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NEWSLETTER - August 2015

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Announcement

New website

Our [new AEJM website](#) has officially launched this summer! We are very pleased to reveal our new website with a fresh look and updated information about AEJM activities and [members](#).

Whats new?

AEJM members are invited to sign up for an account. This gives you access to downloads, colleagues and the possibility to add specific items to the [newsroom](#) and [exhibition calendar](#). You can also submit [curatorial projects](#) or [educational projects](#) for exchange. Curators and educators can join the special forum to exchange questions, case studies or challenges.

We hope you will enjoy our new website! All comments, feedback and questions are welcome. For more information, please contact the AEJM Community Manager (ardjuna.candotti@aejm.org).

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News

Change of directors

The [Jewish Museum in Stockholm](#) announced that museum director Yvonne Jacobsson will retire and that Christina Gamstorp will start her work as the new director of the museum from August 17th. Gamstorp was formerly projectmanager at Living History Forum. Jacobsson was a member of the AEJM Board from 2007-2009 and received the Swedish Kings' award in 2013 for her contribution to Jewish Heritage in Sweden.

Photos: Yvonne Jacobsson (on top) and Christina

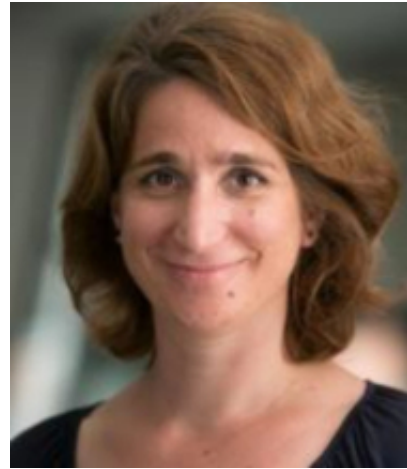


Gamstorp (photographer: Natanael Johansson)

News

Reconstructed Maisel Synagogue opens

The [Maisel Synagogue reopened](#) after a year of renovation with a new permanent exhibition *Jews in the Bohemian lands, 10th-18th century*. Particularly worthy of note is the several-minute virtual tour *Flight Over the Prague Jewish Town* based on Langweil's famous model of Prague. The [Jewish Museum in Prague](#) - which includes the synagogue in its tour route - carried out the preservation and restoration work and preparations for the exhibition.



Mirjam Wenzel

Mirjam Wenzel is recently appointed to be the new director of the Jewish Museum in Frankfurt am Main. Wenzel is currently Head of the Media Department at the Jewish Museum Berlin and will start as a director in Frankfurt from the 1st of January 2016. One of the first tasks for Wenzel is the [renovation and extension of the Jewish Museum and Museum Judengasse](#). Raphael Gross, incumbent director of the Jewish Museum in Frankfurt and Fritz-Bauer Institut in London, is now professor of Jewish history and culture at the University of Leipzig and director of the Leipzig Simon Dubnow Institute of Jewish History and Culture.



News

National Shoah Museum for the Netherlands

The Netherlands will open a [Dutch National Shoah Museum](#) in two historic buildings on Amsterdam's Plantage Middenlaan. The museum is an initiative of the Jewish Historical Museum Amsterdam.

Update

14-17 (18) November 2015

Annual Conference

You can now [register online](#) for the AEJM Annual Conference at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem.

Check the website for updated



Anne Esther Boukris

Anne Esther Boukris will be the new director of the Jewish Museum in Oslo from the 1st of January 2016. Boukris was employed as a researcher at Roskilde University Center, has taught at the University of Copenhagen in, amongst other things, Contemporary Jewish identity, and for 12 years she headed the Jewish Film Festival in Copenhagen. She is specialized in audience development and intercultural strategies in cultural life. The incumbent director Sidsel Levin, who together with her team organized the AEJM Museum Education Seminar last year, is currently involved in several projects for 2015-2016, among them the stolpersteins laying in Norway, the visit by *The State Jewish Theatre of Bucharest* that will perform the play [Der yidisher King Lear](#) and the travelling exhibition [Wergeland's legacy: Jewish life in Norway, 1851 – 1945](#) – developed in cooperation with the City Museum and the Jewish community in Brno.

information about the [programme](#), [travel grants](#) (deadline September 15th), [accommodation offers](#) and call for proposals (deadline October 1st).

Last call for applications

Deadline: 1 September 2015

Grant Programme

AEJM member institutions are invited to apply for the [Advisory Visits Grant Programme](#) (AVGP) before 1 September. The AVGP offers custom-made consultancy visits by museum experts to AEJM members in need of expert advice and training. Applications are welcome in three categories: Collection Management, [Museum Education](#), and Permanent Displays. Contact the AEJM Project Manager Eva Koppen for more information (aejm@aejm.org).



Announcement News & Exhibitions



Emile Schrijver

The Board of Trustees of the [Jewish Historical Museum](#) in Amsterdam has appointed Emile Schrijver as general director. Schrijver is currently curator of the Bibliotheca Rosenthaliana (Special Collections) and Professor of Jewish Book History at the University of Amsterdam. He is also chairman of the Crescas Jewish Educational Centre and one of the curators of the Braginsky Collection in Zurich. He will take up the post of general director on 1 October 2015. The incumbent general director, Joel Cahen, has reached pensionable age. He will remain involved in the development of the [National Shoah Museum](#).

Upcoming AEJM Events

30 August – 3 September
[Advanced Curatorial Education
Programme](#)

For more news check the [News Room](#) and [Exhibitions Calendar](#).

The new AEJM website has a special feature for automatically updating specific news items from across the continent. We would like to hear the topics that matter to you. If you want to share new projects, exhibitions or other events, don't hesitate to contact us!

Budapest

11 – 15 October

[Museum Education Seminar](#)

Vienna

14-17(18) November

[Annual Conference](#)

Jerusalem