

Join the Wayne State Cohn-Haddow Center
for Judaic Studies and University Library
System for the opening of the new exhibit

Judaism in the American Home

April 14, 2013

2 p.m.

Community Room (Room 3210)

David Adamany Undergraduate Library

Wayne State University

Opening remarks by Professor Ori Soltes, Georgetown University, and Mrs. Constance Harris, donor
of the Jewish Heritage Collection at the Special Collections Library of the University of Michigan

Reception to follow; dietary laws will be observed



Judaism in the American Home includes ritual objects, kitchen items, children's toys and souvenirs from the vast Jewish Heritage Collection donated by Mrs. Constance Harris, a resident of Birmingham, to the Special Collections Library of the University of Michigan. Taken together, the objects provide a remarkable insight into the rich religious and cultural life of American Jews over the past century. The exhibit will run from April 14 through May 12 in the Special Collections Room (Room 3220) of the David Adamany Undergraduate Library at Wayne State University. The hours are Sunday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Sunday, April 14, there will be an opening ceremony featuring remarks by Mrs. Harris and a lecture entitled "Ceremony and Community Within the Question of 'Jewish Art'" by Professor Ori Soltes of Georgetown University. Using objects from the exhibit as illustrations, the lecture will examine the question of how one defines Jewish art by discussing the purpose of ceremonial art and its relationship to non-ritual "tchotchkes," i.e., objects of Jewish popular culture.

If you plan to attend the opening, please RSVP to Ruth Stern at (313)577-2679 by April 11 as seating is limited.



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