We are excited to announce the spring 2021 events for the Swig Program in Jewish Studies and Social Justice. As long as the USF campus closure is in effect, we will continue to host all of our events online. Below you will find information about these online events, including links to register. As always, every event is free and open to the public. If you have questions, please contact Swig JSSJ Program Interim Director Oren Kroll-Zeldin at omkrollzeldin@usfca.edu.

They Ain't Ready for Me: Black-Jewish Activism and the Promise of a New Tomorrow
Sunday, March 7 • 5–6:30 p.m. • ONLINE
In the 11th Annual Swig JSSJ Program Social Justice Lecture, Black Jewish activist and rabbinical student Tamar Manasseh uses her experience combating gun violence with Mothers Against Senseless Killing (MASK), an organization she founded in Chicago to address the need for a new paradigm connecting the Black and Jewish communities. Manasseh will address how Black Jews are the bridge between these two communities and are the key to establishing a new alliance and an enduring partnership that will better serve the needs of both communities. While focusing on MASK’s efforts to curb gun violence in Chicago, Manasseh will also explore her own complex identity and motivations as a person who is Jewish and Black, and how these intersecting identities offer her a road map for addressing one of America’s most urgent crises. Manasseh is the subject of the documentary film They Ain’t Ready For Me (2020), directed by Brad Rothschild.

Register Here

Toward Climate Justice and Interfaith Solidarity
11th Annual Social Justice Seder
Wednesday, March 31 • 6:30–8 p.m. • ONLINE

The Swig Program in Jewish Studies and Social Justice is excited to present the 11th Annual Social Justice Passover Seder. This year's seder will focus on the urgent need for climate justice. With one foot in bondage
and another foot in freedom, in this interfaith seder we will retell the Exodus narrative and recommit to working together for a world of peace and plenty, joy and renewal, health and freedom, a world that all of our faiths and our traditions teach us is possible.

Register Here

In This Place Together: A Palestinian's Journey to Collective Liberation

Tuesday, April 20 • 11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m. • ONLINE

Based on their new book, In This Place Together, Jewish activist Penina Eilberg-Schwartz and Palestinian activist Sulaiman Khatib address the urgent need for joint nonviolent resistance and relationship building between Israelis and Palestinians. This book launch event will discuss personal transformation and the dangers and hopes of working with others across vast differences in power and experience. By examining Khatib's