



ECRUSY Leadership Training Institute 2008

August 21-24, 2008 (begins August 20 for Montreal & Ottawa)

Beth Jacob Synagogue

Hamilton, Ontario

Early Bird Special: July 10, 2008

Final Registration Due: August 10, 2008

Late Registration Penalty

Registration Fee: \$165

Registration Fee: \$180

\$200

Optional Registration:

HeChalutzim \$10.00

SATO 613 Mitzvah Club \$6.13

A.J. Heschel Honour Society
 (Form will be forwarded) No charge

Total Additional Registration \$_____

Special Offers:

If you are sending siblings you may deduct

Early Bird Registration **ONLY**~ 2 siblings 10% \$148.50

3 siblings 20% \$132.00

Sibling(s)'s name(s) _____

SCHOLARSHIPS:

The Region does provide some scholarship assistance on a need-basis. To inquire about such assistance, please download a scholarship application from our website, www.ecrusy.org, or call the ECRUSY office at 416-667-1717. **SCHOLARSHIP FORMS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN THE EARLY BIRD APPLICATION DEADLINE.** You must send complete payment for the convention along with the scholarship form. In the event that a subsidy is awarded a cheque for that amount will be sent to your address. If this is a problem, contact Rabbi Jen Gorman, Regional Youth Director, (416) 667-1717. Please remember that these scholarships should not be considered as a major source of funding. Many synagogues also provide subsidies for participants of ECRUSY Conventions. Participants should first go to their synagogues for funding. Consult your chapter Youth Director, Advisor, or Rabbi for more information.

*****Please fill out the following payment information*****

Cheque Master Card Visa

Name on Credit Card: _____ Total Amount: \$_____

Credit Card Number (*Please write clearly*): _____

Signature: _____ Expiry Date: _____

Name: _____ Gender (circle): Female Male

Address: _____ Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Birthday: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Chapter: _____ Synagogue: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Your Phone: () _____

Parent's Email: _____ USYer Email: _____

If you do not want your (USYers only) e-mail added to the listserve check here _____

Is this your first Event (circle): Yes No

Parent & Emergency Information:

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Home Phone: () _____

Home Phone: () _____

Cell Phone: () _____

Cell Phone: () _____

Work Phone: () _____

Work Phone: () _____

Emergency Contact Information: Please provide the following information for two people who can be called in an emergency when neither parent can be reached.

1. _____
Name Relationship Phone

2. _____
Name Relationship Phone

Medical & Diet Information:

Name: _____ Health Card Number: _____

Dietary Needs (circle): Vegetarian Lactose Intolerant Other _____

Do you have any medical conditions or special needs (including allergies)? Yes No

If YES, please list condition, medication/treatment, and dosage: _____

Please Note: Do not omit any information – acceptance to the programme is NOT based on health history and all medical records are private and confidential.

I would like to help lead the following services (check all that apply):

- Weekday Mincha Kabbalat Shabbat Weekday Ma'ariv P'sukei D'zimrah Weekday Shacharit
- Shabbat Shacharit Singing Read Torah Read Haftarah Have an Aliyah Birkat Hamazon
- Shabbat Mincha Shabbat Ma'ariv Kiddush Hamotzi Torah Service Musaf
- Happy Clapper T'fillah Talker Enthusiastic Singer Hershey Kiss or Regalia Catcher
- Hagbah (lifting the Torah) G'lilah (wrapping the Torah) Gabbai Opening the Ark

I am a: Cohen Levi Yisrael

Rooming Requests: We will make every effort to honor at least one MUTUAL request per participant. **Please communicate with your friends!** Only two requests please!

Name: _____

Name: _____

Chapter: _____

Chapter: _____

Participant Statement

(Applications will not be accepted without all required parent's and participant's signatures, regardless of age.)

I have read the Code of Conduct below, and I understand it fully. I certify that I will adhere to this code and will conduct myself in a manner reflecting credit upon my chapter, my congregation, and myself. I agree to abide by the rules set forth by the Eastern Canadian Region United Synagogue Youth (ECRUSY), and to act in accordance with the principles of Judaism as outlined by the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, Canadian Region, during my participation in any programme sponsored by ECRUSY or United Synagogue (International).

Any violation of this code may result in my being sent home at my parents' expense, and a letter sent to my parents, congregational Rabbi, congregational president, youth chairperson and youth director.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Signature of USYer

USY CODE OF CONDUCT

- Participant must be a paid member of USY in good standing
- No USYer shall violate any civil or criminal law, including but not limited to those related to: smoking, possession, consumption or use of any tobacco products, narcotics, marijuana, other illegal drugs or prescription drugs not prescribed for the user, shoplifting or theft of any kind, tampering of or destruction to property, and destruction of one's own or another person's physical and/or mental integrity. Inappropriate or unwelcome physical contact or language, indecent attire or public nudity is not permitted. If a USYer is caught in the presence of tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs, s/he will immediately be sent home at his/her parents' expense. The participants and their parents are responsible for the cost of any damage incurred. USY International policy states: "If a USYer is apprehended for an infraction of the International Youth Commission's policy regarding drug and alcohol abuse or any other criminal offense, including but not limited to shoplifting, punishment for that offense would include suspension from International events (including, but not limited to the International USY Convention and USY summer programmes) for one year following the infractions. Individuals will also be prohibited from participating in the next major regional USY programme and other events occurring in the interim, and prohibited from chairing events or staffing programmes for six months. Individuals already in leadership positions would be removed. A major Regional event is a regionally sponsored overnight event, such as a convention, Kinnus or Encampment." The region reserves the right to impose additional sanctions in connection with this or any other improper behaviour as it sees fit.
- ECRUSY reserves the right to search the room and belongings of any attendee if it has reasonable grounds to believe that such a search is necessary to secure the health, safety and/or welfare of the programme and or its participants. Judgment in such situations will be made by the Regional Youth Director in consultation with the Chair of the Regional Youth Commission or hosting synagogue.
- There is to be no possession of matches or lighters, pagers, walkie-talkies, stereos or laser pointers.
- Cellular phones are not to be used at any time during the convention.
- All males are expected to bring and wear tallit, t'fillin and kippot. Males are required to wear an appropriate head covering at all times. Females are invited to do the same.
- All convention delegates are expected to attend all parts of the programme, may not leave the facility unless specified by the schedule and must fully cooperate with the staff at all times.
- Proper and appropriate attire is expected at all times in compliance with the Dress Code Policy set by the International Youth Commission. USY Dress Code: Tzniut (modesty) is a long-standing Jewish value. As a people who see ourselves as reflecting the image of God, our Jewish community believes we should act accordingly; thus, some things are not appropriate, for they do not reflect our Jewish values. How we dress is a basic example of these values. Suggestive or revealing clothes for either men or women are not in keeping with Jewish law or sensibilities. Clothing on which any profanity or inappropriate language, pictures or symbols are written, printed or depicted is not permitted. No visible underwear is permitted for both males and females. Tank tops, bare midriff styles, halter-tops, leggings, or see-through blouses are not permitted. During t'fillot, inappropriately short skirts or shorts, or tight garments, are not permitted; shoulders must be covered for both males and females.
- Participants must attend all scheduled sessions, workshops, programmes, and meals, as well as participate in all religious services.
- All participants must be in their rooms at curfew and remain there. Males are not to enter female sleeping rooms and females are not to enter male sleeping rooms. Parties after returning to host homes, even with host permission, are not part of the convention activities and are forbidden.
- Each participant is expected to conduct him/herself appropriately as a Conservative Jew (including the observance of Shabbat and Kashrut) in accordance with applicable standards of the Law and Standards Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly and/or the local Rabbinical Authority.
- The Regional Youth Director, in consultation with the Regional Youth commission, reserves the right to enforce other rules relating to the integrity of the Regional Youth Programme and/or health, safety or welfare of its participants.

Parental Consent Form

I hereby give my child permission to attend the set programme sponsored by the Eastern Canadian Region United Synagogue Youth (ECRUSY) and I have read and approved the above statement that my child has signed. I have reviewed the Code of Conduct with my child and understand that he/she must comply with the Code or be subject to disciplinary action to be determined by the Regional Youth Director. I understand that my child may be sent home from the Convention at my expense if found to be in violation of this Code.

I will support the rules and regulations as outlined above. I understand that my child agrees to abide by the above rules and I assume parental responsibility for my child while in attendance at the programme. I acknowledge that United Synagogue (International) and/or ECRUSY, its servants, agents, employees and coordinating commissions (the Sponsor) have acted on my behalf to make arrangements for my child's participation in the programme. I understand that all necessary safety precautions, chaperones, and insurance have been arranged by the Region.

I agree that the sponsor shall not be liable or responsible to me or my child for any loss or damage to which he/she may sustain to any personal property, or for any loss or damage by reason of any delay, modification, curtailment of arrangements pertaining to services to be provided for, or facilities to be furnished or provided in connection with the participation of my child at the programme from whatever cause or source whatsoever, nor shall the sponsor be responsible or liable for any loss, damage or injury of any kind or manner whatsoever which may be caused, or which such child may sustain during his/her participation in the programme, whether such injury has been caused by the negligence of the sponsor, its servants, agents, employees or officers. As well, I agree to hold harmless and indemnify the ECRUSY Region of United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism from any and all claims or causes of action instituted by my child or on behalf of my child arising out of his/her participation in this Convention. I understand that I am liable for all damage caused by my child to the property of others, and will reimburse ECRUSY for such claims as determined by the Regional Youth Director.

The Sponsor has been, and is authorized by me, on behalf of my child, to alter or modify the itinerary or any of the arrangements made by the sponsor with respect to attendance by my child at the programme or modifications advisable, without prior consent, notice, or liability to me, transportation may be chartered bus, public transportation, or private vehicles.

I understand that in the event my child fails to abide by all of the rules and regulations set out above, that I or my designated replacement will be telephoned collect to arrange for public transportation to deliver my child to my home city, or determine when the parent/designate will pick up the applicant from the programme (depending on the location of the event and the home city).

I do not have any information or knowledge as to my child's physical or mental condition which would make my child's travel and/or participation in the programme hazardous, unwise, unwarranted or a potential source of danger to my child or any other who may participate in the programme with my child.

In the case of a medical emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the regional youth director or his/her designate to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and to order injection, anesthesia or surgery for my child as may be deemed appropriate. I also give permission to the physician selected by the regional youth director or his/her designate to treat my child for any illness or medication condition while at the programme. In the case of emergency, effort will be made to contact my designate or me. I agree to pay any expenses for medical expenses or medical services rendered to my child and accept responsibility for the payment of any loss, damage or destruction of any property by my child at the programme whether to the property of the sponsor or otherwise.

Furthermore, in the event that I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby grant permission to the physician selected by the convention director to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and to order injections, anesthesia, or surgery for my child as named above. Of course, in the event of an emergency, every effort will be made to reach the parents or their proxy.

I accept full responsibility for my child and his/her actions. The person named (emergency contact) can be contacted and may provide instructions to you in my place with respect to any matter of parental responsibility if I cannot be reached.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

DATE

Please make sure your completed application contains the following:

- Completed Application with rooming requests, medical information, and emergency contacts
- Participant Statement
- Parental Consent Form
- Sibling Discount and Additional Registration Information, if applicable
- Payment

**Once complete, please mail your application and payment to the Regional Office:
1000 Finch Ave West, Suite 508, Toronto, Ontario, M3J 2V5**

COST & TRANSPORTATION:

The total cost for this amazing leadership weekend experience is \$165 (early bird price) or \$180 for the regular deadline. The cost includes kosher catered meals and snacks, accommodations, transportation to and from the program, regalia, all program expenses and materials.

- Ottawa and Montreal USYers will travel to Toronto on Wednesday, August 20th. They will be billeted in home hospitality, and travel Thursday morning with the Toronto bus. Travel will be coordinated with Rabbi Jen Gorman and your youth director.
- London USYers should coordinate with Rabbi Gorman and your youth director for transportation to and from LTI.
- Buses from Toronto will depart approximately 9:30 am on Thursday, August 21st
- Transportation from Hamilton and St. Catharines will be organized privately.
- Tentative starting and ending times are Thursday, August 21, at 10:30 am through Sunday, August 24, at 12:00 pm.

Exact details regarding transportation and a “what to bring list” will be e-mailed out the week prior to LTI in the pre-convention mailing. Participants may wish to bring additional money for purchasing ECRUSY regalia and for SATO events.