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Jewish Museum of Buffalo Announces *America 250: The Jewish American Story*

Opening Celebration Featuring New Exhibitions, Live Performances, Poetry, and Community Programming

BUFFALO, N.Y. — The Jewish Museum of Buffalo invites the public to celebrate **America 250: The Jewish American Story** on **Thursday, August 27, 2026, from 6:00–9:00 p.m. at 805 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, New York**. This special opening celebration commemorates 250 years of Jewish contributions to the American experience through history, art, music, poetry, and community engagement.

The evening marks the opening of the museum's newest exhibition, **America 250: The Jewish American Story**, features a contemporary exhibition by Buffalo artist **Noah Breuer**, whose contemporary artwork reflects on generations of family textile traditions while exploring themes of American identity, heritage, and belonging.

Visitors will enjoy guided tours, family-friendly art activities, poetry, and an original musical program that traces the American story from the Revolutionary era to the present day. Moderated by veteran journalist **Rich Newberg**, the performance combines classical, folk, klezmer, jazz, Broadway, and contemporary music with historical readings and poetry, celebrating the enduring influence of Jewish Americans on the nation's cultural and civic life.

Featured performers include:

- **Rich Newberg** — Moderator
- **Ethan Fox** — Percussionist
- **Daria Gutmann** — Classical Vocalist
- **Alisha K. Govindaraj** — Violinist
- **Aria Knechtes** — Pianist
- **Lila Bucchieri** — Pop Vocalist
- **Anna Bush** — Clarinetist
- **Susan Nusbaum** — Poet
- **Gunilla Kester** — Poet

The evening concludes with a community rendition of "**God Bless America**," bringing together performers and guests in celebration of our shared history and future.



Event Information

America 250: The Jewish American Story

Thursday, August 27, 2026 | 6:00–9:00 p.m.

Location: Jewish Museum of Buffalo

805 Delaware Avenue (Barker Lot | Free parking) Buffalo, NY 14209 | (716) 322- 0474

Suggested Donation: \$18 Adults • \$10 Students & Seniors • Children 5 and under Free
Free Parking • Everyone Welcome [Get Tickets Here!](#)

For sponsorship opportunities, commemorative program advertising, or additional information, contact the Jewish Museum of Buffalo at info@jmbuffalo.org or visit www.jmbuffalo.org.

About the Exhibition

America 250: The Jewish American Story explores 250 years of Jewish life in America through the people, places, and defining moments that helped shape both the nation and the City of Buffalo. Through historical artifacts, personal narratives, artwork, and local history, visitors journey from Revolutionary War patriot **Haym Salomon** and the visionary settlement of **Ararat** to the Civil War, immigration, civic leadership, scientific discovery, music, broadcasting, military service, and community life.

The exhibition highlights remarkable stories, including Buffalo's 1901 Pan-American Exposition, the humanitarian work of Rabbi Joseph L. Fink, Buffalo's Nobel Prize-winning scientist Herbert Hauptman, the history of the Westwood Club, refugee experiences after World War II, and the founding of the Jewish Museum of Buffalo. Together, these stories demonstrate how Jewish Americans have contributed to the ideals of freedom, innovation, justice, and community while preserving a rich cultural legacy that continues to shape our region today.

Sponsorships and commemorative program advertising opportunities are available for businesses and organizations wishing to support the museum's exhibitions, education programs, and growing collections. For sponsorship opportunities and other inquiries, please contact the Jewish Museum of Buffalo at info@jmbuffalo.org or visit www.jmbuffalo.org.

About the Jewish Museum of Buffalo

The Jewish Museum of Buffalo preserves, interprets, and shares the history, art, and culture of Jewish life in Western New York through exhibitions, educational programming, collections, genealogy, and community partnerships. The museum welcomes visitors of all backgrounds to explore the stories that connect Buffalo's Jewish heritage with the broader American experience.