CONFERENCE PROGRAM

ROKHL OYERBAKH: THE BRIDGE
BETWEEN WARTIME AND POSTWAR
TESTIMONY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2019
STERLING MEMORIAL LIBRARY
LECTURE HALL
9:00 COFFEE

9:20 INTRODUCTION

STEPHEN NARON, Director, Fortunoff Video Archive for Holocaust Testimonies, Yale University

9:30–10:30 KEYNOTE

“We Fulfilled Our Mission”: The Legacy of Rokhl Oyerbakh

SAMUEL KASSOW, Charles H. Northam Professor of History, Trinity College

10:30–12:30 PANEL I: PREWAR AND WARTIME

“Il n’y a pas d’amour heureux”—Itzik Manger and Rokhl Oyerbakh

EFRAT GAL-ED, Jewish Studies, Department of Yiddish Culture, Language and Literature, Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf

Rokhl Oyerbakh—the Making of a Public Intellectual

KAROLINA SZYMANIAK, Assistant Professor, Department of Jewish Studies, University of Wrocław

Rokhl Auerbach’s Great Lament

DAVID ROSKIES, Sol and Evelyn Henkind Chair in Yiddish Literature and Culture; and Professor of Jewish Literature, Jewish Theological Seminary

Respondent: AVINOAM PATT, Doris and Simon Konover Chair of Judaic Studies; and Director, Center for Judaic Studies and Contemporary Jewish Life, University of Connecticut

12:30–1:30 LUNCH

1:30–3:30 PANEL II: POSTWAR

Rokhl Oyerbakh and the Eichmann Trial

LEORA BILSKY, Professor, Tel Aviv University Faculty of Law; and Director, Minerva Center for Human Rights, Tel Aviv University

“Here Every Day Is Eichmann”: Rokhl Oyerbakh and the Early Days of Yad Vashem

BOAZ COHEN, Western Galilee College Akko; and Shaanan College Haifa

Oyerbakh and the Treblinka Affair (1966)

SAMUEL MOYN, Henry R. Luce Professor of Jurisprudence and Professor of History, Yale University

Respondent: LAURA JOCKUSCH, Albert Abramson Associate Professor of Holocaust Studies, Brandeis University

3:30 ROUNDTABLE

HAVI DREIFUSS, Professor in Jewish History, Tel Aviv University

GLENN DYNNER, Professor and Chair of Religion Department, Sarah Lawrence College

LISA M. LEFF, Director, Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

SVEN-ERIK ROSE, Associate Professor of German and Comparative Literature, University of California, Davis

4:30 CLOSING AND RECEPTION