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SNEAK PREVIEW

Be among the first to see a sneak peek of "The Secrets of the Synagogue", a film that documents the uncovering of the grand religious institution in Vilnius.



THE SECRETS OF THE GREAT SYNAGOGUE OF VILNA

SUNDAY,
November 1
at 4:00 PM

Virtual!
Register online
for Zoom link.

**FREE! REGISTRATION
REQUIRED.**

This glimpse into the uncovering of the Great Synagogue of Vilna will be followed by a riveting discussion with part of the team that made this amazing discovery possible: US archaeologist Dr. Richard Freund, French movie maker and Lithuanian Film Project Director Loic Salfati, geoscientist and GPR (ground penetrating radar) expert Dr. Harry Jol, and lead cartographer, Dr. Phil Reeder.

The Great Synagogue of Vilna, the spiritual and physical home of the Lithuanian Jews, one of the oldest and most significant religious and cultural sites of Eastern European Jewry, was ransacked during WWII

and destroyed by the Soviets in 1956. This documentary tells the story of the joint expedition of professionals, students and volunteers, as well as the story of the Great Synagogue, a symbol of lost civilization. Thanks to the Good Will Foundation of the Jewish Community of Lithuania this work has been on-going since 2015. The film chronicles the process to uncover, document and now preserve the remains of this synagogue.

You will receive a link to watch an exclusive preview (full documentary to be completed Sept. 2021) several days PRIOR to the Nov. 1 panel discussion.

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