

Eastern Michigan University Jewish Studies Welcomes **HAIM O. RECHNITZER**

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“PROPHECY, ECSTASY, AND THE KABBALAH”

7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

**Tower Room, McKenny Hall,
Eastern Michigan University**

FREE

Trainees of the Prophetic/Ecstatic Kabbalah School, which started in 13th century Spain, were said to reach a supreme spiritual level, comparable to that of a prophet or the Supra-Philosopher, gaining access to the upper spheres of existence and to the realm of the Divine. Haim O. Rechnitzer will discuss the tension between magical practice and the mystical quest for these seekers of knowledge.

RABBI DR. HAIM O. RECHNITZER’S RECENT BOOKS ARE:

- *Prophecy and the Perfect Political Order: The Political Theology of Leo Strauss* (The Bialik Institute 2012) .
- *Songs of the Third Exile* (Carmel Publishing House, 2004).

His forthcoming book, *Shibboleth* (Whirlpool), is a composition of poem-cycles, each dedicated to a different theological question, such as: the relation between language and existence, the Land of Israel, sacred time, and the “return” to the Garden of Eden.

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