

International Conference
***Urban Jewish Cemeteries in Central–Eastern Europe
between Early Modern
and the Present Times: Research and Valuation***

**1 Decembrie 1918 University of Alba Iulia,
Department of History, Archaeology and Heritage,
The National Museum of Union Alba Iulia
and Alba Iulia Jewish Community**

Alba Iulia, Romania, October 13-15, 2024

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Program

Opening Event:

October 13, 2024, 15.30 - 17.00

Old Synagogue of Alba Iulia

Tudor Vladimirescu Str., no. 2

EVENTS OF THE CONFERENCE

Exhibition

Lost Histories: The Memory of the Oldest Jewish Cemetery from Bucharest

Curator: Anca Tudorancea (University of Bucharest / Center for the Study of the History of Jews in Romania Wilhelm Filderman, FEDROM). Graphics: Irina Weiner Spirescu (Ministry of Culture).

Opening: Sunday, October 13, at 15.45

Book Presentation

Histories Written in Stone: Research, Conservation and Restoration at the Jewish Cemetery of Alba Iulia

Sunday, October 13, at 16.15

Visit

Tour of the Alba Iulia Cemetery

Sunday, October 13, at 17.45

GENERAL PROGRAM

Registration

Sunday, October 13, between 15.00 and 17.00

Old Synagogue of Alba Iulia

Alba Iulia, Tudor Vladimirescu Str., no. 2

Monday, October 14, between 8.00 and 9.00

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Alba Iulia, Gabriel Bethlen Str., no. 5

Sunday, October 13

Old Synagogue of Alba Iulia

Join Zoom Meeting

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15.30-15.45

Opening ceremony, inaugural addresses

15.45-16.15

The exhibition *Lost Histories: The Memory of the Oldest Jewish Cemetery from Bucharest*

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16.15-16.30

Book presentation

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Editors: Sidonia-Petronela Olea, Daniel Dumitran

Contributors: Lucian-Zeev Herșcovici, Claudiu Stoian, and Călin Șuteu

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16.30-17.00

Old Jewish Songs. Musical moment organized

by Prof. Ioan Chiciudean, Regina Maria High School of Arts, Alba Iulia.

Mezzo-soprano: Daniela Mailat; Tenor: Nicolae Bogdan Velicea;
Soprano: Ariana Gabriela Făt; Tenor: Prof. dr. Ioan Chiciudean;
Piano: Prof. Ruben Morar.

17.00-17.45

Cocktail

Old Synagogue of Alba Iulia

17.45-19.00

The tour of the Alba Iulia Jewish Cemetery

Alba Iulia, Vasile Alecsandri Str.

Monday, October 14

1 Decembrie 1918 University of Alba Iulia

Alba Iulia, Gabriel Bethlen Str., no. 5

Join Zoom Meeting

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9.00 – 13.10

Keynote lecture and papers presentations

13.10-14.50

Lunch

Carolina Heritage Restaurant

Alba Iulia, Unirii Str., no. 11

14.50-19.20

Papers presentation, keynote lecture and discussion

19.30-21.00

Dinner

Carolina Heritage Restaurant

Tuesday, October 15

1 Decembrie 1918 University of Alba Iulia

Alba Iulia, Gabriel Bethlen Str., no. 5

Join Zoom Meeting

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19.30-21.00

Dinner

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DETAILED PROGRAM

Monday, October 14

1 Decembrie 1918 University of Alba Iulia, Senate Hall
Alba Iulia, str. Gabriel Bethlen, nr. 5

9.00-9.30 Keynote lecture

Rudolf Klein (Óbuda University, Miklós Ybl Faculty of Architecture
and Civil Engineering, Budapest)
*Some Large Jewish Cemeteries in Europe – Typologies, Genealogies
and Context*

9.30-9.50 Break

General Overviews: Trends of Spatial, Historical and Artistic Evolution in the Jewish Cemeteries

Chair: Rudolf Klein

9.50-10.20 Anna Michałowska-Mycielska (University of Warsaw)
*Space of Jewish Cemeteries in the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth
(16th-18th C.)*

10.20-10.50 Lucian-Zeev Herşcovici (National Library of Israel,
Jerusalem, Retired)
*Old Jewish Cemeteries Preserved and Vanished in the Extra-Carpathic
Region of Romania: General Considerations* (online presentation)

10.50-11.20 Jaroslav Klenovsky (The Jewish Community of Praha-
Brno)
Jewish Urban Cemeteries in the Czech Republic

11.20-11.40 Break

11.40-12.10 Cecília Hausmann (ELTE University, Budapest, Doctoral School of Philosophy: Art Historical Studies)
Space, Style, Material Culture. A Typology of Modernist Jewish Funeral Art in the Former Kingdom of Hungary (online presentation)

The Fate of Jewish Cemeteries in the Twentieth and Twenty-First Centuries

Chair: Lucian-Zeev Herşcovici

12.10-12.40 Tamara Kutsaieva (National Historical-Architectural Museum Kyiv Fortress), Olexandra Buzko (Scientific Archive of the Institute of Archaeology of the National Academy of Science of Ukraine)
Archival Documents of 1924 and the Virtual Reconstruction of the Destroyed Urban Jewish Cemetery in Boryspil, Ukraine (online presentation)

12.40-13.10 Anca Tudorancea (University of Bucharest / Center for the Study of the History of Jews in Romania Wilhelm Filderman, FEDROM)
Invisible Presence. The Photos of the Victims of Bucharest Pogrom (January 1941) Inside of Bucharest Jewish Cemeteries

13.10-14.50 Lunch

14.50-15.20 Janina_Naskalska Babik (Jagiellonian University in Kraków)
Podgórze Jewish Cemeteries: A Vanished Heritage? (online presentation)

15.20-15.50 Iwona Brzewska (Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw)

Non omnis moriar (online presentation)

Jewish Cemeteries and the Issue of Heritage

Chair: Ilia Rodov

15.50-16.20 Tamás Csáki (ELTE University Budapest, Faculty of Arts, Institute of Art History / Budapest History Museum)

The Salgótarjáni Street Jewish Cemetery in Budapest: A Place Between Ashkenazi Tradition and Bourgeois Funerary Representation

16.20-16.35 Break

16.35-17.05 Cezar Petre Buiumaci (Municipality Museum of Bucharest)

Jewish Monuments in Bucharest

17.05-17.35 Magdalena Duda-Seifert (University of Wrocław, Department of Regional Geography and Tourism),

Jewish Cemetery Within the Urban Space: From Oblivion to Appreciation

17.35-18.05 Ruth Ellen Gruber (Director of the website jewish-heritage-europe.eu; Former Distinguished Visiting Chair in Jewish Studies, College of Charleston)

Jewish Cemeteries and Tourism: Integrating Visitors but Preserving the Sanctity

18.05-18.20 Break

18.20-18.50 Keynote lecture

Ilia Rodov (Bar-Ilan University)
*Portraying the Soul's Virtues: Zoomorphic Images on Jewish
Tombstones*

18.50-19.20 Discussions

19.30-21.00 Dinner

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Jewish Cemeteries: Protecting, Preserving, Visiting

9.30-9.50 Break

Documentation, Investigation and Protection Methods (I)

Chair: Ruth Ellen Gruber

9.50-10.20 Vladimir Levin, Ekaterina Oleshkevich (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Center for Jewish Art)

Jewish Cemeteries, Signatures of Tombstone Makers, and Mental Maps (online presentation)

10.20-10.50 Liliana Condricova (Academy of Sciences of Moldova)

The Aesthetics of Artistic Iron from the Jewish Cemetery in Chişinău

10.50-11.20 Agnieszka Nieradko (The Rabbinical Commission for Jewish Cemeteries in Poland and the Zapomniane Foundation)

The Rabbinical Commission for Jewish Cemeteries in Poland: How Combining the Guidelines of Jewish Law with Modern Technologies Contribute to Saving Jewish Cemeteries (online presentation)

11.20-11.40 Break

11.40-12.10 Valentin Ștefan (SC Metamorfozys SRL)
Techniques for Carving Funerary Monuments. Case Study: The Jewish Cemetery in Alba Iulia

Regional Overviews: Jewish Cemeteries and the Topography of the Urban Space Up to the Late Modern Period

Chair: Daniel Dumitran

12.10-12.40 Dan Iacob (Institute of Social Sciences and Humanities in Sibiu)
Urban Jewish Cemeteries in Moldavia in Cartographic Sources from the 18th-19th Centuries (online presentation)

12.40-13.10 Felicia Grigorescu (County Museum of Satu Mare)
Urban Jewish Cemeteries from the North-Western Romania, in the Context of European Modernity

13.10-14.50 Lunch

14.50-15.20 Laurențiu Rădvan (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași)
The Old Jewish Cemetery in Iași: A Historical and Urban Topography Approach (17th-19th Centuries) (online presentation)

15.20-15.50 Jens Carleson Magalhães (University of Gothenburg)
“As Abraham’s First Property in Canaan Was a Cemetery...”: The Changing Landscape of the Old Jewish Cemetery in Gothenburg, Sweden, 1792–1915 (online presentation)

Documentation, Investigation and Protection Methods (II)

Chair: Daniel Dumitran and Claudiu Stoian

15.50-16.20 Claudiu Stoian (University of Bucharest, Faculty of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Department of Jewish Studies)
Matsevah As a Memorial: A Textual Analysis of Tombstones from Alba Iulia Jewish Cemetery

16.20-16.35

Break

16.35-17.05 Irina Ţihova, Iuliu Palihovici (The Museum of the History of Jews from the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău)
Jewish Cemeteries of Chişinău and Vadul Raşcov: One Country, Two Cases

17.05-17.35 Sidonia Olea (National Museum of the Union, Alba Iulia)

Preservation and Restoration of Funerary Tombstones from the Jewish Cemetery in Alba Iulia: A Decade of Activity

17.35-18.05 Călin Ţuteu (1 Decembrie 1918 University of Alba Iulia / Gigapixel Art SRL)

Modern Technologies in the Documentation of the Jewish Cemetery of Alba Iulia: 10 Years After

18.05-18.20 Break

18.20-18.50 Keynote lecture

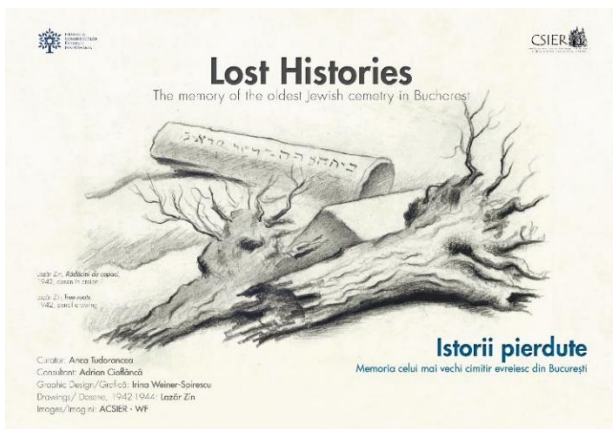
Daniel Dumitran (1 Decembrie 1918 University of Alba Iulia)

Romanian Jewish Cemeteries in European Context:

Research and Valuation

18.50-19.20 Closing of the Conference

19.30-21.00 Dinner



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