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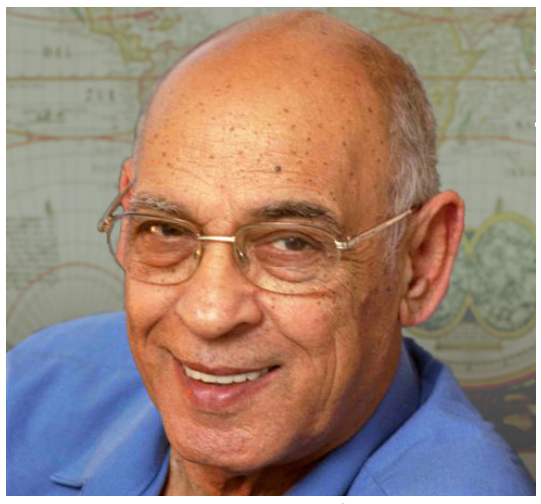
BETWEEN BAGHDAD AND HAIFA

A Tribute to Israeli Author Sami Michael

Sami Michael is a renowned, Emet Award-winning novelist of Iraqi-Jewish origin, whose writing spotlights the heritage of Sephardic Jewry, broadens the definition of Israeli identity, and encourages inclusion of cultural "others."

1940's Baghdad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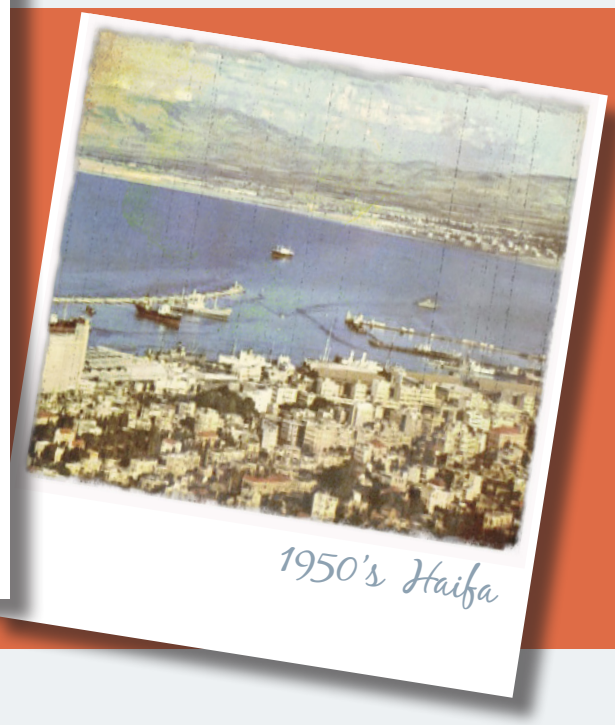
1950's Haifa

October 7-9, 2015

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WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 7
Lutkin Hall, 700 University Place

Opening Session - 7:00-8:30pm

A Conversation with Sami Michael and Benny Ziffer, Literary Editor of Israel's Daily Haaretz

Recital by Yair Dalal

Jewish-Iraqi music

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 8
Hardin Hall, 633 Clark Street

Session 1 - 9:00-11:00am

The Oeuvre of Sami Michael -- Perspectives

Session 2 - 11:30-1:00pm

Al-Ittihad and the 1950s

Session 3 - 2:00-4:30pm

"Between Baghdad and Haifa"

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 9
Hardin Hall, 633 Clark Street

Session 4 - 9:00-10:30am

Multiculturalism in Sami Michael's Novels

Session 5 - 10:30-12:00pm

Social Justice and Gender

Closing Session - 12:00-1:00pm

Concluding Remarks

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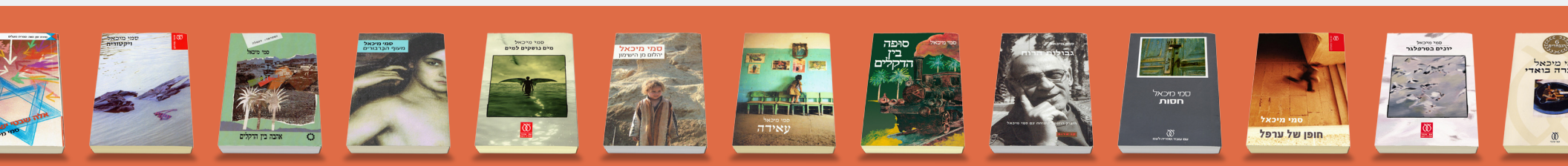
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