



Conference Program

Women Write Buber

100th Anniversary of *I and Thou* (1923)

– July 17-18, 2023 –

Ofer Observatory, 30th Floor of Eshkol
Tower, University of Haifa

Monday, July 17, 2023

9:30 a.m. | Opening

Cedric Cohen-Skalli (University of Haifa)

Ronen Pinkas (University of Potsdam)

Irene Aue-Ben-David (Leo Baeck Institute
Jerusalem)

Yemima Hadad (University of Leipzig)

Paul Mendes-Flohr (University of Chicago /
Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

10:30 a.m. | *I and Thou*: Buber and Female Scholarship

Chair: **Irene Ben-David** (Leo Baeck Institute,
Jerusalem)

Abigail Gillman (Boston University) - "Bertha
Pappenheim's Dialogue with Martin Buber"

Rakefet Anzi (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) -
"Women in Adult Education: Martin Buber and
Nechama Leibowitz"

Silvia Richter (Goethe University Frankfurt) - "The
Life of Dialogue: Martin Buber and Ety Hillesum"

1:45 p.m. | Feminism: Dialogical Perspectives

Chair: **Annabel Herzog** (University of Haifa)

Cornelia Muth (University of Applied Sciences and
Arts Bielefeld) - "Martin Buber's Theory of
Knowledge and Its Feminist Elements"

Noa Avron Barak (Hebrew University of
Jerusalem) - "Writing a Dialogical Art History:
Martin Buber and Feminist Art History in Israel"

Yemima Hadad (University of Leipzig) -
"Femininity and Frauendenken in Buber's
Thought"

3:30 p.m. | Environmentalism and Dialogue

Chair: **Asher D. Biemann** (University of Virginia)

Hava Tirosh-Samuelson (Arizona State
University) - "Martin Buber and the Challenges of
the 21st Century: Ecology and Technology"

Claudia Welz (Aarhus University) & **Essi Ikonen**
(Aarhus University) - "Listening to Nature: Martin
Buber's Philosophy of Dialogue and Environmental
Ethics"

4:45 p.m. | Body and Dialogue

Chair: **Viola Alianov-Rautenberg** (University of
Haifa)

Sarah Scott (Manhattan College) - "The Body that
Questions: Embodiment in Martin Buber's Moral
Philosophy"

Liora Bing-Heidecker (Independent scholar) -
"Martin Buber's Dance: 'Making a Symbol Out of
the Man of Our Generation'"

18:00 p.m. | Keynote Speaker

Introduction: **Cedric Cohen Skalli** (University of
Haifa)

Vivian Liska (Hebrew University of Jerusalem /
University of Antwerp) - "Woman as World:
Subjectivity and Singularity in Martin Buber's
Dialogical Writings"

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9:30 a.m. | Introduction

Yemima Hadad (University of Leipzig)

Tamar Goldschmidt & Heike Breitenbach (Goethe
University Frankfurt) - Reading Unpublished
Letters from the Family Estate

10:45 a.m. | *I and Thou*: Buber and Female Scholarship

Chair: **Paul Mendes-Flohr** (Hebrew University)

Katharina Baur (University of Augsburg) - "The
Invisible Woman: Paula Buber - The Person of *I
and Thou*"

Bettina Bannasch (University of Augsburg) -
"Ladies' Philosopher and Salon Lady: Martin
Buber and Auguste Hauschner"

1:30 p.m. | Buber and Literature

Chair: **Vered Lev Kenaan** (University of Haifa)

Einat Davidi (University of Haifa) - "Isabel, Achab
and Elijah as a Psychomachic Triangle: Martin
Buber's *Elijah* as an Auto Sacramental Play"

Galit Hasan-Rokem (Hebrew University of
Jerusalem) - "Myth and Experience: Women,
Heroes and Dialogue"

Leena Eilittä (University of Helsinki) - "*Ich, Du und
Es* in Ingeborg Bachmann's *Malina*"

3:15 p.m. | Towards a New Philosophical Paradigm

Chair: **Hagi Kenaan** (Tel Aviv University)

Yael Sela (Teichler) (University of Potsdam) -
"Dialogues of Hearts: Martin Buber and bell hooks
on Love"

Libera Pisano (University Pompeu Fabra,
Barcelona) - "In the Beginning Is Narration:
Reading Martin Buber through Adriana Cavarero"

4:30 p.m. | Bible, Feminism and Theopolitics

Chair: **Benjamin Pollock** (Hebrew University)

Claire Sufrin (Northwestern University) - "Martin
Buber's Bible as a Feminist Resource"

Randi Rashkover (College of William & Mary) -
"Buber's Theopolitics, the Beautiful Soul and the
Needs of the Hour"

5:45 p.m. | Keynote Speaker

Introduction: **Ronen Pinkas** (Potsdam University)

Leora Batnitzky (Princeton University) -

"Mothering Beyond Essence? Martin Buber, Bertha
Pappenheim and Donald Winnicott"