



**The New Americans Museum Announces a Special Event in conjunction with
“From Haven to Home: 350 Years of Jewish Life in America”**

“FROM MINSK TO MANHATTAN: JEWISH MUSIC IN THE JEWISH IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE”

A LECTURE WITH MUSIC FEATURING YALE STROM

Sunday, February 22, 1:30 pm

Corky McMillin Companies Event Center

2875 Dewey Road, NTC Promenade, Liberty Station

The event is FREE and is open to the public

San Diego - January 30, 2009 - The **New Americans Museum** is pleased to announce a special community event presented to augment the current exhibition, ***From Haven to Home: 350 Years of Jewish Life in America***.

In partnership with the **Jewish Studies Program at San Diego State University** and the **Jewish Historical Society of San Diego**, the Museum will host a “lecture with music” by noted violinist, klezmer music scholar, composer, film maker, writer, photographer and playwright, **Yale Strom**. Strom is currently the artist-in-residence for the Jewish Studies Program at SDSU. www.jewishstudies.sdsu.edu

The event is free and guests are invited to visit the exhibition before or after the lecture.

“One of our goals as a Museum is to partner with the San Diego community to present education and outreach events that add exciting new dimension to each exhibition,” explained Executive Director Gayle Hom. “We are thrilled that the Jewish Historical Society of San Diego and the Jewish Studies Program at San Diego State University are providing this unique opportunity to hear this internationally renowned musician.”

Yale Strom is one of the world's foremost artists of klezmer music and history. His field research in Europe has led to six award-winning documentary films and several books. Strom's musical compositions have been heard on NPR and performed around the world. With his klezmer band, *Hot Pstromi* and his wife, vocalist, Elizabeth Schwartz, he has created twelve CD's.

From Haven to Home, an exhibition referencing the Library of Congress collections, presents a fascinating opportunity to trace the American Jewish journey from persecution to participation, from the original 23 refugees who landed in 1654 to today's extraordinary and diverse Jewish Community.

The exhibition, presented at the New Americans Museum Annex, was created by the American Jewish Historical Society, located at the Center for Jewish History in New York and on the campus of Hebrew College in Newton, Ma. It is brought to San Diego

by the AJHS in partnership with the New Americans Museum, with assistance from the San Diego Center for Jewish Culture.

"From Haven to Home: 350 Years of Jewish Life in America" is being presented in a recently renovated and nationally recognized historic building at NTC Landing. The 6,000 ft building features exposed brick, two stories of natural light and plenty of free parking. The exhibition is also made possible thanks to the support and partnership of **Bank of America, McMillin Commercial, United Jewish Federation of San Diego County, the Jewish Historical Society of San Diego, the NTC Foundation** and the **Sempra Energy Foundation**.

About the Exhibition

New Americans Museum Annex, 2863 Historic Decatur

"From Haven to Home: 350 Years of Jewish Life in America"

Created by the American Jewish Historical Society

December 5 – March 1, 2009

New Americans Museum

Free admission. Hours 11am-5 pm, Wednesday-Sunday. Plenty of free parking.
619.255.8908. For more information visit www.newamericansmuseum.org