Celebrating Robert Alter

Robert Alter, Emeritus Professor of Hebrew and Comparative Literature, founding Director of the Center for Jewish Studies at UC Berkeley, and noted translator of and commentator on the Bible, has been awarded two degrees of Doctor Philosophiae Honoris Causa—one from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and one from the University of Haifa—for his work as “a leading scholar in the field of comparative literature, who combines in his work a passion for language with tireless intellectual curiosity.” The Honorary Degree Ceremonies will take place later this year in Jerusalem and Haifa.

In celebration of our friend and teacher’s many accomplishments, the Center for Jewish Studies and Congregation Netivot Shalom cosponsor a public lecture by Professor Alter on May 5th, 6 pm, at Netivot Shalom, celebrating his newest translations, including The Song of Songs, in Strong as Death is Love. Professor Alter will be introduced by Professor Erich Gruen and his talk will be commented upon by Professor Naomi Seidman and Professor Ron Hendel.

All are welcome!

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