

Here's what Jewish audiences are saying about our program:

Jews today need more information on why Israel does what it does, and why, so often, the media's portrayal is so inaccurate. *Understanding the Middle East Conflict*, as presented by the JCRC, is one of the most valuable resources to provide information for Jews when we are asked our opinion. The people who have seen this presentation become wonderful ambassadors, not only on behalf of Israel, but more importantly, on moving everyone closer to peace in the Middle East.

Rabbi Norman Cohen, Congregation Bet Shalom

I highly recommend this presentation for any group bound together by Jewish values. No matter what else we do, we must take the time and energy to educate ourselves so that we can be the best advocates possible for Israel. The presentation is interesting, informative and enjoyable. It also reaches one of the most profound goals that we have as Jews- to perform Tikkun Olam on behalf of our beloved State of Israel.

Stephanie Levine, President, NCJW St. Paul

People are entitled to their own opinions, but people are not entitled to their own facts. When it comes to the Middle East, people have many different opinions about how to proceed towards peace. But there is no substitute for the facts. It is our responsibility to continually be engaged in learning. As Minnesotans, far away physically from the land itself, it is critical for us to celebrate the diversity of thought, but to understand the facts and to be informed by the lessons of over 60 years of glorious return to statehood.

Rabbi Morris Allen, Beth Jacob Congregation

We encourage other members of the Jewish community to host, attend and support this presentation. It has never been more important to foster education and dialogue - to work toward a brighter future - and this is a positive and enjoyable way to do that. Time with this project will be time well spent.

Wendy and Colin Smith, Minneapolis

With all that is going on throughout the world and certainly in the Middle East, I feel it is absolutely imperative that every member of the Jewish community understand the issues, speak to them intelligently, and be a true representative of the Jewish community both within that community and the non-Jewish community. If each and every member of the Jewish community doesn't avail themselves of this unique and special experience, attending a presentation of the JCRC program, they are truly missing an opportunity. I encourage people to attend individually as well as with their families to better understand the history, the politics, the people, and the critical battle we need to wage against fundamentalist Muslim propaganda. It is not only our right – it is our responsibility to play our appropriate role.

Mike Fiterman, Minneapolis