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A MELTON SEMINAR ADDRESSING 120 YEARS OF UNRESOLVED CONFLICT

Led by Haim Aronovitz and co-taught by Ronnie
Gotkin, veteran Melton Educator from Cape Town

September 4-13, 2017

From \$3,280 land only



SEMINAR INCLUDES

- 9 nights accommodation at selected hotels (B&B)
- All breakfasts and 1 additional meal per day
- Educational programming throughout
- All entrance fees and programs as per itinerary
- Touring in a luxury, air-conditioned bus
- Portage at hotels

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MONDAY SEPTEMBER 4 JAFFA AS METAPHOR

2:30 p.m. **Introductions** to each other and to the program
3:30 p.m. Visit Jaffa and Encounter its Narratives
7:30 p.m. Opening Dinner
Presentation and Discussion after dinner:
War Between the Peaces? Peace Between the Wars? 120+ Years of Conflict Unresolved
OVERNIGHT: TEL AVIV

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5 1882-1921: EARLY INTERACTIONS

Introduction: The Rothschilds and the Land of Israel in the 19th Century
Ramat Hanadiv: **A birds' eye view** of the land and its contested narratives
Explore Zichron Yaakov and the **First Aliyah**
Lunch in Rosh Pina region
From Self-Defense to National Defense
1. Metulla and surrounds, incl. Lebanon's Beka'a Valley
2. Kfar Giladi and Tel Hai
Summary of day
OVERNIGHT: PASTORAL KFAR BLUM, UPPER GALILEE

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 6 TOWARDS INDEPENDENCE - AND SOON AFTER

Introduction: Palestine Triangle (Arabs, Jews and British)
Determining borders: Hanita, Zionist Epic
The Battle for Control of the Roads in 1948: The Yehiam Convoy
Lunch break
A Test Case for a Young State and its Arab Citizens (Visit Iqrit church and encounter)
Summary of day at Metsudat Koach, overlooking Hula Valley
OVERNIGHT: PASTORAL KFAR BLUM, UPPER GALILEE

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 7 THE GOLAN AND THE SYRIAN FRONT SINCE 1948

Introduction: What Makes This Area so Important? And so Volatile?
1967: The Golan as Threat Removed (Tel Fahr)
1973: The Vale of Tears (El Rom or battle site)
Lunch break

The Question of the Druse: Majdal Shams
The Price of War: Memorial site at Shear Yishuv (1997)
OVERNIGHT: PASTORAL KFAR BLUM, UPPER GALILEE

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 8 ALONG THE GREEN LINE AND TO JERUSALEM

Introduction to the day en route, with detailed maps
Drive across the Jezreel Valley to Wadi Ara and across to Rabin Hiway
Follow the **Green Line** of Samaria, along the "**Narrow waist**" of pre-1967 Israel
Lydda/Lod, Ramle and Latrun in 1948
Proceed to Jerusalem
p.m. Free to prepare for Shabbat
Evening: Kabbalat Shabbat and Se'udat Shabbat
OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM

SHABBAT KI TAVO

Morning free
NOON: Reading **Parashat Hashavua** with our seminar lenses
Lunch together
p.m. A walk along part of the **pre-1967 ceasefire lines in the city**
Havdalah
OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10 THE EGYPTIAN AND PALESTINIAN FRONTS IN THE SOUTH

Introduction: How Does the Southern Front Differ from Our Previous Foci?
a.m. **Dealing with the Egyptians and the Fedayoun** (through to the '60's)
A Remarkable Border Case (Nir Am, 1943-47)
Slowing the Egyptian Advance (Yad Mordechai, May, 1948)
Lunch in Sderot
p.m. **Addressing the Palestinians in Gaza**
Gaza: A Review and Update
Visit a front-line kibbutz
Summary and return to Jerusalem
OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11 1967 AND THE TERRITORIAL IMPERATIVE

a.m. **Eretz Binyamin and Samaria**
Introduction: Before 1967 and After - Two Ways of Reading History in the Making
• **"5 minutes from Kfar Sabba":**
The View from Alfei Menashe
• Meet with representative of the **Two-State Solution** in the field
Lunch break
p.m.
• **Ideological Settlement Exemplified:** Ariel
• **The First-Ever Pre-Planned Palestinian City** (Rawabi)
Palestinian city
Summary session
Free evening in Jerusalem
OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 12 JEW AND BEDOUIN IN THE NEGEV; OF OAKS AND ACORNS IN THE JUDEAN HILLS

a.m. **The Negev: Between Bedouin and Jewish Claims to the Region**
Introduction at the **Negev Memorial**, near Beer Sheva
(How) Are the Challenges of the Fastest-Growing Population Group in the Country Being Met? Visit Beer Sheva's Old City; meet with Bedouin activist
Lunch break
p.m. **Gush Etzion**
The Oak Tree as Symbol: Alon Shvut
Visit to **Nahalin**, a Palestinian village and/or meet with Nahalin resident
Functional Co-existence: An Interim Model (Meet with the Mayor of Efrat)
Summary session
OVERNIGHT: JERUSALEM

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 13 THE HEART OF IT ALL: JERUSALEM

a.m. **Introduction to the day**
Jerusalem and Al Kuds: Two Capitals or One?
Meet figures from Jerusalem Municipality and in East Jerusalem
p.m.
What are Our Options Within Our Borders? - Simulation exercise and analysis
Summary Discussion
Closing dinner with guest speaker