



# Program Guide

## *For Adults*

### **Services in the Round**

Spiritual, inviting prayer services that speak to both the heart and mind. These *t'fillah* experiences weave traditional liturgy, chant, and meditative moments, and give individuals the gift of personal reflection and communal connection. (Services can be crafted to fit any time, space, and Jewish practice).

### **The G!D Gap**

Have you ever had a moment where your beliefs in G!D stop making sense with your lived reality? Through music, text study, lecture, and discussion, participants are invited to reflect on their lives, beliefs, and spiritual journeys.

### **Text Study and Discussion**

Let's explore an aspect of the G!D conversation through our sacred texts- What are the 157 names of G!D? How have conceptions of G!D changed throughout Jewish history? Let's look at often surprising pieces of our tradition to open our minds and hearts. (Perfect for a lunch and learn, Torah discussion, or any time.)

### **Artist Beit Midrash**

Art is a beautiful and effective reflection tool. Let's not just talk about our relationship to G!D, but turn our thoughts into art. Poetry, music, dance, visual arts- we partner with artists to craft meaningful experiences incorporating ritual, text study, and facilitated creation.

### **Songs About G!D**

This intimate concert weaves moving song and story to take the audience on a journey through one person's relationship with G!D, sparking questions and reflection in the listener.



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## *For Educators*

### **The G!D Gap: How to (not) talk about G!D**

The G!D Gap: the moment when the way you've been taught about G!D stops making sense. What can we do as educators to help bridge that gap? In this session we'll explore our own beliefs, G!D talk, theological diversity, and strategies to give our students (and ourselves) the possibility of a dynamic and lasting Divine relationship (and why we should care in the first place).

### **Games, Stories, and Song: Crafting Moments of Meaning in Prayer**

How can we make prayer more enriching, fun, and meaningful? What if we don't have control over time, structure, or resources? In this session we will engage with different techniques to bring "moments of meaning" into our services through games, discussion, songs, and metaphors.

### **Ritual: Transforming Secular to Sacred**

Jewish tradition invites us to bring holiness into the everyday. These moments of intention can connect individuals, encourage self-reflection, and foster gratitude. How can we create these moments of spirit, for our classes, our schools, and ourselves? Learn how to harness traditional rituals, create new ones, and seize opportunities for meaning that happen in your work every day.

### **Shabbat Services with Spirit**

Shabbat services are an invaluable opportunity for both education and connection. Learn melodies, mindfulness, and teaching techniques to engage with deep spirit and thoughtfulness, as well as language and activities to utilize expansive G!D language in your transitions and Torah learning.



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## *For Students*

### **Prayer for all ages**

Experience *t'fillah* sessions that are filled with fun and meaning. They can be built around a theme, such as movement or sports, or focus on a particular prayer. Each service will be intentionally crafted, keeping in mind the age of the students, size of the group, space, and time constraints.

### **Education Programs**

Each session, whether on names of G!D, personal belief, Jewish ritual, spiritual practice, all of the above, or something else we dream up together, is experiential, utilizes multiple learning modalities, and encourages deep thought and personal growth. Sessions can be done once or spread out as a series, for a variety of age groups and class sizes. (Recommended for middle schoolers and teens).

### **Artist Beit Midrash**

Students who opt-in will go deeper into the text and discover their own names for G!D, reflecting on their learning through art. The G!D Project offers facilitation in music, poetry, and movement, and can include our artists partners to provide more options. Creations can be shared with the rest of the age group in a low-key coffee house style "G!D Salon."

## *About us*

The G!D Project seeks to challenge and expand understandings of the Divine and provide a space for exploring issues of belief. Through interactive workshops, dynamic ritual, and moments of spirit, all rooted in Jewish text and tradition, participants are given the tools and language to wrestle with the Divine, and find their own names for G!D. Founded by master Jewish artist and educator [Eliana Light](#). Fueled by a [JTS Seeds of Innovation Grant](#).