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THE SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES PRESENTS

DIASPORA, MIGRATION, AND JEWISH MEMORIES OF CHINA

Keynote speakers

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Contributors

Andrew Jakubowicz, Professor of Sociology,
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The Harbin Files*

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to the Whangpoo: A Century of Sephardic Jewish
Life in Shanghai*

Autobiographical writings and documentaries made over the last two decades testify to the significance of the in-between place and the half-way port in the memories of post-war Jewish migrants from China. This symposium will explore the place of the half-way port in identity formation in migrant communities. Within this framework special emphasis will be given to the ways these experiences are transferred to following generations. The question of the image of Jews in China will also be explored.

The symposium follows a workshop on Jewish and Chinese Diaspora histories held in the School of Historical Studies in September 2008 and it aims to maintain and further develop a comparative approach to the immigration experiences of different communities.

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SUNDAY 26 JULY
1.30 - 5.00 pm
Jewish Museum of Australia
26 Alma Rd, St Kilda

MONDAY 27 JULY
9.00 am - 5.00 pm
Jessie Webb Library, John Medley East Tower
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