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The Second James Sawers, Jr.
Interfaith Speaker Series
Presents
Rabbi Reuven Firestone, PhD



October 11-13, 2018

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Schedule of Events

Thursday, October 11, 2018

7:30 PM-Arnold Hall, Jewish Studies Bldg, 1st Floor, College of Charleston, 96 Wentworth St., Charleston, SC 29424
Lecture: How To Diss a (False) Prophet: Protecting Religion by Rejecting God's Messengers

Friday, October 12, 2018

9:30 AM, Hanahan Hall, Annex Bldg. 2nd floor of Grace Cathedral, 98 Wentworth St, Charleston, SC 29401, Enter from Wentworth St., Lecture: The Story of Prophet Muhammad: Narrative and Counter-Narrative in Islam, Christianity and Judaism.

Friday, October 12, 2018

12:00 noon, Lecture/workshop Library, 2nd Floor, Jewish Studies Bldg, , College of Charleston, 96 Wentworth St, Chas., SC 29424.
Topic: Abraham: The First Jew, Christian or Muslim. A Comparative Study of the Patriarch in three Scriptures.

Friday, October 12, 2018

8:00 PM, main sanctuary at KKBE (Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim, 90 Hassell St., Charleston, SC 29401, guest lecture during evening service
Topic: The Five Pillars of Islam & Judaism

Saturday, October 13, 2018

10:30 AM, social hall at KKBE, following the morning service
Topic: Noah and the Flood in Bible and Qur'an: Is it the Same Story?

Saturday, October 13, 2018

8:00 PM main sanctuary, Synagogue Emanu-el, (West Ashley), 5 Windsor Drive, Charleston, SC 29407
Main Lecture: Who Are the (Real) Chosen People(?) The Meaning of Choseness in Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

Note: All the above presentations and workshops are free and open to the public. No reservations are needed, but please let us know how many will be attending each, so we can have enough hand out materials by contacting: Ken Fox at: 843-763-3150 or at SCKenFox@comcast.net

Rabbi Reuven Firestone



Born in Northern California, Reuven Firestone is the Regenstein Professor in Medieval Judaism and Islam at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and Affiliate Professor of Religion at the University of Southern California. Recipient of numerous research fellowships and university invitations, he is currently a Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow in Berlin (summers, 2017-2019) and Sigi Feigel Visiting Professorship for Jewish Studies, University of Zürich (2018). Firestone has written over one hundred scholarly chapters and articles and eight books, with translations into German, French, Hebrew, Turkish, Arabic, Albanian, Serbo-Croatian, Macedonian, Indonesian and Urdu. Having lived with his family in Israel, Egypt and Germany, he regularly lectures in universities and religious centers throughout the United States, Europe, the Middle East and Asia. He served as vice president of the Association for Jewish Studies (AJS) and president of the International Qur'anic Studies Association (IQSA).

Dr. James Sawers, Jr.



James Sawers was the president of the Christian-Jewish Council of Greater Charleston for a number of years. He passed away unexpectedly in March 2017. He was a great leader who inspired people to be creative, thoughtful and respectful of others. His intelligence and training in religion and science contributed to mankind in many ways, locally and internationally. Jim was a nuclear physicist and ordained United Methodist minister. We all miss him greatly.