

## JTS . . . Exciting News

We're starting the new year and kicking off the new decade with exciting news.

### Exciting Celebration

#### [The Teachers Institute Celebrates 100 Years](#)

"The Teachers Institute (TI) was established in response to the problem of Jewish assimilation in America . . . By providing a model of an inclusive and integrated Jewish community, it suggested solutions to many of the ongoing challenges of American Jewish life."

—David Kaufman, "Jewish Education as a Civilization,"  
*Tradition Renewed: A History of The Jewish Theological Seminary.*

On Sunday March 7, The Jewish Theological Seminary invites all alumni and friends to celebrate the legacies of the [Teachers Institute](#) in a daylong symposium, "[Transforming American Jewish Life: A Celebration of the Teachers Institute's 100th Anniversary.](#)" JTS faculty and friends will lead sessions celebrating and honoring such legacies as Camp Ramah, the Hebraist culture, and the American Jewish counterculture. The day will begin with a breakfast for Double Degree alumnae and their families to celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of the [Double Degree Program with Barnard College](#); will continue by honoring Sylvia Ettenberg (TI '37), the first female senior administrator at JTS and dean of the TI, during lunch; and conclude with a keynote address from Rabbi Harold Kushner (SC '55; RS '60, '72). [RSVP for all or part of this day](#), which is completely free to all alumni and guests.

### Exciting Outreach

Please participate in *JTS Reflects*, a compilation of alumni reflections on their TI experiences. Please share your nostalgia, send pictures, write about your favorite professors, and help generate that TI *ruah* on Sunday, March 7.

Pictures can be sent to: JTS, Wohl Office of Alumni Affairs, 3080 Broadway, New York, NY 10027.

Written submissions can be emailed to the [Wohl Office of Alumni Affairs](#).

### Exciting Open House

## List College Open House—Sunday, April 18

High school juniors are invited to our Junior Open House to learn more about List College, Columbia University, and Barnard College. Prospective students and their parents will have the opportunity to attend a class with a distinguished List College professor, tour Columbia and Barnard, have lunch with the admissions directors, and sit in on an administrators' panel. **For more information, visit [www.jtsa.edu/list](http://www.jtsa.edu/list) or contact [Missy Present, director of Admissions](#), at (212) 678-8832.**



## Exciting News! Full Tuition to The Davidson School

[The William Davidson School Graduate School of Jewish Education](#) seeks master's degree applicants who have begun or are in the middle of their careers as Jewish educators and wish to strengthen and refine themselves as learners, teachers, leaders, inquirers, and religiously knowledgeable Jews.

**Exceptional master's degree applicants who have been accepted to The Davidson School for fall 2010 [will receive full-tuition fellowships](#), thanks to the [\\$3.7 million grant given to JTS by The Jim Joseph Foundation](#) in September 2009.**

The master of arts curriculum provides students with a strong foundation in Judaica and education, in addition to fostering religious development and personal growth. The Davidson School offers full-time, part-time, and distance learning MA programs in Jewish Education with opportunities for electives in day school education, synagogue school administration, and informal and community education. Through the JTS consortium with Teachers College, Columbia University, there are opportunities to study early childhood education, special education, and arts education.

The application deadline is May 1, 2010, and all applicants will be automatically considered for the fellowships. **For more information, please visit our [website](#) or contact [Abby Eisenberg, director of Admissions](#), at (212) 678-8022. [View the application and its requirements](#).**

## Exciting News for Teens—JTS in the Summer for High School Students

This summer, USY and [List College](#) are proud to once again offer [USY's wonderful Summer in the City program](#). For one month, participants can experience the best of all that New York City has to offer, both academically and culturally. Learn from top instructors at The Jewish Theological Seminary, Barnard College, and Columbia University; explore the rich culture and history of New York City during evenings and weekends; and experience Jewish New York in a



program supervised by USY. The Summer in the City precollege program promises an exciting, unforgettable summer! [Request more information.](#)

### [\*\*Donate or Volunteer Through JTS to Help Haiti\*\*](#)

The Jewish Theological Seminary is a longtime partner of the Jewish Coalition for Disaster Relief (JCDR), an alliance of U.S. and foreign Jewish agencies that provides a united response to humanitarian disasters. To respond to the earthquake that has devastated Haiti, JCDR has formed a special coordinating group—the Jewish Coalition for Haiti Relief—which comprises twenty JCDR member organizations and is committed to supporting the recovery from this massive humanitarian crisis. [Support this effort today.](#)

If you live in New York City and want to get involved, [JTS Student Life](#) suggests the [Afya Foundation](#), which needs volunteers to help pack medical supplies for shipment to Haiti. If you would like to volunteer by yourself, you can contact Afya directly at (914) 338-7034. If you would like to volunteer in a group with other members of the JTS community, please contact [Ruth Decalo, director of Student Life](#). Afya needs volunteer help on weekdays—anytime from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.—and sometimes accepts



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