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## NEWS & VIEWS

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# Hebrew College HIGH HOLIDAY Companion

### Purchase a copy for yourself, friends, or your shul

For the last several weeks, we have been sharing selections from our new *Hebrew College High Holiday Companion*. We are pleased to announce that we are now accepting orders for copies of the Companion with options for individual copies or bulk orders.

This collection emerged out of a unique collaboration among faculty, staff, students, and alumni of Hebrew College. We are blessed to be part of a vibrant, pluralistic learning community. Our community is forged through sustained study, conversation, and personal reflection around the tables of our classrooms and beit midrash. It is fostered in dynamic adult and youth learning programs throughout the Greater Boston area. It extends further to people around the country and around the world who participate in our online learning initiatives. And, in some small way, we hope that it will now include you—as you read and contemplate the offerings in this companion for the High Holiday season.



We hope that the voices of our teachers, students, and alumni come alive in the pages of this book. We hope that something you read in it helps you enter the words of the liturgy in a new way this year; awakens an insight into the scriptural readings for the season; sparks a

conversation with someone you love; or simply touches you and takes you by surprise. In short, we hope that it is useful to you in your own process of *teshuvah*—that paradoxical process of return, in which we have to enter territory that is uncharted and unknown in order to find our way home.

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## Fall Course Registration Open



Registration is now open for our fall semester courses, with some exciting new course offerings and new tuition options. The following courses, taken as non-credit (also known as "auditing"), are available for a community tuition rate of \$500, plus a \$55 registration fee:

### [SHOOLMAN GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION](#) and [JEWISH STUDIES](#)

- Inner Life and Social Justice Activism, with Rabbi David Jaffe
- Biblical, Rabbinic and Contemporary Perspectives on Intermarriage and Conversion, with Rabbi Ilan Fuchs
- Hebrew in Jewish Education, with Dr. Shiri Katz-Gershon

### [SCHOOL OF JEWISH MUSIC](#)

- How to Chant Torah, with Cantor Neil Schwartz

### [HEBREW LANGUAGE](#)

Both Hebrew Language and Culture and Modern Hebrew Online are offering newly discounted tuition costs for non-credit students.

- [Ulpan](#), an on-campus language immersion program.
- [Hebrew Language and Culture](#)
- [Modern Hebrew Online](#)

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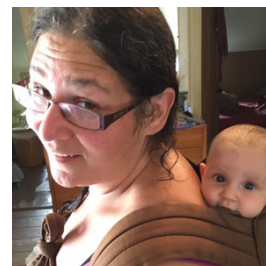
# From the Hebrew College Blog ([blog.hebrewcollege.edu](http://blog.hebrewcollege.edu))

## SEVENTY FACES OF TORAH

Posts from this Hebrew College-hosted blog are published weekly in [HuffPost Religion](#) and [Patheos](#).

# "If You See Something, Sing Something" Parashat Shoftim, Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9

By Rabbi Minna Bromberg, Rab` 10  
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“What are you writing about?” my mother asks. And I grumble at her because I’m sure that talking about it will only reveal how thoroughly undeveloped my thinking really is. But then I remember that – even though I am sitting in her house and using her computer – I am, in fact, a grown up and she is, in fact, someone who is often helpful and insightful. And so I tell her that I want to write about this verse that has long fascinated me: “When you go into battle... you shall not be afraid” (Deuteronomy 20:1). Something about it rings a bell with me, but I can’t quite figure out what.

“For one thing,” I continue, “is it a commandment (thou shalt not be afraid) or a promise (you won’t be afraid)? And either way, how is that supposed to work?” My mother nods. “Anyway, this time, when I read the verse I see that I wasn’t remembering the whole thing. It actually starts, ‘When you go out to battle against your enemies and see horse and chariot,’ or in Hebrew ‘sus v’rechev....’

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