

PURIMBILL



Beth Am Purim Spiel 5786

The Beth Am All-American Descendants
of Immigrants, Refugees, and Enslaved
People Theater Company Presents:

Les Miserabbis

and the J-Pop Haman Hunters

BOOK AND LYRICS

Charles Rammelkamp

Carol Berkower

Jason Katcoff

Meg Wobus

Charley Beller

Robin Katcoff

Erev Purim

Tuesday, March 2nd, 2026 | 13 Adar 5785

Music, assorted lyrics, and plot elements shamelessly pilfered from "Les Miserables" by Claude-Michel Schönberg, Alain Boublil, Jean-Marc Natel, and Herbert Kretzmer; and from "K-Pop Demon Hunters" by Maggie Kang and Chris Applehans. Other plot elements taken from the REAL news, God help us.



THE SPIELERS

Mordechai - Jason Katcoff

Haman - Shamir Burg

King Ahasueros - Brian Kolstad

Vashti - Robin Katcoff

Esther - Sarah Aminoff Kelley

Investor/Chorus/Bigtan - Clara Salzberg

Investor/Chorus - Becky Eisen

Harem/Chorus - Rhonda Gelman Kelley, Liv Levine,
Jessie Weber

Cosmo/Chorus - Max Ershler

Innkeepers - Rav Daniel Burg, Rav Tyler Dratch, David
Rocah

Teresh - Kris Baxter-Stolzenbach

Emcee/Chorus - Henry Kolstad

Guards - Isaac Kutcher, Nathaniel Salzberg

Scribe/Haman's Kid - Ira Markowitz

Chorus - Rachel Cane, Judy Drager-Davidoff, Bonnie
Guralnick, Susannah Kolstad, Janaki Kuruppu, Shoshana
Rubinstein, Berenice Rushovich, Burt Simpson

J-Pop Haman Hunters - Madeline Caplan, Emma Geroff,
Hedy Geroff, Maya Kelley, Hannah Kelley, Maggie
Kolstad, Noa Weber

Haman's Kids - Kelley Gludt, Merrick Kelley, Jack
Kolstad, Eliza Salzberg, Matan Salzberg, Nessya Terry,
Nancy Eddy



MEGILAT ESTHER READERS 5786

1. Rav Tyler
2. Carol Berkower
3. Sarah Edelsburg
4. Marc Ershler
5. Zackary Berger
6. Donna Kirshbaum
7. Shoshanah Rubenstein
8. Zackary Berger
9. Robin and Jason Katcoff
10. Janaki Kuruppu

THE CREW

Sound

Mike Catelinet

Lights

Ana Pavich, James Schwartz

Props & Costumes

Meg Hyman Berman, Bonnie Guralnick

Program

Courtney Luby

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Alex Pomerantz

Warren McFarlane

Music Director & Piano

Meg Wobus

Directed & Produced by

Carol Berkower

Celebrating
50
Years

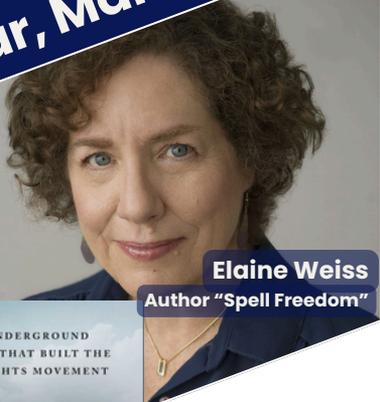


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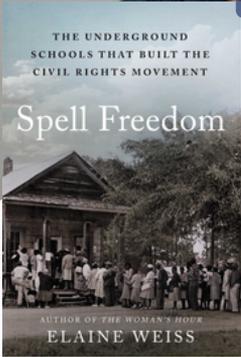


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Elaine Weiss
Author "Spell Freedom"



E. R. Shipp
Pulitzer Prize winner & professor of journalism at Morgan University



Spell Freedom Book Discussion

Join Beth Am congregant and author Elaine Weiss and E. R. Shipp, professor of journalism at Morgan State University for a compelling conversation on her newest book, *Spell Freedom*.

Spell Freedom is the story of four social justice activists whose audacious plan to restore voting rights to Black citizens in the Jim Crow south laid the groundwork for the civil rights movement. It is a beautifully crafted and dramatic tale that testifies to the resilience of America's dreamers and freedom fighters.

-Jonathan Eig, Pulitzer Prize winning author of *King: A Life*

The women of Beth Am are warmly invited to gather for an evening of connection, reflection, and creativity as we prepare for Pesach together.

Women's Pesach Celebration

Sunday, March 15, 2026

4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

\$55 per adult; \$25 per young adult (ages 13-29)

includes dinner, dessert & beverages



The Beth Am Women's Pesach Celebration welcomes all individuals that identify as female or non-binary, B'nai Mitzvah age and older.

RSVP No later than March 9, 2026