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HaMaqom | The Place Presents Lehrhaus Legacy Lecture

November 10, 2020 - Berkeley, CA - HaMaqom | The Place is thrilled to invite you to join us virtually and celebrate 100 years since the founding of the Frankfurt Lehrhaus - light and learn with us on the 6th night of Hanukkah. Please join us on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 7:00 PM PT. The event is FREE. RSVP is required - Detailed joining instructions will be emailed to you prior to the event. (hmqm.org/legacy)

Lehrhaus (est. 1920): A Revolution in Jewish Life and Learning:

During the Weimar Republic and the early years of Nazism, many of the greatest modern interpreters of Judaism taught at the Free Jewish Lehrhaus, the famed school for adult Jewish learning in Frankfurt, founded by the young philosopher Franz Rosenzweig. The emphasis was always on the students and their interchange with the teachers and with each other, and often the students became instructors themselves. The transformative experience of dialogue was central to the German-Jewish revival between the wars and has been an inspiration for American Jewish educators over the past two generations.

Featuring:

Fred Rosenbaum

Founding Executive Director of Lehrhaus Judaica and modern Jewish historian

Fred Rosenbaum, is an award-winning European Jewish historian. He was a Fulbright Fellow at Goettingen University in Germany, where he discovered Franz Rosenzweig's classic *On Jewish Learning*. In 1974, he founded Lehrhaus Judaica (currently HaMaqom), seeking to provide the Bay Area with a similar pathway to Jewish knowledge and engagement.

Rabbi Darren Kleinberg, Ph.D.

CEO, HaMaqom I The Place

Rabbi Darren Kleinberg, CEO, joined the HaMaqom I The Place team in July 2020. Darren was born and raised in London, England, has lived in Israel and Canada, and has now lived and worked in the Bay Area since 2013. He is an ordained rabbi (YCT), holds a PhD in Religious Studies (ASU), and is the author of *Hybrid Judaism: Irving Greenberg, Encounter, and the Changing Nature of American Jewish Identity* (Academic Studies Press, 2016). Darren has been pioneering Jewish educational experiences for 25 years, emphasizing the importance of making Jewish wisdom accessible to all.

RSVP & Sponsorship opportunities information for the Lehrhaus Legacy Lecture is available at hmqm.org/legacy. All are welcome!

About HaMaqom I The Place

HaMaqom creates inclusive communities through Jewish learning and practice.

HaMaqom I The Place has deep roots in the Bay Area. We have been the leading provider of transformative adult Jewish learning experiences since 1974. We offer courses and programs from leading Bay Area Jewish educators and take seriously our responsibility to serve the most diverse Jewish community in the world. We welcome all who wish to learn with us and do not discriminate on the basis of religion, gender, sexual identity, or national or ethnic origin.