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As a college English major who grew up with weekly trips to the library and went on to work for five years in community relations at Barnes & Noble (the amazing Union Square location!), I am—and have always been—a voracious reader and committed book person. With this book-centric background, the AJS Honors Its Authors program has always been one of my favorite AJS initiatives, and I’ve loved helping it grow.

The AJS Honors Its Authors program has celebrated more than 1,200 books and their authors, editors, and translators since 2011. The ways in which we recognize the books has changed and expanded over the years, and I’m so pleased that this year we’re able to share a complete catalog of the 100 books by AJS members in 2023!

These books represent the depth and breadth of Jewish Studies—with books by authors from around the world, written in English, Hebrew, and French; books by first-time authors as well as books by more seasoned scholars; fiction and nonfiction; books for academics and books for the public; textbooks, poetry volumes, yearbooks, histories, novels, criticism, biographies, textual analysis, research, and more.

This year’s books have been reviewed extensively in academic journals, the Jewish press, and the mainstream press. Finally, the 2023 books have been honored by Association of Jewish Libraries Awards, Canadian Jewish Literary Awards, Libby, the National Jewish Book Awards, National Public Radio (NPR), and the New York Times.

We hope that through this exploration of Jewish Studies in 2023, you’ll be inspired—and find your next great read, your next big idea, or even your next research collaboration!
The AJS wants to extend a special thank you to Jordan Schnitzer for underwriting the costs of this inaugural catalog and for investing so heavily in the AJS’s book culture with both the Jordan Schnitzer Book Awards and the Jordan Schnitzer First Book Publication Awards.

And if you’re a 2024 author, we hope you’ll submit your book to this year’s program so we can celebrate you and your work: associationforjewishstudies.org/ajs-honors-its-authors.

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No Longer Ladies and Gentlemen: Gender and the German-Jewish Migration to Mandatory Palestine
Viola Alianov-Rautenberg
Stanford University Press

Bridging German-Jewish and Israeli history, this book tells the story of Jewish migration from Nazi Germany to Mandatory Palestine as gender history.

The Babylonian Talmud and Late Antique Book Culture
Monika Amsler
Cambridge University Press

Rather than taking the Talmud’s discursive structure as a sign for orality, this book interrogates the intellectual and material prerequisites of composers of such complex works, their education, and methods of large-scale data management.

Hell Arrayed (Tofteh ‘arukh): A Seventeenth-Century Hebrew Poem on the Punishment of the Wicked in the Afterlife
Michela Andreatta
Centre for Renaissance and Reformation Studies

Annotated English translation with historical introduction of Tofteh ‘Arukh (Hell Arrayed) by Mantuan rabbi, kabbalist, and poet Moses Zacuto (c. 1610-1697).
Queer Judaism: LBGT Activism and the Remaking of Jewish Orthodoxy in Israel
Orit Avishai
New York University Press
Queer Judaism offers the compelling story of how Orthodox LGBT persons in Israel created an effective social movement and changed the conversation about gender and sexual diversity in Orthodoxy.

Walt Whitman and the Making of Jewish American Poetry
Dara Barnat
University of Iowa Press, Iowa Whitman Series
This book examines how Walt Whitman has served as a crucial figure within the tradition of Jewish American poetry, including, but far beyond the case of Allen Ginsberg.

Loving Our Own Bones: Disability Wisdom and the Spiritual Subversiveness of Knowing Ourselves Whole
Julia Watts Belser
Beacon Press
This book offers a radical rethinking of disability in biblical literature, rabbinic texts, and contemporary culture, while reckoning with the pervasiveness of ableism in Jewish and Christian traditions.

A Life of Psalms in Jewish Late Antiquity
AJ Berkovitz
University of Pennsylvania Press
This book reconstructs and contextualizes a diverse set of practices performed with and on the Psalter.
A Jewish Childhood in the Muslim Mediterranean: A Collection of Stories Curated by Leïla Sebbar
Lia Brozgal and Rebecca Glasberg, coeditors
University of California Press
This collection features the stories of Jewish writers, scholars, and intellectuals who came of age in lands where Islam was the dominant religion and everyday life was infused with the politics of the French imperial project.

The Dybbuk Century: The Jewish Play that Possessed the World
Debra Caplan and Rachel Merrill Moss, coeditors
University of Michigan Press
This book collects essays from an interdisciplinary group of scholars who explore the play’s original Yiddish and Hebrew productions and offer critical reflections on the play’s enduring influence over the past century.

Funny, You Don’t Look Funny: Judaism and Humor from the Silent Generation to Millennials
Jennifer Caplan
Wayne State University Press
A look at the changing relationship between American Jews and their Jewish identity across four generations, using humor as the primary lens.

The Future of Judaism in America
Jerome A. Chanes and Mark Silk, coeditors
Springer
This book explores American Jewish denominational directions, contemporary religious trends, and interactions with other religious communities, in the context of American society in which religious identity is considered an individual choice.
Mine is the Golden Tongue: The Hebrew Sonnets of Immanuel of Rome
Yehudah Cohn
CPL Editions
A first-time translation of all Immanuel of Rome’s Hebrew sonnets, written in the 14th century, and here rendered into rhyming English sonnets. The annotations provide details of the poet’s allusions.

Uprooting the Diaspora: Jewish Belonging and the “Ethnic Revolution” in Poland and Czechoslovakia, 1936-1946
Sarah A. Cramsey
Indiana University Press (Modern Jewish Experience Series)
An exploration into how Jewish citizens rooted in interwar Poland and Czechoslovakia became the ideal citizenry for a post-World War II Jewish state in the Middle East.

American Jewish Year Book 2022
Arnold Dashefsky and Ira M. Sheskin, coeditors
Springer
Continuation of a reference work spanning 1899 to the present; includes access to major review articles and population statistics written by prominent scholars and practitioners.

No Return: Jews, Christian Usurers, and the Spread of Mass Expulsion in Medieval Europe
Rowan Dorin
Princeton University Press
A groundbreaking new history of the shared legacy of expulsion among Jews and Christian moneylenders in late medieval Europe.
Jews, Judaism, and Success: How Religion Paved the Way to Modern Jewish Achievement
Robert Eisen
University of Toronto Press
Robert Eisen attempts to explain the surprising success of Jews in the modern Western world, attributing it to their religious culture that, over centuries, prepared them to succeed when the modern period arrived.

A Jew in the Roman Bathhouse: Cultural Interaction in the Ancient Mediterranean
Yaron Z. Eliav
Princeton University Press
Public bathhouses in Ancient Rome embodied the Roman way of life: food and fashion to nudity, sculpture, and sports. This interdisciplinary study traces how Jews navigated this space and investigates the broader questions of cultural identity.

Singlehood and Religion: The Case of Israeli Religious Zionist Singles
Ari Engelberg
Lexington Books
This book presents sociological analysis of the Religious Zionist “singles problem” (or “shidduch crisis”), analyzing it both within the context of Israeli society and as part of a global phenomenon.

When We Collide: Sex, Social Risk, and Jewish Ethics
Rebecca J. Epstein-Levi
Indiana University Press
This book explores sexual ethics in conversation with rabbinic texts and feminist and queer theory, treating sex—doing it, talking about it, thinking about it, regulating it, and interpreting it—as a site of ongoing moral formation on individual, interpersonal, and communal levels.
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Shmuel Feiner
Indiana University Press
This volume explores how political considerations of the Jewish minority throughout Europe began to expand in the second half of the eighteenth century, as the lives of the Jews of Europe became ever more intertwined with the political, social, economic, and cultural fabric of the continent.

Longing: Poems of a Life
Merle Feld
CCAR Press
An intensely personal story from acclaimed poet Merle Feld, opening forbidden doors, peering through the lattices of memory at moments of anguish, breaking, blessing, becoming, and above all, courage and resilience.

The Jewish Imperial Imagination: Leo Baeck and German-Jewish Thought
Yaniv Feller
Cambridge University Press
This work shows the ways in which the German imperial enterprise left its imprint on Leo Baeck’s religious and political thought and on modern Jewish thought more generally.

The Jews of Summer: Summer Camp and Jewish Culture in Postwar America
Sandra F. Fox
Stanford University Press
A history of Jewish summer camping in postwar America, this book demonstrates how a sense of cultural crisis birthed a rite of passage that remains a significant influence in American Jewish life.
Multilingualism and Translation in Ancient Judaism: Before and After Babel
Steven D. Fraade
Cambridge University Press
This book explores the practice and conception of multilingualism and translation in ancient Judaism; Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek primary sources illustrate the fundamental issues and the performative aspects relating to translation and multilingualism.

The Routledge Handbook of Judaism in the 21st Century
Keren E. Fraiman and Dean P. Bell, coeditors
Routledge
This book addresses questions and issues animating Judaism, Jewish identity, and Jewish society in a global, integrated, and forward-looking way and introduces the complexity of Judaism as it has developed and continues to develop throughout the twenty-first century.

Jewish Muslims: How Christians Imagined Islam as the Enemy
David M. Freidenreich
University of California Press
Jewish Muslims explores the intertwined history of Christian hatred of Jews and of Muslims, making the case that, then and now, hatemongers target “them” in an effort to define “us.”

À la Recherche de l’Intégration: Les marchands juifs séfarades occidentaux à Saint-Espirit-lès-Bayonne face à la société bayonnaise au XVIIIe siècle
Nimrod Mordechai Gaatone
Peeters Publishers
Based on diverse, often unpublished, sources, this book discusses Portuguese Jews in Saint-Espirit-lès-Bayonne, France, in the eighteenth century, their social and economic activities, and their efforts to integrate into French society.
Teaching the Shoah: Mandate and Momentum
Zev W. Garber and Kenneth L. Hanson, coeditors
Cambridge Scholars Publishers
This volume is an anthological collection of essays and creative pieces showcasing the pedagogical issues related to the Nazi genocide.

Making German Jewish Literature Anew
Katja Garloff
Indiana University Press
This book traces the emergence of a new Jewish literature in Germany and Austria from 1990 to the present and is structured around a series of founding gestures: performing authorship, remaking memory, and claiming places.

New Israeli Horror: Local Cinema, Global Genre
Olga Gershenson
Rutgers University Press
Before 2010, there were no Israeli horror films. By 2020, there were enough for this book. Through in-depth analysis, engaging storytelling, and filmmaker interviews, Gershenson covers new Israeli horror films from inception to reception.

Imagined Israel(s): Representations of the Jewish State in the Arts
Rocco Giansante and Luna Goldberg, coeditors
Brill
This volume presents an expanded vision of Israel to showcase the value of the arts in reimagining national narratives. These acts of reimagination can radically reconfigure who has the authority to mold the nation’s immaterial landscape.
Kantika: A Novel
Elizabeth Graver
Metropolitan Books/Henry Holt & Co.
This novel was inspired by the author’s grandmother, who was born into a Sephardic Jewish family in Istanbul, and whose tumultuous and shape-shifting life journey took her to Spain, Cuba, and New York.

Antisemitism and the White Supremacist Imaginary: Conflations and Contradictions in Composition and Rhetoric
Mara Lee Grayson
Peter Lang
This book explores how the overt and covert manifestations of antisemitism operate in service to white supremacy and negatively impact the experiences of Jewish educators in higher education spaces.

Jewish Virtue Ethics
Alexander Green, Geoffrey D. Claussen, and Alan L. Mittleman, coeditors
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Beginning with the Bible and culminating with twenty-first-century feminism and environmentalism, this book explores thirty-five influential Jewish approaches to character and virtue.

The Routledge Handbook of Religion and the Body
Yudit Kornberg Greenberg and George Pati, coeditors
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This book features multidisciplinary approaches and methodologies from the humanities and the social sciences, addressing the body and embodied religiosity in theological, ethical, and cultural contexts.
Babylonian Jews and Sasanian Imperialism in Late Antiquity
Simcha Gross

From the image offered by the Babylonian Talmud, Jewish elites were deeply embedded within the Sasanian Empire (224-651 CE). The Talmud is replete with stories and discussions that feature Sasanian kings, Zoroastrian magi, fire temples, imperial administrators, Sasanian laws, Persian customs, and more quotidian details of Jewish life. Yet, in the scholarly literature on the Babylonian Talmud and the Jews of Babylonia, the Sasanian Empire has served as a backdrop to a decidedly parochial Jewish story, having little if any direct impact on Babylonian Jewish life and especially the rabbis. Babylonian Jews and Sasanian Imperialism in Late Antiquity advances a radically different understanding of Babylonian Jewish history and Sasanian rule. Building upon recent scholarship, Simcha Gross portrays a more immanent model of Sasanian rule, within and against which Jews invariably positioned and defined themselves. Babylonian Jews realized their traditions, teachings, and social position within the political, social, religious, and cultural conditions generated by Sasanian rule.

SIMCHA GROSS is Assistant Professor of Ancient rabbinics in the Department of Near Eastern Studies at the University of Pennsylvania. Coauthor of The History of the “Slave of Chris”: From Jewish Child to Christian Martyr and coeditor of Jews and Syriac Christians, he was an Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellow for Assistant Professors at the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, and a recipient of an Alexander von Humboldt Foundation fellowship for experienced researchers.

The Ten Commandments
Timothy S. Hogue

Monuments of Memory, Belief, and Interpretation

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Timothy S. Hogue is Assistant Professor of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations at the University of Pennsylvania.

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Frederick E. Greenspahn
The Jewish Publication Society
This book surveys the creation of the Hebrew Bible and its role in Jewish thought, law, and practice from antiquity to the present.

The Soviet Jewish Bookshelf: Jewish Culture and Identity between the Lines
Marat Grinberg
Brandeis University Press
A study of the psyche and rich intellectual universe of Soviet Jews after the Holocaust - of how reading nourished and bolstered their identity, from Russian novels to translations to science fiction.

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The Weavers of Trautenau: Female Jewish Forced Labor in the Holocaust
Janine P. Holc
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This study presents the forced labor experience in the words of female survivors, revealing the complex social world of the Sudetenland textile camps holding Polish-Jewish young women during the Holocaust.

Divre binah / Zikhronot: Kitve Dov Ber ben Yehuda Birkenthal
Gershon David Hundert
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Motti Inbari
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*Sheila E. Jelen*  
Wayne State University Press  
This book considers the way that Israeli writers from eastern Europe or of eastern European descent incorporate pre-Holocaust eastern European culture into their own sense of Israeliness or Jewishness.

**Building A City: Writing on Agnon’s Buczacz in Memory of Alan Mintz**  
*Sheila E. Jelen, Jeffrey Saks, and Wendy Zierler, coeditors*  
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The fiction of Nobel Laureate Shmuel Yosef Agnon is the foundation of the array of scholarly essays as seen through the career of Alan Mintz, visionary scholar and professor of Jewish literature at the Jewish Theological Seminary.

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*Yuval Jobani*  
Oxford University Press  
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**Meant to Be and Other Stories** by *Shira Gorshman*  
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Gorshman’s stories follow the trajectory of twentieth-century Jewish life in eastern Europe: from the Lithuanian shtetl to the Russian Revolution, through the kibbutz and collective farms, to central Asia during wartime and back to mid-century Soviet life.
Rain of Ash: Roma, Jews, and the Holocaust
Ari Joskowicz
Princeton University Press
A major new history of the genocide of Roma and Jews during World War II and their entangled quest for historical justice.

Between Two Worlds: Jewish War Brides After the Holocaust
Robin Judd
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In this volume, leading thinkers reflect on human vulnerability in the face of forces of nature, examine conceptions of our place in cosmology, and grapple with environmental destruction.

Miriam Karpilove: A Provincial Newspaper and Other Stories

Jessica Kirzane, translator
Syracuse University Press

This collection displays the broad range of Karpilove’s sharp and unsparing pen: including a satirical novel about the Yiddish newsroom, a memoir about Karpilove’s time in Palestine, and nineteen short stories from the Forverts in the 1930s.

Home after Fascism: Italian and German Jews after the Holocaust

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Between Two Homelands: Argentine Migration to and from Israel
Adrián Krupnik
University of Alabama Press
This book addresses Jewish migration to and from Israel, exploring little-known aspects of Israel-Diaspora relations, including considering return migration an organic component of the migration cycle.

Responsa in a Historical Context: A View of Post-Expulsion Spanish-Portuguese Jewish Communities through Sixteenth- and Seventeenth-Century Responsa
Debby Koren
Academic Studies Press
This book offers eight annotated translations of responsa, alongside the original Hebrew texts, focusing on the post-expulsion Spanish-Portuguese communities of the sixteenth to seventeenth centuries.

Female Bodies and Female Practitioners: Gynaecology, Women’s Bodies, and Expertise in the Ancient to Medieval Mediterranean and Middle East
Lennart Lehmhaus
Mohr Siebeck
This volume studies concepts of women’s bodies and (female) medical expertise across Ancient Mesopotamian, Egyptian, Greco-Roman, Persian, Byzantine, Early Christian, Jewish-Talmudic, and Syriac traditions.

Our Palestine Question: Israel and American Jewish Dissent, 1948-1978
Geoffrey Levin
Yale University Press
A new history of the American Jewish relationship with Israel focused on its most urgent and sensitive issue: the question of Palestinian rights.
Arthur and Lilly: The Girl and the Holocaust-Survivor
Lilly Maier
Dominique Rotermund, translator
Titeltown Publishing
This is the biography of Holocaust-survivor Arthur Kern who grew up in the same apartment in Vienna, Austria, as the author of the book.

Yiddish Lives On: Strategies of Language Transmission
Rebecca E. Margolis
McGill-Queen’s University Press
This book tells stories of communities that have resisted the decline of Yiddish over a period of seventy years, spotlighting strategies that facilitate continuity through family transmission, theater, activism, publishing, song, cinema, and other media.

#UsToo: How Jewish, Muslim, and Christian Women Changed Our Communities
Keren R. McGinity
Routledge
This book examines the relationship between sexual harassment, gender, and multiple religions. Using a three-dimensional, ethnoreligious approach, the study unveils historical and present-day sexual misconduct within faith communities.

The Way of Humanity: According to Chasidic Teaching, by Martin Buber
Bernard H. Mehlman and Gabriel E. Padawer, translators
CCAR Press
The teachings within the book highlight the subversion and innovation of the early Chasidic masters of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, while providing meaningful spiritual guidance and insight for any seeker today.
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