



JGSGW APRIL PROGRAM EXPANDED!

SATURDAY EVENT JUST ADDED!

Saturday, April 7

1:00 to 3:00 PM “Expulsion and Memory: Descendants of the Hidden Jews”

This 60-minute film will provide historical background to the personal story of Daniel Diaz-Huerta, afternoon speaker on Sunday, April 8.

“Expulsion and Memory: Descendants of the Hidden Jews”



In 1492, with the stroke of a pen, fifteen hundred years of Jewish life in Spain came to an abrupt end. In a Medieval example of ethnic cleansing, the Jews of Spain were given a choice: expulsion or conversion. Half the community left, half converted. Many of the converted, known as *Conversos*, continued to practice Judaism in secret establishing a way of life that has survived to the present day.

Shot on location in Spain, Portugal, Israel, Canada, and the United States, this documentary tells the story of the *Conversos* and memories that still haunt their descendants. The 60-minute film features a Spanish/Sephardic soundtrack by some of the world's leading artists, including Placido Domingo, Zubin Metha and the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

Sunday, April 8 Events

10:00 AM “Using DNA in Your Genealogical Research” with speaker Jim Brewster, FamilyTreeDNA

1:00 PM Schmooze and Maven Tables – nosh and ask questions of our JGSGW experts.

1:30 PM “Tracing Crypto-Jewish Heritage” with speaker Daniel Diaz-Huerta

Bender Jewish Community Center, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville, MD
All events are FREE and open to the public.

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