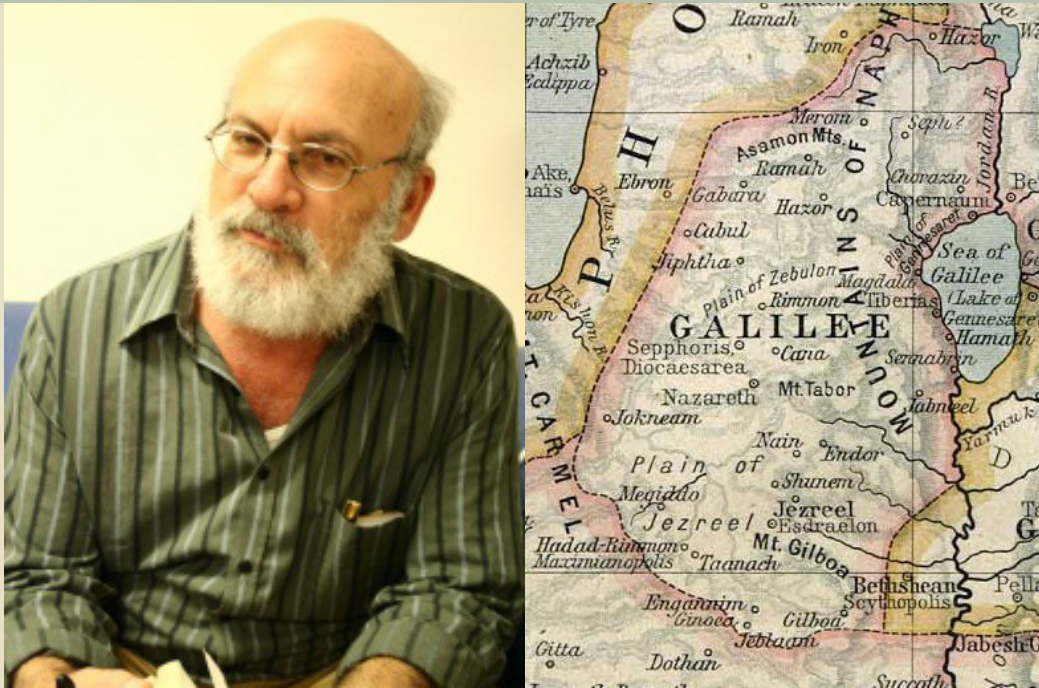


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Professor Elchanan Reiner

From Joshua to Jesus: Three Chapters of the Galilean Jewish Foundational Myth

- 7pm Tues., April 21:** *The Founder: On the Myth of Joshua in the Galilee*
- 5pm Thurs., April 23:** *Sun in Givon, Samson in Galil:
Rabbinic Literature Meets Local Culture*
- 6:30 pm:** Reception
- 7pm Tues., April 28:** *The Galilee as the Land of Israel:
On the Hasmonean Roots of the Galilean Foundational Myth*

Location: The Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life, 2121 Allston Way, Berkeley

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