Kaplan, Creativity, and the Arts

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with Rabbi Adina Allen, Joanne Fink, Elizheva Hurvich, and Rabbi Margie Jacobs

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"Every creative act... adds to the meaning of life and is a revelation of the Divine."

-Kaplan Diary, 1940

How is Judaism evolving in relationship to the visual arts? Join a panel of artists, educators, and innovators to explore the role of art, artmaking, and creativity in our religious, communal and spiritual lives.



Rabbi Adina Allen is co-founder and Creative Director of Jewish Studio Project (JSP), a nationally recognized Jewish learning organization that cultivates creativity as a Jewish practice for spiritual connection and social transformation. A recipient of the Covenant Foundation's 2018 Pomegranate Prize for emerging Jewish Educators, Adina has brought JSP's unique methodology to clergy, educators and lay leaders in Jewish communal institutions across the country. Adina's writing is widely published and her chapter "What Else Can This Be?: Creativity as an Iterative Practice" is a part of the forthcoming anthology *Creative Provocations* (Springer Press, 2023). Adina was ordained by Hebrew College in 2014 where she was a Wexner Graduate Fellow.



Zenspirations® founder **Joanne Fink** is an artist, liturgist, teacher, inspirational speaker and best-selling author with more than one million books in print. She started her career designing greeting cards and Ketubot and in 1991 helped found the American Guild of Judaic Art. Joanne's current passion project is building Jewish community through art, and sharing the collection of 54 "Torah Illuminations and Prayers' inspired by the weekly parashiyot (Torah portions).



Elizheva Hurvich is a Jewish educator, artist, ritual service leader and Rabbinical Student.. Weaving her Renewal and Conservative roots with her love of Reconstructing Judaism and imagination, Elizheva loves to teach the heart of the matter, bringing meaning and content and connection to students of all ages. Specializing in personalized talitot (prayer shawls), huppot (wedding canopies), and group projects, her art has been included in the National Museum of American Jewish History and the galleries of HUC, as well as many venues in San Francisco.



Rabbi Margie Jacobs (RRC 2000) has served as a congregational rabbi, regional director of the Institute for Jewish Spirituality, Hillel director, and teacher of mindfulness meditation. She is a facilitator of the Jewish Studio Process, a mindful art practice that she leads virtually and in person across the country for synagogues, Hillels, retreats, conferences, special events, and clergy. Margie has been designing websites since 2010 and also creates Jewish Canva Templates as part of the Discover Jewish Art project.

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