

MACHON IVRIT מכון עברית

Learn to Speak and Read Modern Hebrew!

Registration Form

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Cost is \$720 for one year of Machon Ivrit.

- Enclosed is my payment by check, made to Neveh Shalom, memo line: Machon Ivrit.
- I will call in my credit card information to Neveh Shalom, 503.246.8831
- Please send me a financial aid form or information about how I can pay in two installments.
- I teach Jewish children at (school): _____ and would like to receive a 50% subsidy for my first year of Machon Ivrit. Enclosed is \$360 for this year.

The following information is requested in order to help us know more about our students.

1) I am interested in taking Machon Ivrit because (check all that apply):

- I have children learning Hebrew.
- I want to be able to read/understand the siddur and other texts at my synagogue.
- I would like to be able to speak Hebrew in Israel.
- I teach Jewish children.
- Other: _____

2) My religious affiliation

- I am Jewish I am not Jewish
- I am a member at the following synagogue/s or church: _____
- I am not currently affiliated with a synagogue or church
- Other important information about my religious affiliation: _____

3) My age

- 18-30 31-45 46-60 61+

Please return to:

Mel Berwin, Congregation Neveh Shalom, 2900 SW Peaceful Lane, Portland OR 97239

For further information, contact Mel Berwin: 503.246.8831 or michaelvmel@gmail.com

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Registration Information/FAQ

What is Machon Ivrit?

Machon Ivrit is an exciting new program for adults to learn Modern Hebrew. Professionally taught and open to the entire community, Machon Ivrit offers two years (beginning and intermediate levels) of fun and effective learning to gain Hebrew speaking, reading and writing skills.

When is Machon Ivrit?

Machon Ivrit will run on Monday nights 7:00-9:15 throughout the academic year, except on national or Jewish holidays. Our 30 week session will begin October 3, 2011 and end June 4, 2012, and will meet at Congregation Neveh Shalom, 2900 SW Peaceful Lane, Portland 97239.

What if I don't know the Hebrew alphabet yet, or have forgotten some of it?

In September we will provide a special 3-week **Intro Session**, free for registered students who are not yet familiar with the Hebrew alphabet or who would like to review.

How do I know which class I will be in?

Upon registration, we will send you a brief proficiency test to determine your qualification for one of our two levels of classes (beginning or intermediate). Of course there will still be a range of levels within each class. Machon Ivrit is a fast-moving and fun course; even if students are placed in a class in which they know some of the beginning material, we expect that every class will be stimulating for students!

Will we use a textbook, and will there be homework?

We will use the Brandeis Modern Hebrew textbook for both levels of the course, as well as any supplementary materials the teachers would like to provide. Each student is provided the textbook and an accompanying CD-ROM as part of the cost of the course. In order for language learning to be most effective, review during the week is suggested, as well as a small amount of homework to practice skills acquired during classes.

What if I need to miss one or more classes?

We will record each class and post the audio files as MP3s on our website for students to review or catch up.

How much does Machon Ivrit cost?

Machon Ivrit costs \$720 per person for one year. Financial aid is available (check the "Please send me a financial aid form" on the registration sheet). This year, thanks to an Ignition Grant from the Covenant Foundation, we are able to offer an **automatic 50% subsidy to anyone currently teaching Jewish students in a recognized Jewish school** at least 3 hours per week.

When should I register?

Now! Machon Ivrit will register on a first-come, first-served basis.

Who do I contact if I have further questions?

For more information please contact Mel Berwin, michaelvmel@gmail.com or 503-246-8831.

Who is behind this exciting program?

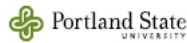
Machon Ivrit is co-sponsored by several Portland-area Jewish organizations dedicated to excellent Jewish learning opportunities for the whole community.



Congregation Neveh Shalom has been running unique Hebrew immersion programs for children across the community ages 0-8 (Kochavim & Notz'tzim) and adults (Café V'Ivrit monthly programming for speakers & advanced learners of Hebrew). We are excited to bring Machon Ivrit into our family of programs, which are now being run under the umbrella of HaMerkaz: Portland Center for Hebrew Immersion.



Portland Kollel. Reaching across all communities, the Portland Kollel offers classes, social programs, and a door to Jewish experience in a warm, non-judgmental environment.



The Harold Schnitzer Family Program in Judaic Studies at Portland State contributes to the intellectual dynamism of this metropolitan campus through interdisciplinary courses and research. We engage students of all backgrounds through a rich and flexible curriculum and our Minor degree program. And we serve the greater Portland area through a range of community partnerships.

MORASHA: The Jewish Community Education Alliance is a pluralistic, non-profit community alliance that promotes adult Jewish education, through its Florence Melton Adult Mini-School, the Machar young adult leadership program, and in coordination with other community organizations. Morasha provides meaningful opportunities for Jewish learning, strengthens Jewish identity and inspires engagement in Jewish communal life.



Institute for Judaic Studies of the Pacific Northwest is a nonprofit organization that encourages you to join together with people from throughout the community in learning about Jewish history, culture, and life.



Covenant Foundation, celebrating excellence and innovation in Jewish education.

The Covenant Foundation recognizes the diversity of strengths within the field of Jewish education in North America, across all denominations and settings. By honoring outstanding Jewish educators and supporting creative approaches to programming, the Foundation works to strengthen educational endeavors that perpetuate the identity, continuity and heritage of the Jewish people.