editing a series of papers that examine Jewish history, heritage and culture in Scotland, 1879-2004 and writing a monograph on European transmigration via Britain, 1836-1914. His research interests to date have focussed on voluntary and coerced migrations within and from Europe in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

- 10.00 A31 *Combating Jewish white slavery in Scotland, 1885-1924*

## Yair Furstenberg

### Talmud Department Hebrew University & Shalom Hartman Institute

Yair Furstenberg is currently completing his doctorate in Talmud at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem on the subject of purity in late antiquity Judaism within its cultural and historical contexts. Yair's research fields include the different aspects of Talmudic culture and its contact with the Greco-Roman world. He is a graduate of the departments of Talmud and Classics in the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and currently teaches Talmud at several institutes, including Shalom Hartman Institute, The Hebrew University and the Pelech High School for Girls in Jerusalem.

- 2.45 A35 *Purity and Body in Early Jewish-Christian Discourse*

## Ezra Golombok

### Israel Information Office

Director of the Israel Information Office in Scotland. Previously editor of the Jewish Echo for over 40 years. Earlier manifestation as researcher and lecturer in organic chemistry.

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## Nahum Gordon

Nahum Gordon has presented sessions at Limmud in Scotland, Nottingham, Newcastle, Leeds and Brighton. Over the last 40 years he has taught in shuls for the United Synagogue, Reform, Liberal and Masorti movements. He is very interested in the whole span of Jewish history, the origins and meaning of our festivals, and the underlying messages of Biblical texts, particularly the political undercurrents.

1.30 A35 *The Akedah - An argument for the sake of Heaven*

4.00 A35 *Purim - The Alternative Version*

## Shosh Greenberg

Shosh was born in Rehovot in Israel, but later moved to Dimona in the Negev. She went to high school there before joining the army, where she worked as a Hebrew teacher. After marrying, Shosh moved to Scotland where she now lives. She has been working at Calderwood Lodge Primary School as a Hebrew teacher since 1985. She runs Israeli dance workshops both at school and for adults.

4.00 A31 *Strictly Israeli Dancing*

## Dalia Halabi

### New Israel Fund

At present I work as a program coordinator: Conflict Transformation Center- at Shatil: Empowerment Training Center for Social Change Organizations in Israel. For the last ten years I have been involved in actions and activities that promote peace building and dialogue between Palestinians and Israelis. I have facilitated dialogue groups amongst teenagers, educators, social activists and women. Involved in an innovative project in the city of Haifa that aims to develop a model of shared living in divided societies, which can be replicated nationally and internationally. I am a member of WPP- Women's Peace Makers Programs and hold an MA degree from Tel Aviv University in Conflict Management and Mediation.

11.15 A31 *Can non-Jewish citizens have rights in a Jewish State?*

2.45 A33 *Challenges and opportunities of Arab-Jewish relationships post 2nd Lebanon War*

## Daniel Hart

### JCC Tribute Troupe

Daniel is a singer and actor. He graduated from Drama Centre London, with a BBC Radio Carleton Hobbs Award. This led to readings for BBC4's Poetry Please and other leading roles in radio drama. He has received excellent reviews on stage, with screen credits across the BBC, ITV and Channel 4 networks. As a lyricist, he has been praised as 'exceptional' by BBC Radio 2's Charlie Gillet. His 'Double Life' E.P. will be released on 'CD Baby' (cdbaby.com) in July. You can hear songs at [www.danielhart.us](http://www.danielhart.us)

1.30 Lect Th *The Shel Silverstein Session of Silliness*

4.00 Lect Th *The Leonard Cohen Lit Café*

## Gil Hovav

Gil Hovav, one of Israel's leading culinary journalists and a television personality, has played a major role in the revival of Israeli cuisine and changing Israel into a "gourmet nation". Gil began his career as a restaurant critic, moved on to become an editor on Israel's leading newspaper, and was involved in the creation, as producer and presenter, of some of Israel's most loved television cooking and food shows. Gil has published three best-selling novels, all related, to his family's colorful history, exposing a Jerusalem of his childhood that no longer exists. Gil lives with his partner, whom he met during their army service, and their four year old daughter, Neomi.

11.15 B34 *Poor Man's Food - Simply The Best*

1.30 B24/B27 *Wartime Cooking in Jerusalem*

## Israel Panel

The Israel panel consists of:

Joel Conn (Chair), Ronit Ben-Dor, Naomi Chazan, Ezra Golombok, Clive Lawton and Barry Marcus

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## JCC Tribute Troupe

### Jewish Community Centre for London

The JCC Tribute Troupe is a collective of up and coming Jewish talent including actors, musicians, storytellers and writers brought together by the Jewish Community Centre for London. Their performances have gone down a storm at the JCC Lit Café over the past year and they are planning many more performances in the future. The JCC Tribute troupe consists of Dan Berelowitz, Jen Charlton, Mekella Broomberg, and Daniel Hart

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### Oron Joffe

Oron Joffe was born and raised in Israel. He studied Ancient Semitic Languages and Old Testament at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He now lives in Edinburgh.

2.45 A21 *Hebrew and Aramaic: A Friendly Embrace*

### Judaism Panel

The Judaism panel consists of Beverley Lyons (Chair), Fergal Davis, David Rose, Dvora Sznadger and Henry Tankel

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### Harvey L Kaplan

#### Scottish Jewish Archives Centre

Harvey L Kaplan graduated MA in History at the University of Glasgow. He is currently a civil servant and is Director of the Scottish Jewish Archives Centre.

Harvey was co-editor of "A Scottish Shtetl: Jewish Life in the Gorbals, 1881-1974" (1984) and contributed "Scottish Jewry: Sources and Resources" to "Aspects of Scottish Jewry" (edited by Dr K Collins, 1987). He also contributed a chapter on Scotland to the "Avotaynu Guide to Jewish Genealogy" (2004). His booklet: 'The Gorbals Jewish Community in 1901' was published in 2006 by the Scottish Jewish Archives Centre.

4.00 A29 *A Scottish Shtetl? - The Jews of the Gorbals a Hundred Years Ago*

### Clive Lawton

#### Limmud

Voted no 18 in the JC's Power 100 and a recipient of the Max Fisher Prize in Jerusalem for Jewish education in the diaspora, Clive was one of the 'gang of four' who founded Limmud. He is now its Senior Consultant, concentrating mainly on helping Limmud expand around the UK and the world

10.00 B24/B27 *Bizarre Bible - the strange tale of Esther*

12.20 A19/A22 *Melton taster*

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4.00 B24/B27 *The Great Tzedaka Debate*

### Diana Lipton

Diana Lipton's chequered career includes an English degree at Oxford, investment banking, full-time motherhood, and a Cambridge PhD on dreams in Genesis. In 2007, she left Newnham College, Cambridge for a Lectureship in Hebrew Bible and Jewish Studies at King's College London. Her approach to the Bible reflects her background in Literature, a passion for rabbinic texts, a practical education 'on the Bima' in the Jewish community, and insights gleaned from the many students she has been privileged to teach. Her most recent book is 'Longing for Egypt and Other Unexpected Biblical Tales' (Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2008).

4.00 A33 *What was behind God's back? A radical re-reading of Moses' visit to Rabbi Akiba's Torah Academy*

### Beverley Lyons

#### Daily Record

Beverley Lyons is a Scottish showbiz journalist and broadcaster. She was born in Glasgow, daughter of Radio producer Ben Lyons, and promoter Louise (née Rosenthal). Beverley writes two pages daily of showbiz called "The Razz" in the Scottish Daily Record newspaper. She hosts a weekly radio show 'Showbiz Sunday' on Your Radio FM. She has also worked with Radio Scotland, Radio Clyde, and Beat 106 (now XFM). Following a stand up comedy stint that saw her perform in Glasgow and Edinburgh, Beverley became a weekly host on BBC's 'Famous For Five Minutes' alongside comedians Craig Hill and Frankie Boyle. She has presented on television for STV, ITV, Channel 4 and BBC 3 and has recently acted in Scots children's short film 'Screwbelly'.

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### Barry Marcus

#### Central Synagogue

Born in South Africa, Barry served as Rabbi both there and in Israel before becoming Rabbi of Central Synagogue in Great Portland Street, London. He is involved in Holocaust Education, pioneering the one-day trips to Auschwitz. Barry is a Trustee of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust as well as of Yad Vashem UK.

4.00 A34 *Shoah: Forgive or Forget?*

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## Nancy Morris

### Glasgow Reform Synagogue

Nancy has been the rabbi of Glasgow Reform Synagogue for the last 4 years. She was born and raised in Montreal, Canada. After earning a masters degree in modern Jewish history, she undertook law and had a brief career as a lawyer. She only found her true path to spiritual fulfillment after embarking upon rabbinic studies at Leo Baeck College in 1997. Ordained in 2002 in London, she briefly served a small community outside of Toronto before arriving in Glasgow. Nancy enjoys kiddush wine, preferring Manishevitz to Palwin, and perhaps an occasional tippale.

11.15 A34 *L'Chaim: Is Drinking on Purim Healthy for Jews?*

## Hillel Neuer

### UN Watch

Hillel Neuer is Executive Director of UN Watch in Geneva. He contributes regularly on law, politics and international human rights for the International Herald Tribune, the Boston Globe, The New Republic Online and other publications. Neuer is often quoted by major media such as the New York Times and has appeared on CNN, BBC, Fox News, and Al Jazeera. He speaks frequently at the UN Human Rights Council and recently testified as an expert witness before the U.S. Congress."

1.30 A31 *Israel at the UN: A Nation That Dwells Alone?*

## Michele Neville

Michele Neville has taught both in the State and Private sector in England and Scotland for seventeen years. She has worked in multi-cultural schools in London and Birmingham and currently teaches in Edinburgh. She was educated at Jewish Free School, London and Somerville College, Oxford.

10.00 A24 *Religion and the workplace*

## David Ian Neville

David Ian Neville works as a Drama Producer, developing and producing plays and series for BBC Radio 4 and Radio 3. For BBC Wales he produced the drama serial, Station Road, and was a producer on Radio 4's, The Archers. Recent productions for radio include: Black Watch, Dover Beats The Band, Island Blue & Juba FM. He has also written for radio, TV and theatre. Writing credits include, Inside for BBC Radio 4, and the award winning TV plays, Martha & The Audition for STV. Theatre plays include the Fringe First Award winning play Exile, Across The Barricades, Refuseniks, A Deafening Silence & Leaving Berehovo.

11.15 A24 *Shared Memories ~ writing workshop*

## David Rose

### Edinburgh Hebrew Congregation

David Rose was born in New Zealand where he obtained a BA in Political Science and History and was the National Head of Bnei Akiva. In Israel, where he lived for 10 years, David obtained Rabbinical Ordination from the Chief Rabbinate before moving to Sweden where he helped set up an educational project. David served as the Rabbi of Richmond, Surrey, for 4 years and is currently the Rabbi of Edinburgh. He has an MA (distinction) in Jewish Studies from UCL and last year was a guest of the US government as part of the International Visitors Program run by the State Department.

1.30 A34 *Don't light up, please, we're Jewish - the smoking ban & Halachah*

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## Richard Simon

### Magen David Adom UK

After 40 years in retail operations, Richard joined Magen David Adom in 2004 as UK Regional Director with a brief to raise the profile of Magen David Adom in the regions. His area stretches from Nottingham and Birmingham up to Glasgow & Edinburgh. Last summer, he spent time visiting the MDA stations in Sderot & Kiryat Shmona which, in the past, had operated under intense pressure.

10.00 A29 *Magen David Adom - Saving More Lives !*

### Claire Anne Singerman

Claire Singerman is currently a senior teacher of History in Hutchesons' Grammar School. She runs the Jewish Assemblies there and gives regular talks about Judaism. At present she is chair of the Scottish Association of Jewish Teachers. She is married to Howard, who is a lawyer, and they have three children. She enjoys learning as well as teaching and has interests ranging from educational computing to fiction for young adults.!

10.00 A21 *A Consideration of some Holocaust literature*

### Mark Solomon

#### Liberal Jewish Synagogue

Mark Solomon is Rabbi at the Liberal Jewish Synagogue in St John's Wood, London, and foster-rabbi of Sukkat Shalom, the Edinburgh Liberal Jewish Community. He was born in Australia and ordained at Jews' College, London in 1991 before coming out and joining the Liberal movement. He is a cantor, lecturer in Talmud at Leo Baeck College, and has a special interest in interfaith dialogue, currently serving as Co-Chairman of the London Society of Jews and Christians.

2.45 A34 *Not Called Your Son But Her Son*

### Paul Spicker

Paul Spicker is a member of Dundee Hebrew congregation and Secretary of the Scottish Council for Jewish Communities. As a professor of public policy he writes and researches extensively on social welfare issues.

1.30 A24 *Jewish social teaching*

### Dvora Sznajder

Dvora was born to the turmoil of the creation of the State of Israel. She lived in Israel until in 1988, when she moved to Scotland with her late husband, and has been here ever since. She is the distributor for high-end designer jewellery from Israel. Dvora believes that Israel is the best thing since sliced bread!

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### Henry I Tankel

A retired consultant surgeon with a long interest in Jewish communal affairs and in interfaith relations. A former president of the Glasgow Jewish Representative Council, and a member of the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

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### Heather Valencia

Heather Valencia is an Honorary research Fellow at the University of Stirling. She has been teaching Yiddish language and researching modern Yiddish literature for many years and has written the introduction to a recently published bilingual edition of A.N.Stencel's poetry.

4.00 A39 *Avrom Nokhem Stencel: a Yiddish poet in Berlin and London*

### Sigal Yaniv Feller

#### New Israel Fund

Sigal Yaniv Feller has been Director of the Green Environment Fund (GEF), the leading environmental foundation in Israel, since its establishment in 2001. Sigal graduated from an environmental high school in Sde Boker, and then in the army was an SPNI Nature and Environment Educator for civilian and military groups. Sigal received her Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Environmental Science, from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. She ran Young Judaea's Year Course, and the Sharsheret" Student Leadership Program for 9 years. In 2006 Sigal was chosen as one of the 10 most influential people on the environment in Israel's "The Marker" magazine.

10.00 A33 *People Like You and Me Changing Israel's Environment*

4.00 A24 *How Green is the Land of Milk and Honey?*

### Tamar Yellin

Tamar Yellin is an award-winning writer whose debut novel, 'The Genizah at the House of Shepherd' received the international Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature, the Ribalow Prize and was shortlisted for the Wingate Prize. She studied Hebrew and Arabic at Oxford and works as an interfaith visitor in schools across Yorkshire.

10.00 A39 *The Writer in the Attic: Tamar Yellin and 'The Genizah at the House of Shepherd.'*