



TICVA

“The Israel Civil Voice Alliance”

Founded by Dan Gorfain “ZT”L”

Fostering a respectful civil forum about Israel in the Jewish community

So Many Ways To Be A Jew: Religious Pluralism in Israel

Featuring a presentation by

Yael Yechieli-Persico

With participation by our Rabbis and Cantors

TICVA invites the Sacramento Jewish community to learn about Religious Pluralism in Israel, encompassing issues of acceptance of worship and status for Jews of all denominations.

Sunday, December 8, 2019, 1-4 pm

Congregation Beth Shalom

4746 El Camino Avenue

Carmichael, California 95608

Ms. Yechieli-Persico will provide a historical overview, including differences between Judaism in Israel and in America, issues of who is a Jew regarding Aliyah, marriage, and conversion, religious practices, including at the Western Wall, public finance for religion, divorce, gay rights, and how to love and support Israel in light of or in spite of these issues.

Our Rabbis and Cantors will lead small group discussions, and give final remarks. TICVA committee members will assist.

Yael Yechieli-Persico, originally from Jerusalem, is a member of the 'Zion' Conservative congregation. She is former Director of the Department of Democracy and the Department of Freedom of Religion in New Israel Fund/Shatil, and has a BA in philosophy and sociology from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and MA in Jewish studies from the Schechter Institute. For many years she facilitated Israeli-Palestinian dialogue groups, and worked with Israeli youth groups in pre-army leadership programs and informal educational programs. For twenty years Yael has been part of the Israeli "Jewish Renaissance," teaching Talmud and Jewish thought. She is one of the founders of "Havaya," an organization for the facilitation of alternative Jewish life ceremonies.

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To help us plan the day, **please RSVP** to let us know you are coming.

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*The **Mission** of The Israel Civil Voice Alliance (TICVA) is to foster a respectful civil forum in the Jewish community for discussion, education and discourse on issues central to Israel, in a safe and welcoming environment.*