A TAPESTRY OF TENDER HEARTS

FINDING STRENGTH IN COMMUNITY

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CHOCHMAT HALEV PROGRAMMING GUIDE 2026-2027 5787





Save The Date:

CHOCHMAT HALEV SPRING RETREAT

MAY 7-9, 2027

Join us for our second annual overnight getaway – a whole weekend of Chochmat magic at beautiful Camp Newman in Santa Rosa

- Soul-stirring Shabbat services surrounded by nature
- A late-night mystical tisch and Havdallah under the stars
- Jewish workshops to nourish heart, mind, and spirit
- Campfires, s'mores, songs & skits
- Adventures for kids of all ages
- Dance the night away!
- Special Mother's Day program



How participants described last year's experience:

"Super fun, super meaningful, an amazing opportunity to really connect with community."

"Unmissable!"





A Message from Our Spiritual Leader

GO DEEPER WITH CHOCHMAT HALEV

Dear Chochmat HaLev community,

We are living through a time of profound uncertainty and overwhelm. Many of us are carrying more than any one heart was built to hold. But Jewish tradition reminds us that we do not have to do it alone. As we pray for in the Rosh Hashanah Musaf: ***וְיֵעָשׂוּ כֻלָּם אֲגֻדָּה אֶחָת ... בְּלֵבָב שָׁלֵם – We are one community, with a whole heart.***

The word for community in this prayer, *agudah*, refers to a tapestry of distinct strands that become stronger through their connection to one another. The ancient rabbis teach in the Midrash that the strongest community is like the bundle (*agudah*) of four spices we gather on Sukkot; they compare each to a vital organ in the communal body.

Look around this community and you will find all four. There are people among us who are our **eyes** (like the myrtle leaves) — who notice who walked in alone, who is quietly falling apart behind a lovely smile. People who are our **mouths** (like the willow leaves) — who sing us open on a Friday night, who make the phone call to those in need. People who are our **hearts** (like the etrog) — who sit with the grieving, who stay past the awkward silence. And people who are our **spines** (like the lulav) — who set up the chairs, run the committee, and hold this precious community upright.

This programming guide is an invitation to practice that kind of interweaving throughout the year. Come pray and sing with us. Learn something that opens a new doorway in your spiritual life. Sit around a table with people you don't yet know. Fill your kids with joy. Join a small group that feels like family. Show up for someone who needs care. Volunteer, dance, study, meditate, celebrate, grieve, eat, laugh, and linger.

At Chochmat HaLev, community is core to our spiritual practice. Every time we allow ourselves to be known, every time we reach toward someone else, another thread is woven into the tapestry of tender hearts. We're in this together.

With love and gratitude,

Rabbi Zvika Krieger

Spiritual Leader, Chochmat HaLev

HIGH HOLY DAYS

ROSH HASHANAH

Erev Rosh Hashanah Services

Friday, Sept. 11, 7-9pm
@ First Presbyterian

9-10:30pm: Our beloved social and vibey tea lounge in the back courtyard: hang out, set intentions for the new year, and enjoy meeting new people.

Rosh Hashanah Day 1 Services

Saturday, Sept. 12, 10-1:30pm
@ First Presbyterian

2:00-5pm: Rosh Hashanah Picnic
NEW LOCATION: Willard Park
Grab lunch at the nearby Whole Foods, come for the company and stay for the celebration, just a 10-minute walk from services.

Rosh Hashanah Day 2 Services

Sunday, Sept. 13, 10am-2pm
@ Chochmat HaLev
2215 Prince Street, Berkeley

10am: Torah Study: the Binding of Isaac
11 am: Contemplative Prayer Service
Led by Janet Falk and Jeffrey Kessler, with a *drash* (teaching) by Rabbi Rishe Groner, followed by a special shofar service.
1pm: Potluck Kiddush Lunch

DAYS OF AWE

Tashlich Ritual

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 6:30pm @ Berkeley Marina

Join Rabbi Rishe for Tashlich, an embodied ritual of transformation and letting go. Tashlich, meaning "to send away," invites us to release regrets, missteps, and missed expectations from the past year. By the water, we'll meditate, sing, chant, invoke the 13 Attributes of Divine Mercy, and gather in community. We'll shake it off—physically and spiritually—as the sun sets, making space for renewal and a fresh start.

Shabbat Shuvah Dinners

Friday, Sept. 18 @ Chochmat neighborhood homes

This year, we're creating Shabbat dinners by ZIP code, bringing together neighbors in your modern-day shtetl.
Whether this is your first time at Chochmat or you're a longtime member, come and meet the people who live near you! Scan the QR code and sign up by Sunday, Sept. 13.

YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidrei & Erev Yom Kippur Services

Sunday, Sept. 20, 6:30-9pm
@First Presbyterian

Yom Kippur Day

Monday, Sept. 21
@ First Presbyterian

10am-12:30pm: Contemplative Shacharit Service
12:30-2:30pm: Interactive Torah Service

3:15-4:15pm: Afternoon Workshops

- *Death Cafe – Sharing from the Heart* with Lori Goldwyn, Michelle Rybka, and Nicky Silver
- *Art as Midrash: Create, Reflect, Release* with Adam Gutride
- *Israel-Palestine: Repairing the breach/ Restoring the Paths,* with R' SaraLeya Schley
- *Transformation through Love: Yom Kippur as a vehicle for growth and change* with Rabbi Rishe Groner
- *Contemplative Nature Walk* with Wilderness Torah

5:00-6:15pm: Yizkor Memorial Service
6:30-8:15pm: Neilah Concluding Service, Shofar Blasts, and Courtyard Havdalah Celebration
8:15-9:30pm: Hal Feiger Memorial Break-Fast

JEWISH HOLIDAYS ALL YEAR

Save the Date!

- **Fri. Dec. 4, 2026:** Community Hanukkah menorah lighting before Kabbalat Shabbat + latke party/oneg afterwards
- **Fri. Jan. 22, 2027:** Tu'Bshvat Seder
- **Tues. March 23, 2027:** Intergenerational Purim Party!
- **April 2027:** Passover celebrations
- **Fri. June 11, 2027:** Shavuot All-Night Mystical Experience with LABA Bay: Laboratory for Jewish Arts and Culture

Add Chochmat to your Google Calendar with one click

Join Our HeartSpace WhatsApp Group to connect with community!

SUKKOT

NA'ANUIM: Sukkot Shake-Up-Down and All-Around: An Intergenerational Sukkot Experience for All Ages

Sunday, Sept. 27, 11am

Gather with us for a joyful, musical, and hands-on Sukkot celebration for the whole community—led by Rabbi Rishe! We'll welcome the holiday with an energetic ritual and musical service, exploring the meaning and symbolism of the four kinds—the lulav, etrog, hadas, and arava—and bringing to life the ancient tradition of shaking them up, down, and all around.

After the service, we'll gather in the sukkah for *kiddush* lunch, with optional opportunities for Jewish learning and a creative sukkah building challenge for kids.

Tishrei Tea Time with Rabbi Zvika

Tuesday, Sept. 29, 5-6pm

Join Rabbi Zvika in our beautiful sukkah for an intimate chat. Ask questions about Chochmat, debrief the High Holy Days, explore our approach to Jewish spirituality, and connect with others in a relaxed setting.

Open Sukkah Time!

Sept. 28–Oct. 2, 11am–2pm daily

We have a beautiful sukkah, and it's here for you! Come enjoy it anytime Monday through Friday from 11am–2pm. Come on your own, bring a friend, or gather with a small group. Bring some food or just enjoy some nourishing sukkah time!

Nighttime Sukkah Lounge

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 7pm-Late

Wine, tea, gentle connection, and chillaxing. Come take it easy in the sukkah with Community Weaver Brittany Berman —meet new people, catch up with friends, laugh, linger, and enjoy a cozy community hang under the stars.

SIMCHAT TORAH: REMIXED

Saturday, Oct. 3, 5:30-10:30pm @ Chochmat HaLev

We'll start the night with a kids' program and pizza party with our Latin-Jewish friends from **Olamim** and their beautifully illustrated Torah from Venice—with Spanish and Hebrew text! We'll then move into a soulful Maariv prayer service, an interactive ritual of completing the annual Torah cycle led by **Rabbi Rishe** and **Kohenet Elana Brody**. Then join us for a wild mystical dance party inspired by the seven lower sephirot (Divine emanations) with special guest **Yosef Rosen (DJ Bambi)** and more!

EVERY WEEK AT CHOCHMAT

FRIDAY NIGHTS

Kabbalat Shabbat (Welcoming Shabbat)

1st and 3rd Fridays of the month, 6pm

Our core spiritual offering! A mystical, embodied practice of prayer, singing, dancing, meditation, ancestral wisdom, and community. Stay afterward for our Oneg potluck and schmooze.

HeartSpace 8:30pm after services

An array of connective and engaging experiences to open your heart and mind.

SATURDAY MORNINGS

Shabbat Torah Service

2nd Saturday of the month, 10:30am

A heart-opening prayer service and Torah experience that mines the texts of our ancestral wisdom for modern meaning.

Contemplative Shabbat

4th Saturday of the month, 11am

An introspective, lay-led service with chanting, meditation, prayer, Torah teaching, and Mourner's Kaddish. Followed by a small Kiddush lunch.

COMMUNITY CIRCLES

Hosted by Community Weaver Brittany Berman, these weekly gatherings are an easy way to meet new people and discover ways to get plugged in at Chochmat. No registration—all welcome!

- 1st Tuesday of the month, 12-1:15pm, BYO Lunch @ Chochmat.
- 2nd Thursday, 6-7:30pm, Happy Hour @ Cellarmakers in Berkeley
- 3rd Monday, 6:00-7:15pm, Virtual Circle
- 4th Thursday, 8-9:00am Coffee & Tea @ Chochmat

WEEKLY CLASSES

Meditation Classes

Monday 7pm Online
(in-person class coming this November!)
Wednesday 8:15am Online

Explore Jewish contemplative practice with experienced teachers. All levels welcome, especially newcomers.

Torah Study

Saturday 9:30am, Online & In Person

Journey through Torah together! This lay-led group reads the weekly parsha in English and explores questions and reactions in a lively discussion.

FAMILIES + KIDS



We're a diverse, intergenerational community where families of all shapes and sizes can grow and thrive!

Reisheit HaLev

Beginnings of the Heart

A supportive, lay-led community for expecting parents and families with children from **newborn to age 3**, offering friendship, postpartum support, meal trains, and lots of opportunities to gather, socialize, and celebrate together. Contact babies@chochmat.org to connect

Torat HaLev

Path of the Heart

Led by Rabbi Rishe Groner and creative Jewish educators, our **K–5 program** offers a heart-centered space to explore Torah, Hebrew, and Jewish ritual. Meets October–May, one Shabbat morning and three Sundays per month.

Mitzvat HaLev

Connect to the Heart

Led by Kohenet Amanda Nube, our innovative B'Mitzvah program for **6th–7th graders** fosters lifelong Jewish learning through Hebrew, joyful prayer, ancient texts, and progressive values. Last chance to join our 2026–27 cohort beginning this October!

Sukkot Shake Up, Down, and All-Around

Sunday, Sept. 27, 11am

Join Rabbi Rishe for a joyful, musical Sukkot celebration for all generations! We'll sing, shake the lulav and etrog, explore the holiday, and enjoy kiddush lunch in the sukkah. Come learn, build, shake, and celebrate together!

Kids Room @ Friday Night Services

1st and 3rd Friday of the Month

Kids are always welcome to join our joyous singing and dancing, or enjoy our dedicated children's room with counselors, games, and enriching activities.

For more information visit our website at **chochmat.org/youthprograms**

Scan the QR code to join our Families WhatsApp Group for connection, events, and support!

SHABBAT DINNERS



Shabbat Shuvah Dinners

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Intergenerational Shabbat Dinners

Next Dinner: Dec. 11

Our most beloved offering! Join intergenerational Shabbat dinners in Chochmat homes. Share ritual, stories, and laughter while building community. New and longtime participants welcome!

Shabbat Dinner Cohorts for 'Young-ish' people

Join 8–10 young-ish people for monthly Shabbat dinners over four months, rotating hosts and cohosts. Build friendships, share good food, and create community around the Shabbat table. Stay Tuned for Round 2!

NEW MOON CIRCLES

Each group offers time for reflection, intention-setting, and uplifting rituals tied to the unique energies of the new Jewish month. Groups take place at Chochmat.

Women+ Rosh Chodesh Circle

Drop-in per class.
Upcoming Dates: Oct. 7, Nov. 1, Dec. 9, Jan. 13, Feb. 17, March 10

Kiddush Levana

For men and masc-identifying folks around a sacred fire. Drop-in per ritual.
Upcoming Dates: Oct. 18, Nov. 15, Dec. 13, Jan. 17, Feb. 14

NEW MEMBER RITUAL

Sunday, Oct. 11, 10-12pm

Led by Rabbi Zvika, step into your Jewish heart and home, set intentions for your journey, and connect with fellow new members.

DARCHEI HALEV: JOURNEYS OF THE HEART

A Two-Year Journey into Living Jewishly

You signed up for drivers' ed to learn how to drive. You went to college to learn about the world. But where do you learn **how to Jew?**

- How do I live a Jewish life beyond the walls of the synagogue?
- How can I feel a sense of agency and confidence in my Judaism?
- How can I make ordinary moments sacred?
- How do I align a full, busy life with Jewish rhythms?

For many, Chochmat HaLev opens the door to a resonant Judaism you've never experienced before. Maybe you've joined us for deep prayer, meditation, learning, spiritual experiences, and heart-opening connection with community—and now you want to dig deeper.



Your Personal Journey - in Community

Join our journey into the foundations of Jewish life, practice, and belonging. Together, we'll explore how Jewish traditions, rituals, prayers, stories, holidays, and wisdom can bring greater richness and meaning to everyday life. In small groups and community, we'll learn how to build a Jewish life that is embodied, heart-centered, grounded and alive.

The program includes:

- Bimonthly learning sessions with monthly spiritual and emotional integration groups
- Monthly hands-on ritual workshops
- An individualized capstone study or ritual project
- Opportunities for deep relationship-building with other seekers

For more information visit our website scan the QR Code

Choose Your Derech (Path)

Darchei HaLev can be the beginning or culmination of your Jewish journey. No prerequisites, Hebrew knowledge or Jewish background required—just curiosity, commitment, and a desire to live Jewishly.

You can join our one-year general learning track, **Jewish Foundations**, or if you are seeking a formal milestone, we offer a second year with dedicated *derachim* (pathways) towards:

- **Adult B'nai Mitzvah/Rite of Passage**
- **Conversion to Judaism**

Year One: Oct 2026 - June 2027
Year Two: Sept 2027 - May 2028

The program will meet weekly on Thursday evenings and on occasional (monthly) Sunday afternoons. There will be occasional breaks for holidays. A detailed calendar and schedule will be available soon.



MEET RABBI RISHE GRONER

Our new Rabbi/ Director of Learning and Transformation!

Rabbi Rishe Groner is a storyteller, ritual leader, and spiritual archeologist creating immersive experiences of mystical Jewish embodiment. Drawing on her Chabad Chasidic roots and experience in nightlife, festivals, and spiritual communities, she helps people explore personal growth through ancient Jewish wisdom and practice.

Her work spans prayer, movement, psychedelic chaplaincy, retreats, and Jewish institutions, with experiences across Israel and the U.S., from Burning Man to Limmud NY. Her writing has appeared in Lilith, Tablet, Hey Alma, and TheGene-Sis.com.

Rabbi Rishe was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary, where she earned a Master's in Jewish Thought and Mysticism, and most recently served as rabbi of Congregation Beth Ohr in Bellmore, Long Island.

As she recently told the Jewish News of Northern California: "I'm a Chabad-raised, Conservative-ordained, Renewal-adjacent, Shechinah-obsessed, embodied, post-Hasidic Jewish woman. It's... more than can fit on a name tag."

GO DEEPER 5787: *The Living Wisdom of Jewish Mysticism*

Venture into the hidden, visionary, and embodied world of Jewish mysticism by learning its fascinating history, core concepts, and transformational practices. Together, we'll bring ancient mystical teachings into intimate conversation with our lives today through study, meditation, chant, and immersive retreat. The journey unfolds over two mini-modules and two in-depth learning modules. Join for one or all:

Fall 2026-Spring 2027, Dates Coming Soon!
Module 1: Turning Within – Beginning the Mystical Journey (3 weeks)
Module 2: The Mystical Map – Cosmology & Core Concepts (6 weeks)
Module 3: Living Mysticism – Hasidism & Inner Transformation (6 weeks)
Module 4: Coming Home – Jewish Mysticism in Our Daily Lives (3 weeks)

Special Weeklong Immersive with Dr. Melila Hellner-Eshed: Entering the Magic and Mystery of Kabbalah
A rare opportunity to enter the luminous world of the Zohar with one of today's most gifted teachers of Jewish mystical wisdom.

ISRAEL-PALESTINE

We are committed to making room for the many stories and emotions within our community. We seek to soften polarities, engage across difference, learn together, expand our perspectives, and hold space for disagreement with courage and compassion.

Can We Talk About Israel? – Book Group

Beginning in October

Join us for a community exploration of Daniel Sokatch's *Can We Talk About Israel?* as we prepare for his conversation with Rabbi Zvika Krieger in early 2027.

Standing Together in dialogue with Rabbi Zvika

Sunday, November 15, 5–7pm

Join us for a special evening with Standing Together, a Jewish-Arab grassroots peace movement, in conversation with Rabbi Zvika Krieger.

Dialogue as Spiritual Practice

Quarterly facilitated dialogue cohorts creating space to listen, share, and practice staying in relationship across difference, led by members of our skilled team. (Dates TBA)

More information and registration details coming soon. Please contact Daniella Salzman at **programs@chochmat.org** with questions. We are grateful to be walking this path together.

IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES

Wilderness Torah Elder Shabbaton

November 6-7, 2026
Tilden Park & Chochmat Halev
Berkeley, CA

This immersive Shabbat experience will explore the elder journey through Jewish spirituality and connection with the natural world. We'll create space for ritual, learning, and community as we reflect on the wisdom of life's transitions.

Daylong Winter Meditation Retreat

Sunday, November 8, 2026

A soulful day of meditation, movement, teachings, and reflection. Rest, restore, and reconnect with your heart's wisdom as we enter Hanukkah. No experience needed. Led by Daniella Salzman and Adam Moskovitz.

Weekend-Long Community Retreat

May 7–9, 2027

Our annual Chochmat getaway! Celebrate Shabbat with soulful services, deep learning, campfires, singing, dancing, and community at Camp Newman in Santa Rosa.

The Queen's Table: An Evening of Mystical Delight

February, 2027

An evening of ecstasy and enchantment—our modern take on the Hasidic *Melaveh Malkah,* accompanying the Queen. Gather around a candlelit table for nigunim, libations, delicacies, and ancient wisdom from sacred teachers. A limited number of guests can join us for a pre-Tisch dinner and intimate conversation with our renowned teachers and fellow wisdom seekers.

Wise Aging Program Series

Spring 2027

What will your health, family, heart, and soul require in the future? Join us for a Jewish guide to aging wisely—a six-week journey of discovery, planning, and community.



AFFINITY GROUPS

Open to all members and non-members. Build relationships with the Chochmat community through volunteer-led initiatives around shared interests!



Community Art Project led by Ilyse Magy

Anti-Racism Mitzvah Project (AMP)

1st Wednesday of the month, 7-9pm.

Community members learning and taking action against racism, guided by *tikkun olam* and *b'tzelem elohim*. Learn more: Inette Dishler at **idishler@gmail.com**

Death Cafes

3rd Wednesday of the month, 7-8:30pm

Join others for lightly moderated conversations about death and dying as we explore our shared mortality. This is not grief group. Contact Lori Goldwyn at **logolkg9@gmail.com** to learn more.

Men's Group

For men and masc-identifying individuals seeking inner work, presence, and honest companionship. Meets twice monthly. Contact Isaac Wilcox at **isaac.nextlevel@gmail.com**.

Immigrant Accompaniment Affinty Group

Support newly arrived immigrants and asylum seekers! In partnership with the Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity, help newcomers navigate housing, jobs, schools, services, and more. Contact **ChochmatAccompaniment@gmail.com**

Elders Affinity Group

1st Sunday, 11:30-1:30pm

The Elders Circle provides opportunities for Chochmat members who are 60+ to create community together with a focus on the spiritual, emotional and experiential aspects of growing older. Contact Amielle Zemach at **amiellez@gmail.com**

Stay tuned for: Queer Affinity Group, Grief Group, and Jewish Psychedelic Group

Have an idea for a new Affinity Group? Contact **brittany@chochmat.org** to express interest or come to a Community Circle.

SACRED SERVICE

Volunteering is the best way to meet new people and deepen your connection to Chochmat. We wouldn't exist without your stewardship. Help weave a strong community where every heart, act of care, and generous offering adds to the whole.

Join a Volunteer Team

Being part of a team will require 3-4 hours, approximately once a quarter. Each team will have dedicated **Team Captains** who will support sign ups, track hours and send volunteer reminders. Teams will also get together for their own Shabbat Dinners. Consider this your Chochmat kickball team, (semi) chosen family, or anchors during awkward onegs.

- **The Kitchen Mensches** – Helping nourish our community through kiddush/oneg support and any other event that requires nosh and nibbles.
- **"The Holy Schleppers" Event Support Team** – Creating the physical container that allows our gatherings, celebrations, and offerings to happen.
- **Community Weaving Team** – Welcoming, connecting, and helping people feel woven into the vibrant and evolving fabric of Chochmat.
- **One Heart** - Support community members through illness, overwhelm, or crisis with compassionate check-ins, meals, rides, and practical care.





Scan the QR code to sign up for a team

JOIN A COMMITTEE



Longer-term strategy & visioning, typically meet 1-2 times per month, for members only, a great way to deepen your bonds in the Chochmat community!

Programming Committee

Shape and plan our events, classes, and gatherings throughout the year.

Finance Committee

Provide guidance on budgets, fundraising, and financial planning to keep our community thriving.

Personnel Committee

Support effective leadership, fair personnel systems, and a healthy, sustainable workplace culture at Chochmat.



Ritual Committee

Support the rituals, services, and spiritual practices that bring our community together.

Spring Retreat 2027 Committee

Plan an unforgettable retreat experience, from logistics to programming.

High Holy Day Committee

Create the most sacred time of year. Shape the experience that anchors our community.

Families Committee

Focus on programs, events, and support for kids & families of all shapes and sizes.

Fundraising Committee

Nurture the resources that sustain our community. Build relationships, inspire generosity, and support efforts that help Chochmat thrive.

OUR TEAM

Staff

Rabbi/Spiritual Leader: Rabbi Zvika Krieger
Rabbi/Director of Learning and Transformation: Rabbi Rishe Groner
Musical Director: Lior Tsarfaty
Operations Director: Jessie Austin
Community Weaver: Brittany Berman
Operations Manager: Sam Lyons
Events Manager: Sophie Bassin
Administrative Assistant: Laya Charny
Facilities Manager: Tjarn Sato
Accountant: Pam Svendson
Web Designer: Lee Bearson
Housekeeping: Doris Bail

B'Mitzvah Educator: Kohenet Amanda Nube
Meditation Teachers:
Jeffrey Kessler, Jen Roitman, Daniella Salzman, Judy Fleishman, Zvi Bellin

Core Musical Team: Lauren Arrow, Irene Sazer, Michaelle Goerlitz, and Yari Mander,
Sound Engineers: Heidi Trefethen, Sal Pena Tesser, Paul Knight

Board of Directors

Co-Presidents: Peter Arvai and Nitzan Pelman
Vice President: Rebecca Abravanel
Treasurer/Finance Chair: Jon Whitney
Secretary: Jackie Hausman
Fundraising Chair: Danny Kaplan
Personnel Chair: Elisa Mendel
Leadership Recruitment: Lisa Strongin
At-Large Board Member: Anne Schonfield

Thanks to outgoing Board members:
Neil Goldberg
Matt Weiss

High Holy Days Committee

Delilah Raybee **(Co- Chair)**, Tom Breunig **(Co- Chair)**, Deb Lyon, Sarah Isaacs, David Pepper, Sam Lyons, Sophie Bassin, and Brittany Berman
Special Thanks to Inette Dishler

Committee Chairs

Family Programming Committee: Theo Gordon & Rachel Stern
Programming Committee: Daniella Salzman
Ritual Committee: Jen Roitman
Spring Retreat: Miriam Smolover & Miriam Feiner



WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN OUR CHOCHMAT FAMILY

If the High Holy Days awakened something in you that you want to carry throughout the year...

If you long for a community rooted in friendship, generosity, and care...

If you're seeking Jewish spiritual life that is relevant and meaningful...

If you're looking for a Jewish home where you can bring your whole self and feel truly welcomed...

We invite you to become a member of Chochmat HaLev.

It's easy to stay on the sidelines and label yourself as "perpetually new." But if you've come even a few times, and feel nourished by your experience, then membership is for you.

Membership supports our amazing team, services, programs, people, and spaces that make Chochmat home.

Please join at chochmat.org/join, or scan the QR code.

Learn More about Chochmat at Tishrei Tea Time with Rabbi Zvika

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New Member Ritual

Oct. 11, 6-8pm

A deeply personal, intimate ceremony with Rabbi Zvika to be witnessed and blessed as you step into your Jewish heart and home. Set intentions for this next chapter of your spiritual journey and join a cohort with fellow new members.

Membership Questions? Email **brittany@chochmat.org**

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Chochmat's membership fees are among the lowest in the Bay Area. If you're able, please invest at the level that reflects the generosity of your heart.

Builders

help Chochmat lead and innovate.

Builders support Chochmat's innovative spiritual leadership and participate in annual visioning with our Spiritual Leaders and Board.

1 Adult: $3,500/year
(about $292/month)

2+ Adults: $5,000/year
(about $417/month)

Supporters

understand that together we thrive.

If money is tight or you're starting a family or career, this level is for you. Join others in helping Chochmat sparkle —and when you can, pay it forward.

1 Adult: $1,500/year
(about $125/month)

2+ Adults: $2,000/year
(about $167/month)

Sustainers

are the bedrock of our community

If you have the capacity to give, become a Sustainer. Your support makes Chochmat's vibrant community possible —from inspiring speakers and the staff who bring it all to life.

1 Adult: $2,100/year
(about $175/month)

2+ Adults: $2,800/year
(about $233/month)

Please join at chochmat.org/join, or scan the QR code.

Not in your budget?

We want to honor your financial capacity while also meeting the needs of our community. Email **brittany@chochmat.org** to discuss membership options.

SUPPORT CHOCHMAT HALEV

Our membership dues only cover 50 percent of our operating costs.

Help us fill our budget deficit by contributing to our High Holy Days giving campaign: ***Mi Yarum – Who Will Step Up?*** Our community needs you to raise our sacred work to the next level.

If you are inspired by our High Holy Days services, if you're excited by all the opportunities to deepen your Jewish community and spirituality, this year and beyond, please consider supporting us.

To donate, scan QR code or go to tinyurl.com/CHLGive

Chochmat HaLev

A Home for Your Jewish Heart