

2018-2019 OLAM LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Leadership Program Goals:

- Enhance your leadership, interpersonal and communication skills.
- Meet community leaders.
- Learn about our local and the national American Jewish community, including demographics, structure, needs, challenges and history.
- Find out how the community supports those in need in Miami, Israel and around the world.
- Get involved!

Program Basics:

Locations: Sessions will be held at various locations. Refer to program outline for location of individual sessions. Most sessions will be held at either the Federation or the Michael-Ann Russell JCC.

- Greater Miami Jewish Federation, 4200 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, FL 33137
- Michael-Ann Russell JCC, 18900 NE 25th Ave., Miami, FL 33180

Time: 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. All sessions include dinner (dietary laws observed).

Cost: \$180 per participant or \$250 per couple. The program is heavily subsidized by the Federation.

Application Due: December 26, 2018

Application Form: <https://form.jotform.com/hrdgmjf/olam1819>

Program Outline by Session

Session I: Thursday, January 10, 2019, Michael-Ann Russell JCC

The Call to Leadership

Speaker: Izzy Ezagui, Writer of Disarmed, One-Arm Sharp Shooter, IDF

Overview and framing of the program.

Learn about leadership from Izzy Ezagui, the world's only one-armed special forces sharpshooter.

Reflect on yourself and your leadership style:

- Evaluate the values that shape your worldview
- Review your leadership style and strengths

Session II: Wednesday, January 16, 2019, Temple Beth Sholom, 4144 Chase Ave, Miami Beach

**Anti-Israel Activity and BDS Campaign to Delegitimize Israel
(Communitywide program—in addition to our private sessions)**

Main speaker: Gidi Grinstein, President, Reut Institute, a non-partisan, non-profit strategy group that focuses on issues related to Israel and the Jewish world

Learn about the latest trends in the BDS movement and how to combat the threat through advocacy and education.

This session will be organized in conjunction with Federation's Jewish Community Relations Council and the Anti-Defamation League. It will include a keynote address and various breakout sessions.

Session III: Tuesday, February 5, 2019, Michael-Ann Russell JCC

About our Jewish Community and Jews around the World: How we come together to support each other

Speakers: Dahlia Bendavid, Director of Israel and Overseas for Federation and Maayan Blum, Director of Community Planning for Federation

Learn about our local Jewish community and Jews in Israel and around the world. What are the needs? How do we come together to support each other. Learn about the organizations funded by Federation and how the dollars are allocated.

Session IV: Monday, March 4, 2019, Federation Building

Communications—Learn to tell a compelling story that moves others to Action

Speaker: Rosh Lowe, MicDrop, Reporter and Child Actor

Enhance your presentation, storytelling and communication skills. Learn to craft your narrative; tell the story of self, us and now—in a way that inspires action in others.

Session V: Monday, April 8, 2019, Michael-Ann Russell JCC

Anti-Semitism in America and Leadership

Speaker: TBD

Learn about anti-Semitism in American. What are the trends? How is it evolving?

Speaker: Mark Young, Managing Director, Leadership Commons, The Williams Davidson School of Jewish Theological Seminary

What are the characteristics and behaviors of today's leaders? Leadership is evolving as are the skills needed to succeed.

Session VI: Wednesday, May 13, 2019, Federation Building
Mosaic: Celebrating Jewish Diversity in Miami and Close of Program

Speaker: Jacob Solomon, President and CEO, Greater Miami Jewish Federation

More than 123,000 Jews now live in Miami-Dade County, making Miami the eleventh largest Jewish community in the U.S. Miami's Jewish population has become increasingly diverse, with 33 percent of adults being foreign-born, the highest percentage of any American Jewish community. What's more, we have strong, sizable populations that associate with each of the denominations.

Our diversity is our strength. Find out more about our community and how we strive to stay relevant and connected to all.

This session is also our program close, where we will reflect on our learning and our individual next steps.

Greater Miami Jewish Federation**2018-2019 Israeli-American Leadership Program****KEY SPEAKERS****Dahlia Bendavid, Director of Israel and Overseas, Greater Miami Jewish Federation**

Dahlia Bendavid is the Director of the Israel and Overseas department at the Greater Miami Jewish Federation. She directs the Israel and Overseas Committee, a standing committee that is committed to engaged global justice through philanthropy. In this role, Dahlia develops and oversees all aspects of Miami's international partnerships including the allocation of approximately \$8 million dollars to overseas recipients.

Dahlia has extensive work experience in nonprofit management. She worked at UNICEF in the private sector fundraising department, and as a development officer at AVSC International, a women's health nonprofit organization. She holds a master's degree in industrial labor relations/human resource management from Cornell University/Baruch College, CUNY.

Maayan Blum, Director of Community Planning, Greater Miami Jewish Federation

Since moving to Miami from Jerusalem in 2000, Maayan has been passionate about working in the non-profit sector. As the Director of Community Planning at the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, she manages the relationships, oversight process and allocation of funds with Federation's local partner agencies, day schools and synagogues. Additionally she oversees Federation's inclusion and engagement programs, as well as the Jewish Volunteer Center and Hebrew Free Loan Association of South Florida, a Federation subsidiary.

Prior to entering the Jewish Communal field, Maayan directed the Miami Quality Management Department of Children's Home Society of FL, a statewide non-profit child welfare agency dedicated to transforming the lives of children in foster care and breaking the cycle of abuse and neglect.

She earned her MBA from the University of Miami, and holds a bachelor's degree from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Maayan is proud to have served in the Israel Defense Forces as a chief airborne medic instructor in the Air Force medical unit. She lives with her husband and two sons in Miami Shores.

Gidi Grinstein, President, Reut Institute



Gidi Grinstein is the Founder and President of Reut. Gidi has been involved for many years in public policy and political affairs in Israel. Gidi played an important role in designing the Birthright Israel Program between 1995 and 1999, when he established and led the Israeli team that transformed the original vision into a model that is now the largest and most successful project in the Jewish World.

From 1999-2001, Gidi served as the Secretary of the Israeli delegation to the Peace Negotiations with the PLO under Prime Minister Ehud Barak. He participated in the 2000 Camp David Summit and in the negotiations on the Clinton Ideas.

Gidi's first book *Flexigidity: The Invisible Hand of Jewish Adaptability* was published in 2013.

Youtube Flexigility https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_7IgpylIUss

Rosh Lowe, MicDrop, Reporter and Child Actor



Rosh Lowe has starred in numerous Broadway shows, starting at a young age. His decades-long experience in the theater taught him the secrets of connecting with an audience and performance skills that not many other "experts" have access to.

Rosh has been a television news reporter for Fox in Miami for the past fifteen years. His job involves speaking to an audience of tens of thousands every day.

<https://www.roshlowe.com>

Jacob Solomon, President and CEO, Greater Miami Jewish Federation



Jacob Solomon is the CEO and President of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation. He began his affiliation with the Miami Federation in 1981. Prior to his appointment as Federation's chief executive officer, Jacob served in a variety of positions including Director of Planning and Budgeting and Assistant Executive Vice President overseeing the annual Federation-United Jewish Appeal Campaign.

Before coming to the Miami Federation, Jacob trained at the Jewish Federations in New York and Philadelphia, while a student at Yeshiva University's Wurzweiler School of Social Work, where he received his master's degree. He also holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in Oriental Studies from the University of Pennsylvania.

Mark Young, Managing Director, Leadership Commons, The Williams Davidson School of Jewish Theological Seminary



Mark S. Young is passionate about advancing effective educational leadership in Jewish life. As managing director of the Leadership Commons, Mark builds relationships with community foundations, federations, and practitioners across the continent to make the Leadership Commons a space where “thinkers, doers, and visionaries” from all corners of Jewish education come together to learn, create, and collaborate for the common good of the Jewish people in North America.

Mark previously served as The Davidson School’s director of Alumni Engagement, launching new initiatives to benefit its 1,000 alumni, including the school’s recent 20th anniversary alumni celebration. Mark also served as program coordinator of the school’s Experiential Learning Initiative, launching the Jewish Experiential Leadership Institute (JELI) for JCC professionals and advancing experiential learning within the school’s MA program.

Mark holds an MPA in Nonprofit Management and an MA in Hebrew and Judaic Studies from NYU as well as a BS in Psychology and Economics from McGill University.