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"The Ghetto and the Modern Jewish Imaginary"



A lecture by

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Few terms have figured as prominently, or as provocatively, in Jewish narratives and framings of modernity as the word "ghetto." This paper will discuss some of the various meanings the term "ghetto" has assumed over time while also highlighting the need for a cultural and conceptual history of its usage.

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