



**We are excited to announce that this year's  
JTS Gladstein Conference  
will be at Temple Israel Center  
Friday, January 25,  
through Sunday, January 27, 2019**

**This year's conference, organized by our Gladstein Rabbinic intern Ariana Capptauber, is called "A Time for Change: Innovation and Managing a Shifting Religious Landscape." This theme was created with TIC in mind, and aims to help us to capitalize on the opportunities and manage the challenges that come up in this time of communal change. You are welcome to participate for any or all of the conference Friday through Sunday. *We hope to see you there!***

**More about the conference:**

The landscape of religious life is shifting in the 21st century. Our Conservative communities are facing different geographic, demographic, and financial realities than those of previous generations. Some of this change feels tumultuous; some practices once cherished fall out of use, while others remain the steady core of our religious world. Some new practices thrive, while others fail. How do we manage our congregations and religious lives within this changing world? How can we encourage innovation that helps us grow without distracting from our core values? How do we deal with communal change and loss?

We will ask these questions and more at the conference. We will learn from exciting speakers thinking critically about the shifting religious landscape, and innovating in exciting ways. On Friday morning we will hear about changes in the religious landscape from Rabbi Elan Babchuck, director of innovation at Clal, and sing with Joey Weisenberg, creative director of Mechon Hadar's Rising Song Institute. On Saturday evening we will have a music and prayer workshop with Dr. Galeet Dardashti, Assistant Professor of Jewish Music at the Jewish Theological Seminary. On Sunday we will study text with Laynie Solomon, director of national learning at SVARA, a queer yeshiva, and learn about mindfulness and meditation with Yael Shy, Senior Director of the NYU Global Spiritual Life Center. There will also be time throughout for participants to share and discuss challenges their congregations are facing, and innovations they are trying out. Come and learn from these fantastic speakers and from one another on this meaningful weekend.

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