

The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
in cooperation with American Jewish Committee, Cincinnati Chapter,
presents

An Evening with Dr. Susannah Heschel Professor, Jewish Studies, Dartmouth College

The Spiritual Audacity of My Father, Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel



In 1965, Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel walked with the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. in the Selma-to-Montgomery civil rights march.

Introductions

Dr. Gary P. Zola, Executive Director,
The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the
American Jewish Archives

Following Professor Heschel's remarks, the respondents will offer their perspectives on Rabbi Heschel's important legacy.

Respondents

Sherrod Brown, United States Senator for Ohio

Rabbi David Ellenson, President,
Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

Bishop E. Lynn Brown, Prelate of the
Second Episcopal District of the Christian
Methodist Episcopal Church

Wednesday, September 3, 2008 • 7–9 p.m.
3101 Clifton Avenue • Cincinnati, Ohio

The Jewish Foundation of Cincinnati International Learning Center
at the Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
on the campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

FREE and open to the public. Seating is limited.
Tickets and reservations required.

RSVP: KC Clarke at (513) 487-3000 or e-mail kclarke@huc.edu
Refreshments to follow



Susannah Heschel

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, born in Poland in 1907, studied at the University of Berlin and taught Jewish studies in Germany until he was deported by the Nazis in 1938. Rescued and brought to the U.S. by Cincinnati's Hebrew Union College, Heschel taught there—and later at the Jewish Theological Seminary. A mystic who focused on the holiness of life, Heschel worked to identify a modern philosophy of religion based on ancient and medieval Judaic traditions, with an emphasis on Judaism's prophetic and mystical aspects. Emphasizing social action as an expression of pious ethical concerns, he played a significant role in the civil rights movement and in Christian-Jewish dialogue.

Susannah Heschel holds the Eli Black Chair in Jewish Studies in the Department of Religion at Dartmouth College. She received her Ph.D. in Religious Studies from the University of Pennsylvania in 1989, and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Colorado College in 2005. Her scholarship focuses on Jewish-Christian relations in Germany during the 19th and 20th centuries, and her numerous publications include a prize-winning monograph, *Abraham Geiger and the Jewish Jesus* (University of Chicago Press), which won a National Jewish Book Award, and a forthcoming book, *The Aryan Jesus: Christian Theologians and the Bible in Nazi Germany* (Princeton University Press).



American
Jewish
Committee