



THE 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL DANA GERSHON AND RABBI JONAH PESNER  
**NORTHEAST LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2018**

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# #STRATEGY WORKSHOPS

*These workshops should allow participants to learn how others have turned their passions into real experiences; learn a new skill; and think about how to translate their ideas into real experiences.*

## CHANGE AGENT 007

Alexa Broida, Director, [ABroida@urj.org](mailto:ABroida@urj.org) | URJ Mitzvah Corps, [www.mitzvahcorps.org](http://www.mitzvahcorps.org)

Care about racial justice? Appreciate using a Jewish lens to address it? In this session we'll take it a little deeper to look at racial injustice within Jewish spaces, and the ways in which our communities (unintentionally) exclude or "other" Jews of Color. We'll take a look at the ways that Jewish traditions, rituals, stories, and norms have been modified to fit neatly into white European/American culture, and what we can do about it.

## CIVIC ENGAGEMENT - ROCK THE VOTE

Logan Zinman Gerber, National Teen Campaign Organizer, [LGerber@rac.org](mailto:LGerber@rac.org) | Religious Action Center, [www.rac.org](http://www.rac.org)

The RAC, NFTY, and 2 million Reform Jews across our movement are part of a nationwide, nonpartisan civic engagement campaign leading up to the November election. We have the power to elect leaders who will listen to us, their constituents, and make legislative moves on issues we care about. Learn how to be a leader in the Civic Engagement Campaign, and turn your community out to vote.

## GIVING ON PURPOSE

Alana Hollander, Program Associate, [alana@jtfn.org](mailto:alana@jtfn.org) | Jewish Teen Funder Network, [www.jtfn.org](http://www.jtfn.org)

Understand the power and benefits of giving as a group. Using Jewish values as a guide, participants will have the opportunity to make a decision about real dollars and how those funds should be allocated. Consider the value and importance of tzedakah and how you can use collective giving as a tool.

## HOW CAN SPIRITUALITY HELP REDUCE STRESS AND ANXIETY

Danny Mishkin, Camp Director, [danny@sabababeachaway.org](mailto:danny@sabababeachaway.org) | Sababa Beach Camps, [www.sabababeachaway.org](http://www.sabababeachaway.org)

Learn tools to help reduce stress and anxiety, become advocates for healthier school environments in relation to stress and anxiety, and learn to teach tools to help others gain more control over their emotions.

## HOW TO DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS THAT MOTIVATE OTHERS

Rabbi Liz Zeller, Director Learning and Innovation, [ezeller@urj.org](mailto:ezeller@urj.org) | NFTY, [www.nfty.org](http://www.nfty.org)

Have you ever wondered what it means to work on "recruitment" or "engagement"? YOU have the power to help build relationships and work with others towards a common goal. We will explore the importance of listening, relationship building, and making asks in order to help recruit and engage those around you

## LEADERSHIP WITHOUT A TITLE

Scott Magat, Director of High School Engagement, [smagat@aepi.org](mailto:smagat@aepi.org) | AEPi, [www.aepi.org](http://www.aepi.org)

Participants will learn how leadership does not come from having a title or position, rather having a passion to do something. You will learn the difference between what a Leader is and what a manager is and understand what it means to step-up within your organization.

## MEET ME IN THE MIDDLE: ESTABLISHMENT AND RESISTANCE

Jesse Cerrotti, Northeast Director, [jessecerrotti@gmail.com](mailto:jessecerrotti@gmail.com) | OneVoice, [www.ovcampus.org](http://www.ovcampus.org)

Improvise your way through a gauntlet of policy disagreements. Today, there is deep polarization in politics and general discourse. Sometimes dialectical polarization is generational, sometimes cultural, and sometimes religious, but it always spurs from a difference in your personal narrative. We are going to improvise a series of scenarios based in political disagreement to strengthen your toolkit on how to relate and communicate with someone who's personal narrative and beliefs are in opposition to your own.

## SH'MA YISRAEL: ACTIVE LISTENING

Rabbi Andrew Goodman, Dean of Students, NY, [agoodman@huc.edu](mailto:agoodman@huc.edu) | HUC-JIR, [www.huc.edu](http://www.huc.edu)

We can only meet the needs of our community if we are able to listen to what those needs are. And, more than just listening, to be effective leaders we must hear what and why others care about these needs. This session will help us articulate why hearing the factual and emotional dimensions of peoples' words is crucial. Then, we will practice techniques to help us all engage with curiosity and respect.

## TIKUN OLAM NOW- FROM THE LAST STEP TO THE FIRST ONE!

Guy Felixbrodt, Executive Director, [guy@jteenleadership.org](mailto:guy@jteenleadership.org) | J-Teen Leadership, [www.jteenleadership.org](http://www.jteenleadership.org)

Want to change the world but don't know how? Eager to make a difference but feeling overwhelmed? Feel like you don't have enough time to make a dent towards a deserving purpose? Come and learn from an effective and accomplished community leader with decades of experience, how to make it work and fit in the busiest schedule. We will deepen the art of juggling tasks, literally.