

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

2012 PhD - Bar-Ilan University, Gender Studies Program
2006 MA (summa cum laude) - Bar-Ilan University, Gender Studies Program
1996 BA (magna cum laude) - University of Haifa, History

Academic Appointments

2018 - Lecturer, Tel-Hai Academic College, the Department of Multidisciplinary Studies
2017 - 2018 Lecturer (adjunct), Tel Hai Academic College, the Department of
 Multidisciplinary Studies
2014 - Lecturer (adjunct), University of Haifa
 2014 - 2018 The Cultural Studies Unit (BA)
 2015 - The Gender Studies Program (MA)
 2016 - Nursing (MA)
2014 - 2016 Affiliated fellow, ICI Berlin, Institute for Cultural Inquiry
2013 - 2014 Postdoctoral fellow, ICI Berlin - Institute for Cultural Inquiry
2012 - 2013 Postdoctoral fellow, The Institute for European Ethnology and the Trans-
 Disciplinary Gender Studies Program, Humboldt Universität Berlin
 Visiting lecturer, The Trans-Disciplinary Gender Studies Graduate Program,
 Humboldt Universität Berlin
2007-2012 Doctoral teaching fellow, Gender Studies Graduate Program, Bar-Ilan University

Professional Appointments

2019 - 2022 Gender equity officer, Tel-Hai Academic College

Publications

Refereed Journals

- (Submitted). Regulating the Undesirable: Statusless Women in Israel. *International Migration Review*.
- (Submitted). Structures of abandonment: Gender, statuslessness and bare life. *Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies*.
- (2021) What Therefore Discourse Has Joined Together: Kinship, Performativity and Everyday Use of Public Space. *Social and Cultural Geography*, 22 (1): 58-75. [IF 3.606 Q1]
- (2020) Intimate Violence. *Mafté'akh – Lexical Review of Political Thought*, 15: 155-162 [Hebrew].
- A short version appeared in: (2021) *Israeli Sociology*, 21 (2): 245-246 [Hebrew]
- (2018) How to Be Feminist in Public. *Feministika*, 1 (1): 98-103.
- (2018) The Lesbian Complaint: On Kinship, Genre, and Being Public. *European Journal of Cultural Studies*, 21 (2): 259-274. [IF 1.520 Q1]
- (2017) Lost and Found in Berlin: Identity, Ontology and the Emergence of Queer Zion. *Gender, Place & Culture: A Journal of Feminist Geography*, 24 (3) 413-425. [IF 2.032 Q1]
- (2016 - with Ronit Kark & Tanya Zion-Waldoks) From Politics of Dilemmas to Politics of Paradoxes: Feminism, Pedagogy and Women's Leadership for Social Change. *Journal of Management Education*, 40 (3): 293-320. [IF 0.612 Q1]
- (2016) A Methodology of Damage. *International Journal of Social Research Methodology*, 19 (1): 17-30. [IF 3.062 Q1]
- (2014) Things I Learned from the Book of Ruth. Essay. *Theory and Criticism*, 43: 313-319 [Hebrew]
- (2011) 'Coherent Deviants: Transformation and Transition in Life-Stories of Once-Married Women Who Chose to Live as Lesbians. *Women's Studies International Forum*, 34 (2): 140-150. [IF 1.497 Q1]
- Refereed Book Chapters**
- (In Press) On Being Public: Feminism, Sexual Harassment and the Question of Palestine. In: Cristina Alcalde & Paula-Irene Villa (eds.), *#MeToo and beyond. Perspectives on a Global Movement*. University of Kentucky Press
- (2017) Things I Learned from the Book of Ruth: Diasporic Reading of Queer Conversions. In: Manuele Gragnolati and Christoph F.E. Holzhey (eds.), *De/Constituting Wholes: Towards Partiality Without Parts*. 'Cultural Inquiry' (Series), Vienna: Turia + Kant, 47-65.
- (2017 - with Ronit Kark & Tanya Zion-Waldoks) Ironic Paradoxes: Feminist Pedagogy between Theory and Practice. In: Daphna Golan, Yona Rosenfeld and Zvika Orr (eds.) *Bridges of Knowledge: Campus-Community Partnerships in Israel*. Tel-Aviv: Mofet, 218-249 [Hebrew].

(2011) Relationships with Women/Lesbians. In: Tal Tamir (ed.), *Women and Their Bodies: Our Bodies, Health, and Sexuality*. Ben Shemen: Modan, 249-280 [Hebrew].

Review Essays [Invited]

(2018) An Other Sex. *Israeli Sociology*, 19(2): 228-230 [Hebrew].

(2017) Un-learning to See Palestine. *New Formations: A Journal of Culture/Theory/Politics*, 89-90: 243-246.

(2015 - with Chen Misgav) Israel/Palestine and the Queer International by Sarah Schulman with. *Journal of Middle East Women's Studies: Journal of Middle East Women's Studies*, 11(1): 111-113.

(2013) Figurations of Violence and Belonging: Queerness, Migranhood and Nationalism in Cyberspace and Beyond by Adi Kuntsman. *Israeli Sociology*, 15(1): 182-186 [Hebrew].

Scientific Reports

(2020) Bare Lives: Women without Status in Haifa and Northern Israel. Isha l'Isha, Haifa [Hebrew] <file:///C:/Users/TelHai/AppData/Local/Temp/Bare-Lives-he-1.pdf>

Other

(2018) Forward. In: Estee Rieder-Indursky, *Invisible Women - Ultra Orthodox Feminism, The Case of "No Voice No Vote "Campaign*. Haifa: Pardes.

(2021) Epilogue. In: Judith Yahav, *Women's Love: Late Coming-out Monologues*. Haifa: Pardes.

In Preparation

The Logic of Emergency and the Emergence of Civic Infrastructures: Services for Women without Status, for *Mobilities*.

Structural Violence and the Contemporary Female Homo Sacer, for *Feminist Review*

Book manuscript: What Therefore Discourse Has Joined Together – Kinship, Public Cultures and Belonging. For: a) *Duke UP: Perverse Modernities Series*; b) *SUNY Press: Queer Studies Series*; c) *Bloomsbury Publishing: Gender Studies Bloomsbury Academic Collection*; d) *Routledge: Social Justice Series*.

The Socio-Political Dynamics of Collective Leadership: Methodological Challenges from a Critical Feminist Perspective (with Ronit Kark).

Awards & Fellowships

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| 2013-2014 | Postdoctoral fellowship, ICI Berlin Institute for Cultural Inquiry, Berlin (€16,500) |
| 2012-2013 | Overseas postdoctoral award, Bar-Ilan University (US\$ 40,000 taken at Humboldt Universität, Berlin) |
| 2012-2013 | Postdoctoral fellowship, Open University (NIS 70,000 <u>declined</u>) |

- 2007-2011 Doctoral excellence fellowship, Bar-Ilan University (NIS 160,000)
- 2011 Distinguished PhD Research Award, The Fanya Gottesfeld Heller Center for the Study of Women in Judaism at Bar-Ilan University (NIS 3,000)
- 2009 Rector's Excellence Award, Bar-Ilan University (NIS 2,500)
- 2002-2004 MA Excellence Awards, Bar-Ilan University's (total of US\$ 5,800)

Research & Travel Grants

- 2013 Women's Commission Research Grant, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Faculty of Philosophy I (€1,040)
- 2009 Transcription research grant, The Gender Studies Program, Bar-Ilan University (NIS10,000)
- 2007-2012 Graduate students' travel grants (total of US\$ 3,480):
- ACS - the Association for Cultural Studies;
 - Fanya Gottesfeld Heller Center for the Study of Women in Judaism;
 - Bar-Ilan University President's Travel Awards;
 - The Interdisciplinary Studies Unit's Travel's Awards.

Invited Talks

- 2019 'How to Be Feminist in Public,' *International Symposium: Comparative Perspectives on #MeToo*, University of Kentucky
- 2018 'Israeli Sabra in the Queer Diaspora: The Chosen Body Revisited,' *Queer Israelis in Berlin: Belonging, Resistance, and the Politics of Emigration*, ICI Berlin Institute for Cultural Inquiry
- 'Archive,' *Looted and Hidden – Film Screening & Discussion*, The Lexicon for Political Theory, Minerva Humanities Center, Tel-Aviv University
- 'How to Be Feminist in Public,' *Gender and Conflict Lecture Series*, The Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, International Conflict Resolution and Peace, Hebrew University
- 2017 'What Therefore Discourse Has Joined Together: Kinship, Performativity and Everyday Use of Pubic Space,' *Queer(y)ing Kinship in the Baltic Region: An International Workshop*, Centre for Baltic and Eastern European Studies, Södertörn University Stockholm
- 'The Vulnerable Feminist,' ICI Berlin Institute for Cultural Inquiry
- 'The Vulnerable Feminist,' *Gender Studies Colloquium*, Ben Gurion University

- ‘The Lesbian Complaint: On Kinship, Genre, and Being Public,’ *The Lexicon for Political Theory*, Minerva Humanities Center, Tel-Aviv University
- 2015 ‘A Family Portrait’ – keynote address, *Queer Kinship and Relationships International Conference*, Polish Academy of Sciences
- ‘Lost and Found: Identity, Ontology and the Emergence of Queer Zion,’ *HaGymnasia Lecture Series on Hebrew Culture and Thought in Berlin*, Zentrum Jüdische Studien Berlin-Brandenburg
- ‘Race, Sexuality and Identity: the Israeli Queer Diaspora in Berlin,’ *Israeli Immigrants in Berlin*, WZB Berlin Social Science Center
- ‘Queer as a Lifestyle’, invited response paper for the session “‘Straight with a twist’”: reflections on heterosexuality beyond the heteronormal,’ *III European Geographies of Sexualities Conference*, Sapienza - University of Rome
- ‘Haunting and the City: Everyday Encounters and Negotiations between Palestinians and Jews In the Diaspora,’ *Gender and International Intervention in Violent Conflicts International Workshop*, The Sophie Davis Forum on Gender, International Conflict Resolution and Peace, Hebrew University
- ‘Israeli Queer Diaspora in Berlin – Identity, Performativity and Memory,’ the *Memory, Discourse and Diversity, Seminar*, the department of Social Sciences, Humboldt Universität Berlin
- ‘Stopping in the City – Methodological Reflections on Urban Investigation,’ *Urban Design and Social Change in the European Metropolis Seminar*, Technische Universität & Bard College Berlin
- 2014 ‘Berlin my Love: The Here, the Queer and Walking in the City,’ Circle1 - Platform for Art & Culture Berlin
- 2013 ‘A Methodology of Damage,’ *Institut für Europäische Ethnologie Gender Labor*, Humboldt Universität Berlin
- ‘Belonging Travels,’ *Institut für Europäische Ethnologie Colloquia Series*, Humboldt Universität Berlin
- ‘Queer Diaspora and Kinship Longing - Things I Learned from the Book of Ruth,’ *Tikkun Shavuot*, Hamakom – Center for Cultural Judaism Berlin
- ‘Kinship, Familism and LGBT Relationships,’ *Migration and Integration in Comparative Perspective Seminar*, Humboldt Universität Berlin

- ‘Queering the Family,’ *Family Technologies Lecture Series*, Technische Universität Berlin
- 2012 ‘How to Say Coupledness in the Plural: Intimate Publics and Kinship Scandals,’ *The Lafer Center for Women and Gender Studies’ Colloquia Series*, The Hebrew University
- 2010 ‘Fantasies about Activism in the Field and in the Academy,’ *10th Anniversary of the Gender Studies Program*, Bar-Ilan University

Conference Papers

- 2021 ‘Violence, Security and Family – Spatial Arrangements during COVID-19,’ *The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Meeting*, Tel-Hai College
- 2020 ‘Intimate Violence – An Epidemic,’ *The Double-Edged Plague – Family Violence and Sexual Trauma*, Israeli Ministry of Health
- 2019 ‘Feminism, Infrastructures and Women without Status in the City of Haifa,’ *Eighth Berlin Program Interdisciplinary Summer Workshop*, Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies, Freie Universität Berlin
- ‘Diversity, Sexuality and the Emergence of Berlin’s Queer Zion,’ *Midterm Conference of the ESA Sexuality Network*, Institute of Sociology, Jagiellonian University in Kraków
- ‘How to Be Feminist in Public,’ *8th International Conference of Critical Geography*, Athens
- ‘How to Be Feminist in Public,’ *Gender Studies Programs’ Annual Conference*, Tel-Hai
- 2017 ‘Between the Queerscape and the Ethnoscape: Reading for a Contemporary Nomadic,’ *IV European Geographies of Sexualities Conference*, University of Barcelona
- 2016 ‘Identity, Ontology and the Emergence of Berlin’s Queer Zion,’ *Becoming TransGerman: Transnational, Transdisciplinary, Transgender, Transhuman*, Freie Universität Berlin
- 2016 ‘Paradox of Competing Identities: The Case of Women Leadership,’ with Ronit Kark and Tanya Zion-Waldoks, *the Academy of Management Annual Meeting*, Anaheim Convention Center, California
- 2015 ‘Lost and Found: Identity, Ontology and the Emergence of Queer Zion,’ *III European Geographies of Sexualities Conference*, Sapienza- University of Rome
- 2014 ‘Walking in the City: Cosmopolitanism, Multiculturalism and Israeli Queers in Berlin,’ *The Israeli Geographical Association Annual Conference*, University of Haifa

- ‘A Family Portrait’ – plenary paper, *International Conference on Critical Kinship Studies*, University of Southern Denmark
- ‘Berlin My Love – Haunting and the City,’ ICI Berlin Institute for Cultural Inquiry
- ‘Berlin My Love,’ *An Other Sex 14 - The Fourteenth Israeli Annual Conference for Lesbian & Gay Studies and Queer Theory*, Tel Aviv University
- 2013 ‘Towards Politics of Paradoxes: Feminism, Pedagogy and Social Change,’ with Ronit Kark and Tanya Waldax Zion, *Learning from Successes in Community-Academy Partnership*, Hebrew University
- ‘A Methodology of Damage,’ *European Geographies of Sexualities Conference*, University of Lisbon
- 2012 ‘Lesbian Dramas and the Stories about Them,’ *Crossroads in Cultural Studies*, Sorbonne Nouvelle University Paris
- ‘Methodologies of Damage: How to Do Things with Separations,’ *An Other Sex 12 - The Twelve Israeli Annual Conference for Lesbian & Gay Studies and Queer Theory*, Tel Aviv University
- ‘Separation and the Art of Identity Maintenance,’ *Gender in Theory and in the Field Conference*, Bar-Ilan University
- 2010 ‘A Narrative Investigation of Queer Separation: Sexuality and Belonging in Israel,’ *Beyond Citizenship: Feminism and the Transformation of Belonging Conference*, Birkbeck University of London
- ‘Queer Separations,’ *An Other Sex 10 - The Tenth Israeli Annual Conference for Lesbian & Gay Studies and Queer Theory*, Tel Aviv University
- 2009 ‘Families We Choose and Those We Don't in Life Stories of Once Married Women Who Chose to Live as lesbians,’ *Anthropology of the Family, Kinship and Relationships, the 37th Annual Conference of the Israeli Anthropological Society*, Kinneret Academic College
- ‘Families We Choose and Those We Don't: A Narrative Investigation of Kinship Transformation,’ *Narrative, Memory and Ordinary Lives, Narrative and Memory Research Group 9th Annual Conference*, University of Huddersfield
- 2007 ‘Notes on a Scandal: Transformation and Transition in Life Stories Of Once-Married Women Who Chose to Live as Lesbians,’ *Lesbian Lives XIV: Lesbian Existence and the Lesbian Continuum Conference*, Women's Education, Research and Resource Centre (WERRC), School of Social Justice, University College Dublin

'Disturbed Reading: Resistance and Yielding to the Imperative for Coherence in Life Stories of Once Married Women Who Chose to Live as Lesbians,' *Discourse and Gender in Israel Conference*, Bar-Ilan University

2006 'Significantly Others: Life Stories of Once Married Women Who Chose to Live as Lesbians,' *An Other Sex 06 - The Sixth Israeli Annual Conference for Lesbian & Gay Studies and Queer Theory*, Tel Aviv University

Ad Hoc Reviewer for Refereed Journals

- Israeli Sociology (Hebrew)
- Journal of Homosexuality;
- Maftē'akh – Lexical Review of Political Thought (Hebrew);
- Sexualities;
- The Professional Geographer;
- International Feminist Journal of Politics;
- Nations and Nationalism;
- Theory and Criticism (Hebrew);
- Women Studies International Forum;
- Journal of Media and Communication Studies.

Events Co-organization

- 2019 The Annual Gender Studies Programs conference, Tel-Hai Academic College
LGBT and Queer History, Haifa Feminist Institute (in cooperation with Haifa LGBT History Project)
- 2018 LGBT and Queer History, Haifa Feminist Institute (in cooperation with Haifa LGBT History Project)
- 2015 Archive as a Political Action, Haifa Feminist Institute
Diaspora and its Others: Narratives, Nomads, and Impossibilities, ICI Berlin Institute for Cultural Inquiry
- 2014 Leftover: Affect in/as Methodology, ICI Berlin Institute for Cultural Inquiry
- 2012 An Other Sex - The Israeli Annual Conference for Lesbian & Gay Studies and Queer Theory, Tel Aviv University
- 2011 An Other Sex - The Israeli Annual Conference for Lesbian & Gay Studies and Queer Theory, Tel Aviv University
- 2010 Gender in Theory and in the Field – The Gender Studies Program, Gender in the Field Track Conference, Bar-Ilan University

2009 Gender in Theory and in the Field – The Gender Studies Program, Gender in the Field Track Conference, Bar-Ilan University

Academic and Public Service

2007 – Present Haifa Feminist Institute – Archive, Library and Research Center, co-founder

2000 – Present Isha l’Isha Haifa Feminist Center, member

2017 – 2019 Academia for Equality, First Generation in Higher Education mentoring program, mentor

2016 – 2019 Lexicon for Political Theory research group, Minerva Humanities Center, Tel-Aviv University, member

2013 – 2014 Salaam-Schalom Berlin, co-founder

2007 – 2011 Women and Their Bodies - Women's Association for Health Action and Responsibility, editor and writer

2002 – 2008 Programs and Resource Development officer (Haifa Women’s Crisis Shelter; Aswat Palestinian Gay Women; Itach-Ma’aki Women Lawyers for Social Justice; Mahut – Information, Guidance and Employment for Women)

2002 – 2004 Community of Learning Women Kufr Kara/Lod, board member

2000 – 2002 Haifa Women’s Coalition, lecturer and group facilitator

1999 – 2005 Haifa Rape Crisis Center, volunteer and board member

Media

- Tsafi Saar, 2020, 'What is 'Feminist Sex'.' Haaretz. 30.1.20 [Hebrew] https://www.haaretz.co.il/gallery/mejunderet/.premium.highlight-1.8467398?lts=1580392336411&fbclid=IwAR2dIqoTCx7LOrT_A8p5DrhtG-7DfjsQR4tqggNqkd1pykwECZQyZdzqngs
- Ira Tolchin Immergluck, 2019, 'An Israeli Handmaid's Tale,' *The Times of Israel* 19.12.19 [Hebrew] <https://www.zman.co.il/65842/>
- Avner Shapira, 2014, 'Berlin: The 'new Zion' for LGBTQ Israelis,' *Haaretz*, 10.6.14 [Hebrew] <http://www.haaretz.co.il/gallery/lifestyle/.premium-1.2343681> 11.6.14 [English] <http://www.haaretz.com/news/features/.premium-1.598033>
- Mohamed Amjahid, 2014, 'Erfahrungsberichte Ausländerbehörde' *Tagesspiegel*, 20.5.2014 <http://www.tagesspiegel.de/berlin/erfahrungsberichte-auslaenderbehoerde-wenn-man-als-auslaender-kein-deutsch-kann-ist-man-aufgeschmissen/9905808-3.html>