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Ph.D., History, Harvard University  
M.A., History, Harvard University  
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- Modern Jewish History
- History and culture of Sephardic Jews
- The Jews of Modern France
- The Ottoman Empire

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS & PROJECTS



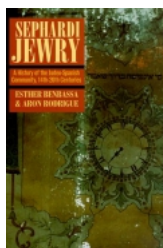
### A Jewish Voice from Ottoman Salonica: The Ladino Memoir of Sa'adi Besalel a-Levi

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Sarah Abrevaya Stein, Isaac Jerusalmi

Edited and with an Introduction by Aron Rodrigue with Sarah Abrevaya Stein; Translation, Transliteration, and Glossary by Isaac Jerusalmi

This book...



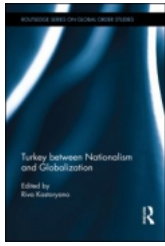
### Sephardi Jewry: A History of the Judeo-Spanish Community, 14th-20th Centuries

Aron Rodrigue

Esther Benbassa

Until the publication of this remarkably comprehensive history of the Sephardi diaspora, only limited attention had been given to the distinctive...

## SELECTED JOURNALS & BOOK CHAPTERS



## Reflections on Millets and Minorities: Ottoman Legacies

Aron Rodrigue

"Reflections on Millets and Minorities: Ottoman Legacies" in Riva Kastoryano, ed., *Turkey between Nationalism and Globalization*, London: Routledge,...



## La mission éducative (1860-1939)

Aron Rodrigue

"La mission éducative (1860-1939)" in André Kaspi, ed., *Histoire de l'Alliance Israélite Universelle: De 1860 à nos jours*, Paris: Armand Colin, 2010.



## The Jew as the Original "Other": Difference, Antisemitism, and Race

Aron Rodrigue

"The Jew as the Original "Other": Difference, Antisemitism, and Race" in Hazel Rose Markus and Paula Moya, eds. *Doing Race: 21 Essays for the 21st...*

## MORE INFORMATION

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Books

- **A Jewish Voice from Ottoman Salonica: The Ladino Memoir of Sa'adi Besalel a-Levi**, Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2012 (edited and with an Introduction with Sarah Abrevaya Stein; Translation, Transliteration, and Glossary by Isaac Jerusalem).
- **Sephardi Jewry: A History of the Judeo-Spanish Community, 14th-20th Centuries**, Berkeley: University of California Press, 2000 (with Esther Benbassa).  
*Also published in French, Hebrew, Turkish, Portuguese, Russian, Rumanian, Bulgarian, Hungarian, Italian, Spanish, German, and Macedonian.*
- **Images of Sephardi and Eastern Jewries in Transition, 1860-1939: The Teachers of the Alliance Israélite Universelle**, Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1993 (paperback title **Jews and Muslims: Images of Sephardi and Eastern Jewries in Transition**, 2003).  
*Also published in French and Hebrew .*
- **A Sephardi Life in Southeastern Europe: The Autobiography and Journal of Gabriel Arie** (edited with Esther Benbassa), Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1998. English version of **Une vie judéo-espagnole à l'Est: Gabriel Arié**, Paris: Les Editions du Cerf, 1992.
- (edited) **Ottoman and Turkish Jewry: Community and Leadership**, Bloomington: Indiana University Turkish Studies Series, 1992.
- (edited catalogue with introduction) **Guide to Ladino Materials in the Harvard College Library**, Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard College Library, 1992.
- **French Jews, Turkish Jews: The Alliance Israélite Universelle and the Politics of Jewish Schooling in Turkey, 1860-1925**, Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1990. *Also published in Turkish.*

#### Articles

- "Salonica in Jewish Historiography," *Jewish History*, 28 (2014).
- "Rhodos," *Enzyklopädie jüdischer Geschichte und Kultur*, 5 (2014).
- "Reflections on *Millets* and Minorities: Ottoman Legacies" in Riva Kastoryano, ed., *Turkey between Nationalism and Globalization*, London: Routledge, 2013.
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- "La mission éducative (1860-1939)" in André Kaspi, ed., *Histoire de l'Alliance Israélite Universelle: De 1860 à nos jours*, Paris: Armand Colin, 2010.
- "L'Etat impérial ottoman et les politiques de déportation" in Bertrand Badie and Yves Deloye, ed., *Le Temps de l'Etat: Mélanges en l'honneur de Pierre Birnbaum*, Paris: Fayard, 2007, pp. 185-202.
- "Jewish Enlightenment and Nationalism in the Ottoman Balkans: Barukh Mitrani in Edirne in the Second Half of the Nineteenth Century" in Molly Greene, ed., *Minorities in the Ottoman Empire: A Reconsideration*, Princeton: Marcus Wiener, 2005, pp. 73-88.
- "Totems, Taboos, and Jews: Salomon Reinach and the Politics of Scholarship in Fin-de-Siècle France," *Jewish Social Studies: History, Culture, and Society* (new series), 10 (Winter 2004), pp. 1-19.
- "Comment: The French and German Jewish "Civilizing Mission" in the Middle of the Nineteenth Century" in Michael Brenner, Vicki Caron, and Uri D. Kaufmann, eds., *Jewish Emancipation Reconsidered: The French and German Models* (Schriftenreihe Wissenschaftlicher Abhandlungen Des Leo Baeck Instituts, 66), Philadelphia: Coronet Books, 2003, pp. 121-128.
- "The Ottoman Balkans" in Reeva S. Simon, Michael M. Laskier, Sara Reguer, eds., *The Jews of the Middle East and North Africa in Modern Times*, New York: Columbia University Press, 2003, pp. 292-302.
- "The Mass Destruction of Armenians and Jews in the 20th Century in Historical Perspective" in Hans-Lukas Kieser and Dominik J. Schaller, eds., *Der Völkermord and den Armeniern und die Shoah*, Zürich: Chronos Verlag, 2002, pp. 303-316.
- "The Ottoman Diaspora: The Rise and Fall of Ladino Literary Culture" in David Biale, ed., *Cultures of the Jews: A New History*, New York: Schocken Books, 2002, pp. 863-885.
- "Der Balkan vom 15. Bis zum 20. Jahrhundert" in Elke-Vera Kotowski, Julius H. Schoeps, Hiltrud Wallenborn, eds., *Handbuch zur Geschichte der Juden in Europa*, Darmstadt: Primus Verlag (2001), Vol. I, pp. 296-324.
- "Léon Halévy and Modern French Jewish Historiography" in Elisheva Carlebach, John Efron, David Myers, eds., *History, Jews, and Memory*, Hanover: University Press of New England (1998), pp. 413-427.

- “Les enfants de Crémieux: Devenir de l’Alliance Israélite Universelle,” *Les Cahiers du Judaïsme* , 1 (1998), pp. 94-100.
- “Rearticulations of French Jewish Identities after the Dreyfus Affair,” *Jewish Social Studies: History, Culture, and Society* (New Series), 2 (Fall 1996), pp. 1-26.
- “Eastern Sephardi Jewry and New Nation-States in the Balkans in the 19th and 20th centuries” in Harvey Goldberg, ed., *Sephardi and Middle Eastern Jewries: History and Culture* , Bloomington: Indiana University Press (1996), pp. 81-88.
- “**Difference and Tolerance in the Ottoman Empire,” interview by Nancy Reynolds, *Stanford Humanities Review* , 5 (Fall 1995), pp. 81-92: <http://www.stanford.edu/group/SHR/5-1/text/rodrigue.html>**
- “From Millet to Minority: Turkish Jewry in the 19th and 20th Centuries” in Pierre Birnbaum and Ira Katznelson, eds., *Paths of Emancipation: Jews within States and Capitalism* , Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1995, pp. 238-261.
- “The Beginnings of Westernization and Communal Reform among Istanbul Jewry 1854-1865” in Avigdor Levy, ed., *The Jews of the Ottoman Empire* , Princeton: Darwin Press, 1995, pp. 439-456.
- “The Sephardim in the Ottoman Empire” in Elie Kedourie, ed., *Spain and the Jews: The Sephardi Experience 1492 and after* , London: Thames and Hudson, 1992, pp. 162-188.
- “Abraham de Camondo of Istanbul: The Transformation of Jewish Philanthropy” in Frances Malino and David Sorkin, eds., *From East and West: Jews in a Changing Europe 1750-1870* . Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 1990, pp. 46-56.
- “L’exportation du paradigme révolutionnaire: Son influence sur le judaïsme sépharade et orientale” in Pierre Birnbaum, ed., *Histoire politique des Juifs de France: Entre universalisme et particularisme* , Paris: Presses de la Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques, 1990, pp. 182-195.
- “The Alliance Israélite Universelle and the Attempt to Reform Rabbinical and Religious Instruction in Turkey” in Simon Schwarzfuchs, ed., *L’Alliance dans les communautés du bassin méditerranéen à la fin du 19e siècle et son influence sur la situation sociale et culturelle* , Jerusalem: Misgav Yerushalayim, 1987, pp. LII-LXX.
- “The Westernization of Turkish Jews: The Making of a Polyglot Community,” *Tarih ve Toplum* (History and Society) (in Turkish), no. 31 (July 1986), pp. 17-21.
- “L’artisanat juif en Turquie à la fin du 19e siècle,” *Turcica: Revue des Etudes turques* , 17 (1985), pp. 113-126 (with Esther Benbassa).
- “German Popular Opinion and the Jews in the Third Reich: Recent Publications and Trends of Research on German Society and the ‘Jewish Question,’” *Yad Vashem Studies* (in English and Hebrew), 16 (1984), pp. 421-435 (with Otto Dov Kulka).
- “Jewish Society and Schooling in a Thracian Town: The Alliance Israélite Universelle in Demotica, 1897-1924,” *Jewish Social Studies* , 45 (Summer-Fall 1983), pp. 263-286.

#### Awards

- *Chevalier de l’Ordre des Arts et des Lettres, Ministère de la Culture et Communication* , France, 2013
- *Chevalier dans l’Ordre des Palmes académiques, Ministère de l’Éducation Nationale* , France, 2013
- Alberto Benveniste Prize (Paris) for Research in Sephardic Studies, 2011
- Ina Levine Senior Scholar in Residence, Center for Advanced Studies, US Holocaust Memorial Museum, 2003-2004
- Fellow, American Academy of Jewish Research, 2002-
- American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, 1998
- Stanford Humanities Center Fellowship, 1998
- National Jewish Book Council Honor Award in Sephardic Studies for the book *Images...*, 1994
- Translation Grant, for the book *Une vie judéo-espagnole...*, Maurice Amado Foundation, 1994
- Research Grant, Ministry for Research, France, 1992
- Research Grant, Maurice Amado Foundation, 1991-1992
- Finalist, National Jewish Book Council Prize in Jewish History for the book, *French Jews, Turkish Jews*, 1991
- The Toledano Prize, 1989
- Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 1988-1989
- Outstanding Young Faculty Award, Indiana University, 1988
- American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship, 1988
- Indiana University Summer Faculty Fellowship, 1988
- Indiana University Summer Faculty Fellowship, 1987
- Grant-in-Aid, Indiana University, 1986
- Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture Fellowship, 1985-1987

#### University Service (Selective)

- Director and Anthony P. Meier Family Professor in the Humanities, Stanford Humanities Center, 2008-2013
- Chair, Department of History, Stanford University, 2005 - 2008
- Director, Mediterranean Forum, 2005 - 2010
- Co-Director, Taube Center for Jewish Studies, Stanford University, 2001 - 2005

#### Professional Activities (Selective)

- Co-editor, *Jewish Social Studies: History, Culture, and Society* (with Steven Zipperstein), 1993-2008
- Co-editor, *Stanford Studies in Jewish History and Culture Series* , Stanford University Press (with Steven Zipperstein), 1992-2014

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## HIGHLIGHTS

- *Chevalier de l’Ordre des Arts et des Lettres, Ministère de la Culture et Communication* , France, 2013
  - *Chevalier dans l’Ordre des Palmes académiques, Ministère de l’Éducation Nationale* , France, 2013
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