

“The Jewish Diaspora of the Caribbean”

An International Conference

January 12-14, 2010 Kingston, Jamaica

We are pleased to announce the forthcoming conference **“The Jewish Diaspora of the Caribbean”** to be held at the Pegasus Hotel of Kingston, Jamaica beginning on Tuesday January 12 to Thursday January 14, 2010. The conference is co-sponsored by the **United Congregation of Israelites of Jamaica, The Institute for Sephardic Studies of the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, University of the West Indies, Institute of Jewish Sites and Monuments, The Jamaica Tourist Board** and the **Commonwealth Jewish Council**.

Leading experts from the United States, Jamaica, Israel and France will explore such topics as **Atlantic trading networks, cultural history** including **architecture, music,** and **religion**, as well as **Jewish/Portuguese identity**. Subsequent publication of the conference proceedings is planned.

Anyone with an interest in the Jewish Caribbean is welcome to attend. Special activities are being arranged for those in attendance including a “breakfast with the experts.” Additional activities to explore historic, contemporary and Jewish Jamaica are being organized by the United Congregation of Israelites of Jamaica for those who wish to stay over the weekend.

Our appointed travel agent **“Regina Tours”** in conjunction with **“Soul of Jamaica”** is available to help you plan your visit to this exciting conference and vacation. Package travel arrangements with conference registration and discounts are available.

The Jamaica Tourist Board welcomes your visit to Jamaica or your **“make it Jamaica again”** for this conference and your exploration of Jamaica’s Jewish history.

Sincerely,

Jane S. Gerber, Prof. of Jewish History,

The Graduate Center of the City University of New York, Conference Co-Chair

Ainsley Cohen Henriques, Director, United Congregation of Israelites,

Kingston; Past Chairman, Jamaica National Heritage Trust, Conference Co-Chair

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