

INAUGURAL WEISSMAN ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE

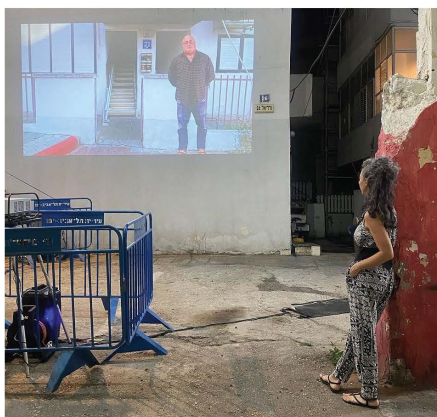
In May, JCFOC brought – all the way from Israel – our first **2023 Weissman Artist-in-Residence** under our newly reimagined program. Shirel Horovitz joined us here in the OC for a month-long residency.



During her time here, we organized and collaborated on 27 public and private events throughout the county with over 1,000+ people attending, and exposed her art to an additional 10,000 residents. Shirel had tandem gallery exhibitions, and her carefully crafted cross-denominational workshops, lectures, gallery tours, and historic Santa Ana tours engaged our Jewish community from our youngest members to our most senior.



While here, Shirel created a new video work *Gestures: A Portrait of Here & There* featuring 31 OC community members. Horovitz created a site-specific video as a lasting art piece that captures our OC community. **The film was featured this summer at Tel Aviv White Night festival** (pictured on the right.)



“ This was such a cool program! To bring the entire Jewish community together around art; to create “buzz” around Shirel’s artistic concepts by holding 27 events touching every Jewish community and niche in Orange County; to lift up Israel to Californians and its daily life and culture through the eyes of an artist—for all of this, kol hakavod, way to go! The Weissman Artist-in-Residence program with Shirel Horovitz was both fun and profound...
- Rabbi Miriam Philips, Director of Youth Learning & Family Engagement, Temple Bat Yam ”



theatre dybbuk, photo by Taso Papadakis

We are excited to share our next artist-in-residence is a theater company based in Los Angeles. theatre dybbuk will join us from November 30 through December 7, 2023. The cast, headed by Aaron Henne, creates provocative performances and innovative educational encounters that explore Jewish thought to illuminate the universal human experience. Please mark your calendars for the December 7th evening performance of *The Merchant of Venice* (Annotated), or *In Sooth I Know Not Why I Am So Sad*. Save the Date and additional details to follow.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023 GRANT RECIPIENTS

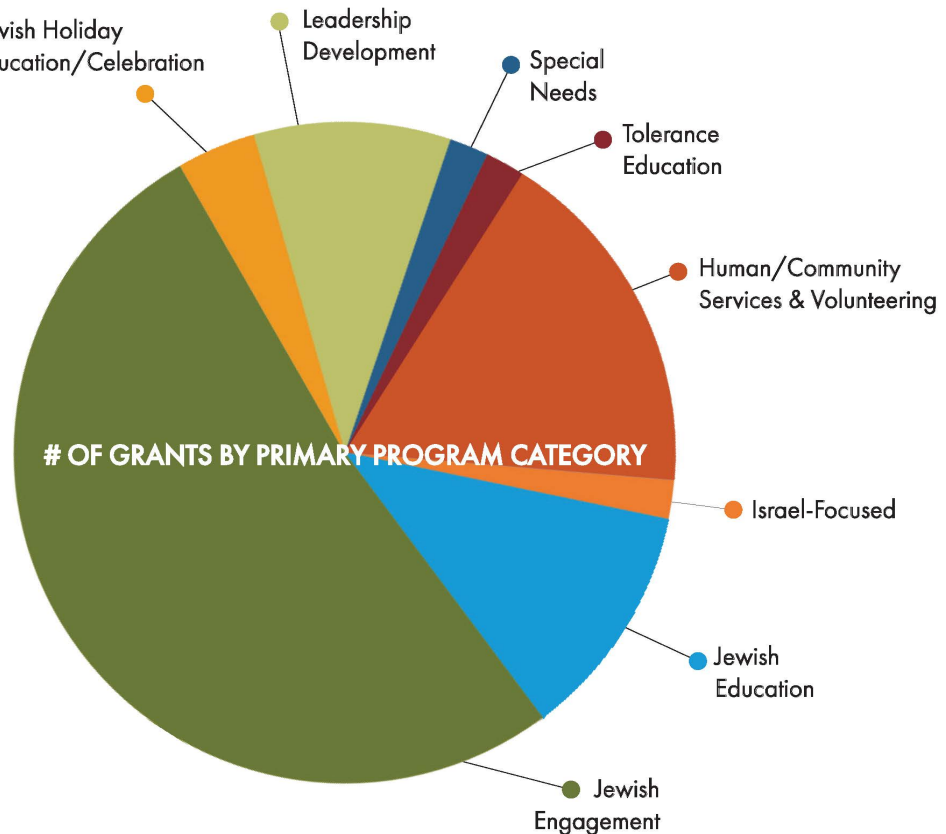
Since its inception, our **JCFOC GRANTS PROGRAMS** have awarded over **\$4 MILLION** to local Jewish nonprofit organizations serving Orange County.

This year, the JCFOC Grants Committee - made up of local community lay leaders awarded

52 GRANTS to
38 OC ORGANIZATIONS with
85,000 INDIVIDUALS
expected to participate

Funding for the **JCFOC GENERAL GRANTS PROGRAM** is made possible by the generosity of Foundation donors who had the foresight to establish **ENDOWMENT FUNDS** ensuring Orange County Jewish programming continues to thrive. Gifts may be made during one's lifetime or in one's estate plan.

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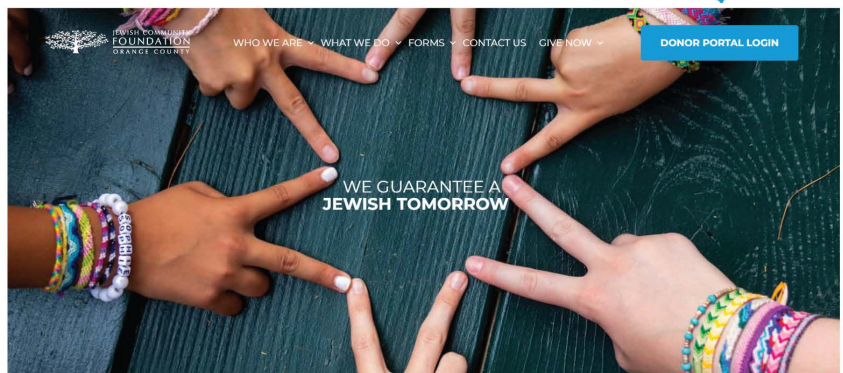
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Whether accessing the portal from a PC, Mac, cellphone, or tablet, the process has been streamlined for your convenience.



If you did not receive the initial email with instructions on how to log in, we are here to assist you. Please do not hesitate to contact us for support. Your continued partnership is vital to our community, and **WE THANK YOU FOR HELPING US GUARANTEE A JEWISH TOMORROW.**