

## **Kansas City to Be One of over 500 communities participating in Global Day of Jewish Learning November 20**

### **Reserve your place now**

Join over 500 communities in 40 plus countries and celebrate our shared Jewish text at this year's citywide Global Day of Jewish Learning, Sunday, November 20, 2016, 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Jewish Community Campus.

"The Global Day of Jewish Learning is a unique opportunity to join Jews all over the world in a powerful and important *mitzvah*. I'm honored to participate this year and to connect Kansas City to the broader Jewish community," states Rabbi Daniel Kirzane, The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah and rabbinic coordinator for this event. Global Day of Jewish Learning is a program sponsored by the Aleph Society and spearheaded by Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz. Each year, communities around the world are encouraged to study the same theme, and materials are available to facilitate learning for students of all ages.

Teacher, philosopher, social critic and prolific author Rabbi Adin Even-Israel Steinsaltz *states*: "Torah is the shared inheritance of all the Jewish people. It does not belong to a special sect or an elite group of the Jews. We have a responsibility to share our common heritage with all Jews. We each get an equal share."

Rabbi Steinsaltz further comments: "The Global Day serves one critical purpose. We are a nation that is spread all over the world, divided by distance, different languages and ways of life, and sometimes also by ideas. We are more fragmented than we can afford. When people of different ages and professions gather together and are immersed in a common cause, we create new common denominators, new shared experiences and values. These will serve us well — not just on one Global Day but also at other times and in other areas of life. We can feel that there is something that unites us."

Rabbi Neal Schuster will facilitate the Kansas City program that will focus on the global day theme: *Under the Same Sky: "The earth is full of your creations."* Following a video keynote address especially prepared for this program by Rabbi Steinsaltz, Rabbi Schuster will offer reflections, and facilitators Rabbi Beryl Padorr, Rabbi Shuster and HBHA faculty member, Michal Cahlon will lead groups through text study and informal discussions.

There is no fee to attend this event but reservations are required. For information or to reserve your place contact Annette Fish, Administrator/Program Director, Rabbinical Association by email [afprogram@aol.com](mailto:afprogram@aol.com) or call 913-327-4622. Rabbi Daniel Kirzane is the rabbinic coordinator for this event.

This learning program is sponsored by the Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City and the Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy. There is no charge to attend.