

REBEKAH KLEIN-PEJŠOVÁ

EDUCATION

Ph.D., History, Columbia University, May 2007.
M.A., History, Central European University, Budapest, July 1996.
B.A., History, Bard College, May 1994.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Purdue University, Associate Professor, July 2015 – present.
Purdue University, Assistant Professor, August 2008 – July 2015.
Director of Undergraduate Studies, August 2018 – December 2019.
Director of the Human Rights Program at Purdue, August 2015 – present.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Modern Jewish and East Central European History; Jewish/state relations, comparative nationalism, refugee studies, human rights studies

LANGUAGES

English (native language), Czech, Slovak, Hungarian, German.

AWARDS & HONORS

Appointed as Co-Editor of *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* (Purdue University Press), December 2021
Awarded a College of Liberal Arts ASPIRE grant, December 2021, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN (*returned due to COVID-19 travel limitations*)
Awarded the State of Indiana's Never Again Ambassador Award along with all the members of the Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Committee (GLHRC) by the Indianapolis Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) and the Indiana Civil Rights Commission (ICRC), November 2021
Winner of a Purdue University Teaching Academy Award for Exceptional Teaching and Instructional Support during the COVID-19 pandemic, April 2021
Awarded the Kenneth T. Kofmehl Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award, April 2020, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
Appointed as Associate Editor of *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies* (Purdue University Press), December 2019, from September 2020
Awarded a Faculty Development Center for Humanistic Studies Fellowship for appointment in the center for the spring 2020 semester, December 2018, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
Nominated for the Kenneth T. Kofmehl Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award, December 2019, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
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December 2017, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
 Awarded a College of Liberal Arts SAIL grant, September 2016, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
 Appointed to the Editorial Board of Purdue University Press, March 2016, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
 Awarded a College of Liberal Arts Library Scholars Grant, March 2016, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
 Awarded a College of Liberal Arts ASPIRE grant, March 2016, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
 Awarded a College of Liberal Arts INNOVATE grant for development of Human Rights Program, September 2015, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
 Awarded a College of Liberal Arts ASPIRE grant, September 2015, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
 Winner of 2013-2014 Jon C. Teaford Faculty Award, Department of History, Purdue University
 Appointed to the International Editorial Board of *Oriens Aliter* by the Faculty of Arts, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic (<http://oa.ff.cuni.cz/en>), 2014
 Awarded 2013 Library Scholars Grant, Purdue University
 Appointed to the International Editorial Board of *Forum Historiae* by the Institute of History, Slovak Academy of Sciences (<http://www.forumhistoriae.sk/>), 2013
 Appointed to Steering Committee of the Society for Austrian and Habsburg History, 2012
 Nominee for 2010 Baron Jewish Studies Dissertation Prize, Columbia University
 ACLS Dissertation Fellowship in East European Studies, 2005-2006.
 AAASS National Essay Award Finalist May 2004.
 Harriman Institute Junior Fellowship Award for Dissertation Research, 2003-2004.
 Meier Dissertation Research Fellowship, 2002-2003.
 Fellow of the Center for Historical Social Sciences, Columbia University, 2002.
 Fellow of the Európa Intézet, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, 2002.
 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship for Hungarian, 2001-2002.
 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship for Czech, summer 1999.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Mapping Jewish Loyalties in Interwar Slovakia. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, Modern Jewish Experience book series, 2015.

Refereed Journal Articles

“De-Fiddler-on-the-Roof-ization” contribution to Forum in Honor of István Deák (the late Seth Low Professor of History, Columbia University), *Journal of Austrian-American History*. Article accepted March 1, 2023. Expected publication summer, 2023.

“The 1919 Census on the Territory of Slovakia,” *Slovakia*, Vol. XLII (2015), pp. 7-34.

"Beyond the 'Infamous Concentration Camps of the Old Monarchy': Jewish Refugee Policy from Wartime Austria-Hungary to Interwar Czechoslovakia," *Austrian History Yearbook*, volume 45 (April 2014), pp.150-166.

"Building Slovak Jewry: Communal Reorientation in Interwar Czechoslovakia," *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies*, Vol. 30, No. 4, Summer 2012, pp. 18-40.

"Abandon Your Role as Exponents of the Magyars": Contested Jewish Loyalty in Interwar (Czecho)Slovakia," *Association for Jewish Studies Review*, Vol. 33, No. 2, November 2009, pp. 341-362.

Book Chapters

"Temporalities of Postwar Jewish Emigration," in Jonathan Karp, James Loeffler, Nancy Sinkoff, and Howard Lupovitch, eds., *A Jew in the Street: On the Civic Identity of Modern Jews* (Wayne State University Press) festschrift volume in honor of Michael Stanislawski, our Columbia University advisor (*forthcoming fall 2024*).

"The Budapest Jewish Community's Galician October," in Marsha Rozenblit and Jonathan Karp, eds., *World War I and the Jews, Conflict and Transformations in Europe, the Middle East, and America* (New York-Oxford: Berghahn Books, August 2017), pp. 112-130.
<http://www.berghahnbooks.com/title/RozenblitWorld>

"Between refugees and the state: Hungarian Jewry and the wartime Jewish refugee crisis in Austria-Hungary," in Peter Gatrell (Manchester University) and Lyubov Zhvanko (Poltava University), eds., *Europe on the Move, Refugees in the Era of the Great War* (Manchester, UK: Manchester University Press, June 2017), pp.156-176.
<http://www.manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk/9781784994419/>

"Across the Iron Curtain – Hungarian Jewish Refugees in Austria, 1945-49: The Letters to Enns," in Randolph L. Braham and András Kovács, eds., *The Holocaust in Hungary: Seventy Years Later* (Budapest-New York: Central European University Jewish Studies Program and Central European University Press, 2016), pp. 195-212.

"Zvláštny prípad rabína Dr. Samuela Funka, alebo vnímanie národnosť Židov na Slovensku medzi vojnami ["The Strange Case of Rabbi Dr. Samuel Funk, Or, Perceptions of Jewish Nationality in Interwar Slovakia"], in Matej Medvecký, ed., *Fenomén Bratislava: Zborník z vedeckej konferencie* [Phenomenon Bratislava] Spisy Európskej Sieť Pamät a Solidarita, zväzok 3 (Bratislava, Slovakia: Ústav Pamäti Národa, 2011), pp. 364-375.

Book Forums

"Rights Protection has a Geography," *Shofar*, vol. 37, no. 1, 2019, pp. 171–178. Book forum on *Rooted Cosmopolitans: Jews and Human Rights in the Twentieth Century* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2018), by James Loeffler.

Other Articles

Jewish Emancipation: A History Across Five Centuries, by David Sorkin, for the George L. Mosse blog at University of Wisconsin at Madison. August 2021 (*declined due to death of parent*)

"World War One Displacement: Europe on the Move," *Refugee History* (blog), March 10, 2018 (5:42 a.m.), <http://refugeehistory.org/blog/2018/3/10/world-war-one-displacement-europe-on-the-move>.

Klein-Pejšová, Rebekah, and Silvia Z. Mitchell. "Introduction." [Forum in honor of Charles Ingrao] *Austrian History Yearbook* 48 (2017): 129-30. doi: 10.1017/S006723781600059X.

“Thoughts on Jud Nirenberg’s *Gypsy Movements*,” essay contribution in Jud Nirenberg, *Gypsy Movements* (Schlimmer Publishing, 2014), kindle e-book location 5570-5599.

"Memorial Plaque for Fallen Jewish Soldiers," and "Rabbi Dr. Samuel Funk," articles for *The Jews of Bratislava and Their Heritage, an exhibition catalogue*, Maroš Borský and Jana Švantnerová, et al, eds. (Bratislava, Slovakia: Synagoga Bratislava, 2012), pp.46-47, 52-53.

"An Overview of the History of the Jews in Slovakia" <http://www.slovak-jewish-heritage.org/history-of-jews-in-slovakia.html> (2006).

"Taking the Bad with the Good," *Transitions Online*, July 10, 2001.

Book Reviews

Messengers of Disaster: Raphael Lemkin, Jan Karsai, and Twentieth-Century Genocides, by Annette Becker. *American Historical Review* (forthcoming)

Everyday Zionism in East Central Europe: Nation Building in War and Revolution, 1914-1920, by Jan Rybak. *Slavic Review*, volume 82, issue 1, Spring 2023, pages 220-222. <https://doi.org/10.1017/slr.2023.122>

Borders on the Move: Territorial Change and Ethnic Cleansing in the Hungarian-Slovak Borderlands, 1938-1948, by Leslie Waters. *The English Historical Review*, Volume 137, Issue 585, April 2022, Pages 638-640. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ehr/ceac034>

A Specter Haunting Europe: The Myth of Judeo-Bolshevism, by Paul Hanebrink. *Journal of Religious History*, volume 45, number 4, 2021, pages 668-669. <http://doi:10.1111/1467-9809.12782>

The Human Rights Dictatorship: Socialism, Global Solidarity, and Revolution in East Germany AND Amnesty International and Human Rights Activism in Postwar Britain, 1945-1977, by Ned Richardson-Little AND Tom Buchanan, respectively. *American Historical Review* (invitation for joint review declined due to death of parent)

Toward Nationalism’s End: An Intellectual Biography of Hans Kohn (The Tauber Institute Series for the Study of European Jewry), by Adi Gordon. *The American Historical Review*, Volume 124, Issue 2, April 2019, Pages 737–738. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ahr/rhz187>

Lessons of the Holocaust, Michael R. Marrus, Foreword by Margaret MacMillan, *The Canadian Journal of History / Annales canadiennes d’histoire*, 53.1 6 (2018), pp.182-184

Czechs, Slovaks, and the Jews, 1938-1948, by Jan Láníček, forthcoming in *Holocaust Studies: A Journal of Culture and History*.

Arnošt Frischer and the Jewish Politics of Early 20th-Century Europe, by Jan Láníček, *Judaica Bohemiae*, Vol. LII, no. 2 (2017), pp.133-135.

Zionists in Interwar Czechoslovakia: Minority Nationalism and the Politics of Belonging, by Tatjana Lichtenstein, *Hungarian Historical Review*, Vol. 5, no. 4 (2016), pp. 911-913.

- Beyond Violence: Jewish Survivors in Poland and Slovakia, 1944–1948*, by Anna Chichopek-Gajraj, *The Journal of Modern History*, Vol. 88, Issue 4 (2016), pp. 985-986.
- Collect and Record! Jewish Holocaust Documentation in Early Postwar Europe*, by Laura Jockusch, for *History: Reviews of New Books*, 42:4 (2014), 136-137.
- Rabbis and Revolution: The Jews of Moravia in the Age of Emancipation*, by Michael Laurence Miller, *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies*, Vol. 30, No. 4, Summer 2012, pp. 171-173, and <http://www.case.edu/artsci/jdst/reviews/Rabbis.htm>.
- Central European Crossroads: Social Democracy and National Revolution in Bratislava (Pressburg), 1867-1921*, by Pieter C. van Duin, *H-Net Reviews*, April 19, 2011, <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=30806>.
- Trapped: Essays on the History of the Czech Jews, 1939-1943*, by Ruth Bondy, *Shofar: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Jewish Studies*, Vol. 29, No. 3, spring 2011, pp. 137-139, and www.case.edu/artsci/jdst/mjsa.html.
- Jews at the Crossroads: Tradition and Accommodation during the Golden Age of the Hungarian Nobility, 1729-1878*, by Howard N. Lupovitch, *Austrian History Yearbook*, Vol. 40, April 2009, pp. 320-321.
- The Carpathian Diaspora: The Jews of Subcarpathian Rus' and Mukachevo*, by Yeshayahu A. Jelinek, *Journal of Ukrainian Studies*, Vol. 33-34 (2008-2009), pp. 520-522.
- Emancipace od židů" Český antisemitismus na konci 19. století* ["Emancipation from the Jews" Czech Antisemitism at the End of the 19th Century] by Michal Frankl, *East European Jewish Affairs*, Vol. 39 (2009), No. 1, pp. 144-145.
- Nejisté útočiště. Československo a uprchlíci před nacismem, 1933-1938* [Uncertain Refuge. Czechoslovakia and the Refugees from Nazism], by Katařina Čapková and Michal Frankl, *Lidové noviny, příloha Orientace*, January 24, 2009.
- "*Dospívání s 'tajemstvím,'* [Growing up with a Secret]" review of Alena Heitlinger, *In the Shadows of the Holocaust and Communism: Czech and Slovak Jews Since 1945* for *Lidové noviny Orientace*, 28 July 2007.
- A History of Hungary: Millennium in Central Europe*, by László Kontler, *H-Net Reviews*, August 18, 2005.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Books

Paths of Postwar Jewish Diaspora

Edited Volumes

Jewish Contact Across the Iron Curtain: Meetings and Movements of Jewish People & Artifacts across Cold-War Boundaries, co-edited with Jacob Labendz (Ramapo College). Arising from

May 2022 symposium at Youngstown State University. Submitting book proposal to Purdue University Press.

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

International

Participant in Together We Remember Virtual Global Allyship Summit, January 16-18, 2021

“Afterlives of Interwar Geographies of Jewish Rights in the Aftermath of the Second World War,” paper presentation for workshop “Between and Beyond the World Wars: Innovative approaches to the Polish Jewish Experience in the Interwar Period,” at POLIN: The Museum of the History of Polish Jews, Warsaw, Poland, 24-26 June 24-26, 2020. *Postponed and then cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.*

“Geographies of Rights and Postwar Jewish Population Displacement, 1945-1952,” paper presentation on panel, “Sovereignties beyond Borders: Bodies, Movements, and States in the 20th-21st Centuries,” for the 26th International Conference of Europeanists, “Sovereignties in Contention: Nations: Regions and Citizens in Europe,” Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Puerta de Toledo Campus, Madrid, Spain, June 20-22, 2019.

“Postavení židovské komunity v postkomunistických zemích střední, východní, a jihovýchodní Evropy [Position of the Jewish Community in the Post-Communist Lands of Central Eastern, and Southeastern Europe],” course taught for the Erasmus Program project “Transformace postkomunistických států a společností ve střední, východní, a jihovýchodní Evropě po roypadu sovětského svazu (bloku) [Transformation of the Post-Communist States and Society in Central, Eastern, and Southeastern Europe after the Fall of the Soviet Union (Bloc)],” Faculty of Arts, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic, December 3-20, 2018.

“Between Refugees and the State: Hungarian Jews and the Wartime Jewish Refugee Crisis in Austria-Hungary,” paper presentation [in absentia] for international conference, “Writing at War, writing the War. Soldiers and Civilians of Austria-Hungary in the Great War,” Populations Déplacées, CREE (Inalco), UMR SIRICE (Paris I – Paris IV), LABEX EHNE, GDR “Connaissance de l’Europe médiane”, Centre tchèue (Paris) Paris, France, October 13-14, 2016.

“Commemorating the 10.000,” paper presentation for international conference, “Jewish Soldiers in the Collective Memory of Central Europe: The Remembrance of World War One from a Jewish Perspective,” organized by the Center for Jewish Studies at the Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz, Austria, May 23-25, 2016.

Book launch, *Mapping Jewish Loyalties in Interwar Slovakia*, Židovský kultúrny inštitút [Jewish Cultural Institute], Bratislava, Slovakia, June 29, 2015.

Invited to present "Between Refugees and the State: Hungarian Jews and Wartime Hungarian Refugee Policy," chapter draft for part two of the international workshop "Europe on the Move: the Great War and its Refugees, 1914-1918," sponsored by the British Academy of Sciences, to take place June 26-27, 2015 at the University of Poltava, Ukraine. This is the second workshop of an international research project to publish the forthcoming book *Europe on the Move: The Great War and Its Refugees, 1914-1918* (Manchester University Press).

"Between Refugees and the State: Hungarian Jews and Wartime Hungarian Refugee Policy," paper presentation for "World War One and the Jews," conference sponsored by the Center for

Jewish History and New York University's Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, November 9-10, 2014 at the Center for Jewish History in New York City.

<http://www.cjh.org/thegreatwar/#conference>

Book launch discussant for *Czechs, Slovaks, and the Jews, 1938-1948*, by Jan Láníček, November 6, 2014 at the Center for Jewish History in New York City.

"Between Refugees and the State: Hungarian Jews and the Wartime Jewish Refugee Crisis in Austria-Hungary," chapter presentation for the workshop "Europe on the Move: the Great War and its Refugees, 1914-1918," sponsored by the British Academy of Sciences, June 26-27, 2014 at the University of Manchester, UK.

Roundtable presentation "American Jews from Central Europe," for the NEH sponsored 2014 Summer Institute "East Central European Diasporas in America: 20th Century Case Studies," June 11, 2014 at Columbia University in the City of New York.

"Across the Iron Curtain: Hungarian Jewish Refugees in Austria, 1945-1950," conference presentation, "The Holocaust in Hungary: Seventy Years Later," March 19, 2014 at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.

"Zvláštny prípad rabína Dr. Samuela Funka, alebo vnímanie národnosť Židov na Slovensku medzi vojnami [The Strange Case of Rabbi Dr. Samuel Funk, Or, Perceptions of Jewish Nationality in Interwar Slovakia]," Paper presentation "*Fenomén Bratislava*," Bratislava, Slovakia, September 21-22, 2010.

"An Irreconcilable Conflict of Interests: The Hero's Temple Memorial Project in Budapest and the Emergence of Slovak Jewry," presented at the international Jewish Studies workshop "Jews and the Legacies of Empire" at the Central European University in Budapest, May 2005.

"Židia na Slovensku počas a po prevratom [Jews in Slovakia During and After the Fall of Austria-Hungary]," invited talk at the Jewish Community of Bratislava, August 2004.

National

"Fostering Postwar Jewish Continuity from Slovakia to the 'Newly Discovered Continent, America,'" paper presentation for the Association for Jewish Studies (AJS) annual meeting, Tuesday, December 20, 2022, Boston

"Uncomfortable In-Betweens: 20th century Jewish Migration from/in East-Central Europe," session comment for the Association for Slavic East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) annual convention, Sunday, November 13, 2022, Chicago

"Landscape, Environment, and Cultural Sovereignty in Socialist Central Europe," session comment for the Association for Slavic East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) annual convention, Friday, November 11, 2022, Chicago

Panel presenter at the National Higher Education Consortium of Directors of Holocaust, Genocide, and Human Rights Centers at Manhattan College, NY, June 30, 2022.

Presenter on roundtable, “How East-Central Europe Changed: The István Deák School of History,” for the American Historical Association (AHA) annual virtual meeting, February 27, 2022.

Panel Discussant and chair for “Meetings and Movements Across Cold War Boundaries: Jewish People and Artifacts in Contact,” for the Association for Jewish Studies (AJS) annual meeting, Tuesday, December 21, 2021, Chicago

Roundtable presenter and chair for book panel on Dominique Reill’s *The Fiume Crisis: Life in the Wake of the Habsburg Empire*, for the Association for Slavic East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) annual convention, Saturday, November 20, 2021, New Orleans

Discussant for book talk, Leslie Water’s *Borders on the Move: Territorial Change and Ethnic Cleansing in the Hungarian-Slovak Borderlands, 1938-1948*, June 16, 2021

“Borders of Temporality in the US Zone Jewish Displaced Persons Camp,” for the virtual Association for Slavic East European and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, Saturday, November 7, 2020.

Breakout session on fundraising and grant writing, National Higher Education Consortium of Directors of Holocaust, Genocide, and Human Rights Centers, at The Sam and Frances Fried Holocaust and Genocide Academy at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO), Omaha, Nebraska, December 6, 2019.

Discussant for panel, “Refugees and the Formation of Belief in Post-World War I Eastern Europe,” for the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, San Francisco, CA, November 25, 2019.

“A Grotesquely Familiar Landscape: Jewish Self-Defense Strategies and the Experience of Rupture,” for the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, San Francisco, CA, November 24, 2019.

“Chapters from the Persecution of Slovak Jews,” talk on the occasion of the opening the exhibition on the “Tragedy of Slovak Jewry,” prepared by the National Czech and Slovak Museum, sponsored by The Center for Judaic and Holocaust Studies, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH, April 30, 2019.

Book launch event *World War I and the Jews* paperback edition, Center for Jewish History in New York City, November 11, 2018.

“Contact: Benjamin Eichler, Postwar Jewish Communal Networks, and the Czechoslovak State,” paper presentation on panel “Persecution, Resistance and Recovery: Jewish Experiences in Eastern Europe,” for the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, Chicago, IL, November 9-12, 2017.

“Writing Refugee History: Regional and International Perspectives,” roundtable presentation for the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, Chicago, IL, November 9-12, 2017.

“Making ‘Black Alijah’: Paths of Jewish Postwar Dispersion,” paper presentation on panel “Postwar Strategies and Functions of Jewish Classification in Central Europe and Its Diasporas,”

for the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, Washington, D.C., November 17, 2016.

“Budapest’s Galician October: Hungarian Jews and the World War One Jewish Refugee Crisis,” invited talk sponsored by Bard College’s Historical Studies Program, Jewish Studies Program, and Office of Alumni Affairs, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY, April 12, 2016.

Discussant for panel, “Neither Jerusalem nor New York: ‘Alternative’ Jewish Locations after the Shoah,” Association for Jewish Studies (AJS) Convention, Boston, MA, December 2015.

“A Fate Tied to the Integrity of Interwar Czechoslovakia’s Borders,” paper presentation on panel “Security and Threat in Interwar East Central Europe’s Borderlands,” for the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, Philadelphia, PA, November 2015.

Discussant for panel, “Holocaust memory during Communism in Hungary,” for the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, Philadelphia, PA, November 2015.

“Zionists Against the Party’: State Suspicion of Postwar Jewish Communal Networks,” paper presentation for ICRAR Seminars on Antisemitism and Racism: Theory, Holocaust Studies and Post-Colonialism, Association for Jewish Studies (AJS) Convention, Baltimore, Maryland, December 2014.

“The World War One Jewish Refugee Crisis in Austria-Hungary,” invited talk at Ramapo College, New Jersey, Gross Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, November 11, 2014.

Roundtable presenter “Introducing the study of antisemitism: What do undergraduates need to know?” Association for Jewish Studies (AJS) Convention, Boston, MA, December 2013.

“Our Slovak’ Resigns: Hugo Roth and the New Jewish Question in 1930s Slovakia,” paper presentation on panel “Rethinking Antisemitism in Eastern Europe I: State, Society, and the Jews,” for the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, Boston, MA, November 2013.

“Beyond the Infamous Concentration Camps of the Old Monarchy’: Refugee Policy from Wartime Austria-Hungary to Interwar Czechoslovakia.” Paper presentation on panel “Refugee Care and Control: Changing Regimes in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Central Europe” sponsored by the Society for Austrian and Habsburg History, American Historical Association (AHA) convention, New Orleans, January 2013.

Roundtable presenter “A Shared and Contested Past: Hungary and Slovakia since 1918,” Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) convention, New Orleans, November 2012.

Discussant for panel, “After the Holocaust: Prosecuting, Witnessing, and Remembering in Postwar Czechoslovakia,” ASEEES convention, New Orleans, November 2012.

Discussant for panel “Fantasies of Jewish Power,” for the Association for Jewish Studies (AJS) Convention, Washington D.C., December 2011.

"Building Slovak Jewry: The Emergence of Slovak Jewish Identity in Interwar Czechoslovakia." talk for the Society for the History of Czechoslovak Jews at the Czech Center, New York City, March 2011. Klein-Pejšová has been working with the new director of the Society, Eva Derman, on reviving the scholarly activities of this organization, including the lecture series sponsored by the Czech Center in spring 2011 featuring Professor Hillel Kieval, Washington University in St. Louis ("The Emergence of Nationalism in the 19th Century Habsburg Monarchy"), Professor Anna Cichopek-Gajraj, Arizona State University ("Jewish Politics in Interwar Silesia and Galicia"), and Rebekah Klein-Pejšová.

"Post-Communist Jewish Historiography." presentation for roundtable "20 Years After the Cold War: Recent Developments in East Central European Historiography," ASEEEES convention, Los Angeles, California, November 2010.

"Teaching Holocaust and Genocide." presentation for roundtable "Holocaust Pedagogy in the University Setting," AJS convention, Boston, Massachusetts, December 2010.

Discussant for panel "Unwelcome Return Home: Integration and Alienation of Jews in Post-War Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union," for the AJS convention, Boston, Massachusetts, December 2010.

"The 1919 Census of the Territory of Slovakia." Paper presented at the ASEEEES convention, Boston, Massachusetts, November 2009.

"Contested Slovak-Jewish Loyalty in Interwar Czechoslovakia." Rough Draft of manuscript introduction presented at the Tenth Annual Czech Studies Workshop, Columbia University, New York City, May 2009.

Discussant for panel "Jewish Public Opinion in Revolutionary Russia," at the ASEEEES convention, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 2008.

"Territories of Interwar Jewish Self-Perception: The Case of Slovakia." Paper presented at the Association for the Study of Nationalities (ASN) conference, Columbia University, New York City, April 2008. Organized panel, "Rethinking Jewish Identities from Interwar to Post-Communist East Central Europe."

"Building Slovak Jewry: Material Evidence of Reorientation as Citizens of Czechoslovakia," AJS conference, December 2007.

"Jewish Nationality and the Jews in Slovakia: The Case of Rabbi Dr. Samuel Funk," AAASS conference, November 2007.

"Abandon Your Role as Exponents of the Magyars," Association for Jewish Studies conference, December 2006. Organizer of panel, "Contested Loyalty: Jewish Citizens and the East Central European State."

"Contested Loyalty: Jewish Nationality and the Jews in Interwar Slovakia," Association for the Study of Nationalities conference, March 2006.

"They have completely inundated the countryside': Galician Jewish Refugees in the Kingdom of Hungary during the First World War," AAASS convention, November 2005. Organizer of panel, "Dislocation and Classification: War and Refugees in Austria-Hungary."

Regional

"Geographies of Postwar Jewish Emigration," invited speaker for Phi Alpha Theta (PAT) History Honors Society, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, March 24, 2022. (*postponed*)

"Refugees and Displacement," invited speaker for Model United Nations Conference for Harrison and West Lafayette High School, West Lafayette, IN, March 5, 2022.

"Geographies of Postwar Jewish Emigration," Department of History HGSA Works in Progress Presentation, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, April 1, 2021

"Spinning Trust between Jews and their Neighbors in the Heart of the Diaspora," recorded lecture for the **2020 Big Read at Purdue**, on Naomi Novik's *Spinning Silver* (2018), October 6, 2020
<https://cla.purdue.edu/english/thebigread/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/BigRead-Spinning-Silver-rkp.pdf> ; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LDRri0KpTRc>

Roundtable presenter for panel "Critical Data Studies and Violence" as part of the Spring 2020 Critical Data Studies Seminar Series, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, 24 April 2020. *Postponed due to Covid-19 pandemic.*

"Personal Sovereignty and Geographies of Displacement," Purdue East Asia Conference, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, 21 October 2019.

Discussant at Sociology of Religion Symposium, Department of Sociology, 6 September 2019, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, 6 September 2019.

Discussant for History Graduate Student Association 8th Biennial Conference panel, "New Approaches to Historical Thinking," Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, 2 March 2019.

Discussed film, "Intent to Destroy," (2017) on the Armenian Genocide at a special screening for History and Human Rights students at Wabash Landing Cinemas, West Lafayette, IN, March 27, 2018.

Discussant at Purdue Policy Research Institute "Security and Democracy" Symposium, Dauch Alumni Center, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, April 20, 2017.

"Across the Iron Curtain: Postwar Jewish Displacement, Dispersion, and Contact," Library Scholars Grant Presentations by 2016 recipients, HSSE Instructional Center, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, April 6, 2017.

Presented and led discussion on film, "Well-Founded Fear," for the 2016 Purdue World Film Forum, Lafayette Theater, Lafayette, IN, November 7, 2016.

Presenter on faculty panel discussion on the Judgement at Nuremberg pre-show discussion organized by Purdue Convocations, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, October 18, 2016.
<https://www.purdue.edu/convocations/judgment-nuremberg-pre-show-discussion/>

Organized, attended, and commented on sessions at the Human Rights Program Spring Forum, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, March 11-12, 2016, creating the university-based Human Rights Program here at Purdue.

Invited speaker for meeting of the Indiana Board of Rabbis, Indianapolis, IN, March 8, 2016. "Can we Talk About a 3rd Purim?"

Discussed film, "Woman in Gold," for screening sponsored by the Greater Lafayette Holocaust Remembrance Conference (GLHRC) and the History Graduate Student Association (HGSA), Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, November 9, 2015.

Book Launch, *Mapping Jewish Loyalties in Interwar Slovakia*, Borna Jewish Studies Program Faculty/Graduate Student seminar, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, April 24, 2015.

"Between Refugees and the State: Hungarian Jews and Wartime Hungarian Refugee Policy," paper presented for the Jewish Studies Program Noon Lecture Series, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, November 12, 2014.

"Across the Iron Curtain: Hungarian Jewish Refugees in Austria, 1945-1951," Library Scholars Grant Presentations by 2013 recipients, HSSE Instructional Center, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, April 15, 2014.

"The Great Greater Lafayette Jewish Scavenger Hunt" Presentation for the annual meeting of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society at Temple Israel, West Lafayette, IN, April 21, 2013, featuring projects by four undergraduate and one graduate student.

Discussant for panel "Tracing National Identity Across Crooked Lines," for the Purdue History Graduate Student Biennial Conference, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, March 30, 2013.

"Of Memory and Forgetting at the Passover Seder" Purdue Jewish Studies Roundtable Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, March 21, 2013.

"The Great Greater Lafayette Jewish Scavenger Hunt." Presentation of local Jewish history project completed in the HIST 39000 "Jews in the Modern World" course for the Jewish Studies Program Noon Lecture Series, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, March 7, 2012, featuring the work of undergraduate students Jennifer McVeigh and Rachel Levine.

"The Strange Case of Rabbi Dr. Samuel Funk, Or, Jewish Nationality in Interwar (Czecho)Slovakia." Paper presented for the Jewish Studies Program Noon Lecture Series, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, March 10, 2010.

"'They Have Completely Inundated the Countryside': War and the Jewish Refugee Crisis." Manuscript chapter presented to the Purdue University Department of History Works-In-Progress series, West Lafayette, Indiana, January 28, 2010.

"Loyalty and Modern Jewish History: The Case of Interwar east central Europe." Talk at the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph's Valley, South Bend, Indiana, January 17, 2010.

"The Second Life of the Torah from Bzenec, Moravia." Talk at Temple Israel, West Lafayette, Indiana, January 23, 2009.

"Commemorating the 10,000. The Hero's Temple in Budapest and the Jews in Slovakia, 1927-1931," Mid-Atlantic Region Slavic Conference, 27 March 2004. Organizer of panel, "Historical Discontinuities and Identity Composition: The Politics of Commemoration in 20th Century East Central Europe and Post-Soviet Russia."