Hebrew and Jewish Studies Unit

THE DAVID PATTERSON SEMINARS

(REVISED 29.3.11)

Week 1: 4 May

Professor Gerald Blidstein (Ben-Gurion University)

Rabbinic Authority and Popular Consensus

Week 2: 11 May

Professor Siegbert Prawer (The Queen's College)

Moyshe Kulbak's Byronic Pilgrimage: The Creation of a Yiddish Masterpiece

Week 3: 18 May

Dr Diana Lipton

(King's College London)

Time heals and sleep's the best remedy: Testing platitudes with Noah the

ark-builder and Honi the circle-drawer

Week 4: 25 May

Dr Deborah Rooke (Regent's Park College)

Between London and Amsterdam: Handel's Esther as 18th century Purimspiel

Week 5: 1 June

Professor Marina Rustow

(Johns Hopkins University/OCHJS)

The Iberian Jewish model of the 'royal alliance' as seen from the Cairo Geniza

Week 6: 8 June

NO LECTURE THIS WEEK

Week 7: 15 June

Professor Shamma Friedman

(Schechter Institute, Jerusalem/OCHJS)

Maimonides' First Draft of the Mishne Torah: the Bodleian Quire

Week 8: 22 June

Professor Benny Morris

(Ben-Gurion University/OCHJS)

Two Genocides, Shared Characteristics and Differences

The Seminars are held at the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies Yarnton Manor, Yarnton, Oxford OX5 1PY (Tel. 01865 377946) Wednesdays at 8pm

Light buffet from 7pm

All are welcome

THE OCHJS MINIBUS WILL DEPART FROM THE PLAYHOUSE, BEAUMONT STREET AT 6.30PM AND 7.30PM AND LEAVE YARNTON MANOR AT 9.30PM. SINGLE FARE £2.10 (STUDENTS MAY TRAVEL FREE ON PRODUCTION OF THEIR UNIVERSITY CARD).