

TAUBE PHILANTHROPIES FOUNDATION REPORT 2016-2018



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Front cover: Tel Aviv Independence Gate. Rendering: Israel Democracy Institute





Tad Taube



Shana Penn

Message from the Chairman and Executive Director

Dear Friends.

Philanthropy is not simple. Many good ideas and causes need money. Choosing which ones to support has led us at the foundation to reflect upon what we believe is most important to achieve and how, as a philanthropy, we can help make it possible. As this report shows, the past few years have been busy ones at Taube Philanthropies, as reflected by the range and variety of meaningful projects highlighted here. Our funding priorities likewise realize our vision, evolved over many decades of reflection and thoughtful relationship building.

We retain the traditional core of Jewish philanthropy in advancing culture, education, and mental and physical well-being in the larger society of which we are a part.

We have long been proponents of collaborative philanthropy. Collaboration and partnerships allow us to focus resources together to achieve greater reach and to grow faster and more effective change. Never has collaboration been more important than over these past several years. In that time, we have expanded our objectives to include securing the future of major institutions with large grants that provide better facilities and greater program possibilities.

We believe in working collaboratively to assure a sustainable future for philanthropic institutions with a shared commitment to a set of beliefs — evidenced in daily practice and reinforced and enhanced with learning and tradition. Collaboration has opened new and expansive ways of learning, leading us to support a diverse range of community and civic institutions on the cutting edge of innovation and service.

As our report demonstrates, we retain the traditional core of Jewish philanthropy in advancing culture, education, and mental and physical well-being in the larger society of which we are a part. This report describes our major new projects that will support research and researchers in medicine and new facilities that will enhance scientific endeavors, and our ongoing support for Bay Area museums, educational programs, and sports initiatives.

Choosing to live a life of Jewish values means choosing a rich life of old and new. Establishing and growing Taube Philanthropies has only made that life richer. Our choices of projects to fund, and institutions to sustain and advance, allow us to help secure the future that we believe reflects the best of our past. We hope you enjoy reading about our efforts and that some of our projects and institutions will touch your life for the better.

Taube Philanthropies is comprised of three entities:

- Taube Family Foundation
- Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture, a supporting foundation of Jewish Family and Children's Services, San Francisco
- Taube Family Donor Advised Fund at Stanford University



Mission and Goals

Dedicated to the principles of a democratic society,

including open economic enterprise, self-reliance, freedom of inquiry, and limited government, Taube Philanthropies works to ensure that all citizens will have full opportunity for advancement of their aspirations and potential. Its programs and initiatives are inclusive and address the concerns of diverse groups, with particular emphasis on Jews in the San Francisco Bay Area, Poland, and Israel.

Taube Philanthropies aligns its efforts according to three goals:

- Nurture institutions in the San Francisco
 Bay Area, Poland, and Israel that enhance the principles of an open, democratic, and opportunity-based society. Areas of concentration include education and scholarship, institution and community building, and public policy initiatives oriented to preserve American principles.
- Strengthen Jewish communities in the San Francisco Bay Area, Poland, and Israel. Areas of interest include preservation of Jewish heritage, Jewish cultural renewal, and the fostering of relationships among Jews globally.
- Magnify the impact of grants through collaborative relationships as a basis for establishing circles of donors to support various projects. Taube Philanthropies develops established relationships with sister foundations and individual philanthropists who share our overall vision and philosophy.

A New Chapter in Philanthropy: Collaborative Giving

n the 21st century, a new and different kind of philanthropy has emerged. Born in the 20th century, its institutional form reflects the wealth of philanthropic giants like Rockefeller and Carnegie. Its corporate form reflects the complexity of modern business, and its mission follows the ethos of societal betterment by augmenting and supporting public services, research, and social programs — a uniquely American form of business for "doing good."

Philanthropy has followed the new business models. Collaborative institutional partnerships that shape international business ventures have led to a new culture of working together among foundations. This, in turn, has evolved a widespread culture of social responsibility that presumes wealth will be used in some significant part for the greater good.

Taube Philanthropies has succeeded in magnifying our impact through our pursuit of collaborative relationships to pool funds, share risk, and measure outcomes. "Collaborative philanthropy is the future of enlightened foundation engagement," says Tad Taube.

We wish to thank our philanthropic partners, many of whom have been investing in socially responsible endeavors together with Taube Philanthropies for many years.

Association of the Jewish Historical Institute

Eric Benhamou

David Berg Foundation

William K. Bowes, Jr. Foundation

Jerry and Maria Brenholz

Michael and Eugenia Brin

49ers Foundation

Freidenrich Family

Friend Family Foundation

Sissy and Theodore Geballe

Gregory J. and Sally U.

Hartman

Hellman Family Fund

Robert and Nita z" I Hirsch

Family Fund

Hochberg Family Fund

Jewish Community Federation

of the East Bay

Franklin and Cathie Johnson

Koret Foundation

James and Cathy Koshland

Philanthropic Fund

Kronhill Pletka Foundation

James z"I and Linda Law

Libitzky Family Fund

George and Judy Marcus

Daryl Messinger and

Jim Heeger

MZ Philanthropic Fund

Sigmund Rolat

Jackie Safier

Carol and Harry Saal

Sharks Foundation

Stuart and Josie Shiff

Roselyne Chroman Swig

Laszlo Tauber Family

Foundation

Jack z"I and Helen Tramiel

Warriors Community

Foundation

Esther and Stanley Wojcicki

Susan Wojcicki and Dennis Troper

Alan and Lori Zekelman



Dianne and Tad Taube

We share a strong belief with other similarly minded philanthropists that, in part through our effort, our great American experience will prosper stronger than ever.

— Tad and Dianne Taube

The Giving Pledge

The Giving Pledge is a commitment by the world's wealthiest individuals and families to dedicate the majority of their wealth either during their lifetime or in their will to help address society's most pressing problems. Created by Bill and Melinda Gates and Warren Buffett in 2010, The Giving Pledge is envisioned as a multi-generational effort that aims over time to help shift the social norms of philanthropy toward giving more, giving sooner, and giving smarter.

While originally focused on the United States, today The Giving Pledge includes 174 of the world's wealthiest individuals, couples, and families representing 22 countries, and ranging in age from their 30s to their 90s.

Tad and Dianne Taube joined The Giving Pledge in 2013. Their adult children are also actively involved. Those who join The Giving Pledge often write a letter explaining their decision to engage deeply and publicly in philanthropy, as well as describe the philanthropic causes to which they are devoted. Tad Taube stated:

"There has existed in the minds of refugees, who have been embraced by this great country, a level of gratitude for the opportunities made available to us that is somewhat analogous to a debt that we feel needs to be repaid. Some of us refer to that feeling as wanting to 'give back' — I personally prefer to call it wanting to 'share opportunity.' And in terms of the time, energy, and money already contributed by me to replicate such an opportunity for others, my family and I have already more than fulfilled the intent of The Giving Pledge. However, it is my plan to continue my commitment to Giving throughout my life and eventually through my estate plan."



\$35.875 million

for youth-related health, making the Taube Family now among the top 5 donors to Stanford Medical

\$20 million

will name the South Pavilion wing of the Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford

\$14.5 million

in two grants will launch the Tad and Dianne Taube Youth Addiction Initiative and the Taube Family Concussion Collaborative

\$1.375 million

funds a faculty position in pediatric neurodegenerative research

MEDICAL RESEARCH AND TREATMENT

are important parts of Taube
Philanthropies' expanded community
responsiveness portfolio. Four large
grants address youth health issues and
support collaborations between medical
and research institutes in the Bay Area.





Dianne Taube

Tad and I share the concerns of fellow parents and hope through this gift to ensure the safety of our youth and educate families, coaches, and young adults.

— Dianne Taube

The awards are collaborative, substantive, and innovative. A \$20 million grant will name the South Pavilion wing in the Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford. A \$9.5 million grant will launch the Tad and Dianne Taube Youth Addiction Initiative, an effort involving Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford and Stanford University School of Medicine. It is the first program of its kind to comprehensively address the treatment and prevention of addiction during adolescence, as well as to conduct research into its causes.

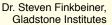
A second grant for \$5 million will create the Taube Stanford Concussion Collaborative to advance education, care, and research about the growing nationwide incidence of childhood concussions and their long-term effects. The third partner in the Concussion Collaborative is TeachAids, a Stanford-founded educational technology nonprofit organization that develops rich-media applications to communicate life-saving information about misunderstood diseases and health conditions. Founded by Dr. Piya Sorcar, TeachAids is developing the first comprehensive, research-based educational software that will address misconceptions about concussions, support brain health and safety, and increase the reporting of concussions. By leveraging Stanford University's technology advances, TeachAids will deliver an interactive learning experience free of charge to Bay Area high schools, and eventually up to 10,000 schools nationwide.

Tad Taube underscores the importance of these issues when he states, "As parents, Dianne and I see that young people today are facing a new world of challenges. We want to educate families and raise awareness about the risks and signs of addiction and concussion in children and adolescents. It can make an all-important difference in their lives."

Taube Philanthropies has also made a \$3 million gift for a collaborative program headed by the J. David Gladstone Institutes at University of California, San Francisco and Stanford University School of Medicine focused on research related to treating Huntington's disease, a degenerative neurological disorder that has claimed many lives, including that of folksinger Woody Guthrie. Huntington's disease is poorly understood and, until recently, has attracted little rigorous research.

Taube Philanthropies has also been a long-time supporter of the Ronald McDonald House at Stanford. Research has confirmed the importance of providing family support for successful treatment of children with medical problems. Unfortunately, the cost of providing a living space for parents near their hospitalized children is rarely factored into the equation. A recent Taube Philanthropies grant of \$4.25 million provides for the enlargement and renovation of residence facilities for the families of children who are undergoing treatment at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford and other neighboring centers.









Dr. Harvey Cohen, Stanford University Medical Center



J. David Gladstone Institutes & Stanford School of Medicine

n April 2017 Taube Philanthropies announced a \$3 million gift for a collaborative program focused on research related to treating the degenerative neurological disorder known as Huntington's disease. Researchers at Stanford School of Medicine and the J. David Gladstone Institutes' Taube-Koret Center for Neurodegenerative Disease Research now collaborate with clinical efforts at the Memory and Aging Center of the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). The program, coordinated by Stanford's Dr. Harvey Cohen, introduces gene editing and stem cell therapies to effect treatments. The gift will be distributed in annual increments through 2021 to account for the long-term process of translating scientific insights into clinical trials and applications.

The grant continues Taube Philanthropies' dedication to finding treatments and cures for neurodegenerative diseases begun in 2003 with a grant to support research at UCSF. Koret Foundation collaborated with Taube Philanthropies in 2008 in a grant of more than \$2 million to establish the Taube-Koret Huntington's Disease Research Program, which included a collaborative research effort between Dr. Frank Longo of Stanford University Medical Center and Dr. Stephen Massa of UCSF.

Through 2012, the Huntington collaborative research group expanded to include the Gladstone Institutes under the direction of Dr. Steven Finkbeiner, with research grants from Taube Philanthropies and Koret Foundation totaling \$3.6 million. During this period, Gladstone researchers determined that they warranted a consolidation with research efforts in Alzheimer's disease,

\$3.75 million

gift in two grants for a collaborative program on research related to treating the degenerative neurological disorder known as Huntington's disease

Parkinson's disease, and other neurodegenerative conditions such as ALS. This led to an additional grant from the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

In 2017, the collaborative efforts in neurodegenerative disease research received a major boost with the inclusion of stem cell technology in a program to be named the Taube Family Program in Genome Editing, directed by Drs. Matthew Porteus and Mara Grazia Roncarolo. The expanded collaborative, supported by the \$3 million grant, will underpin the work of Drs. Steven Finkbeiner and Frank Longo as part of the new Stanford interdisciplinary program in genome editing. More recently, Taube Philanthropies gave \$750,000 in support of Dr. Lisa Ellerby for her work at the Buck Institute for Research on Aging to collaborate in the development of Huntington's therapeutics.

In August 2017, Retrotope Inc. was formally introduced to the collaborative. Retrotope has created an innovative approach to preventing, halting, and reversing a broad range of neurodegenerative disease indications.



Dr. Laura Roberts, Stanford University School of Medicine

Tad and Dianne Taube Youth Addiction Initiative

Addiction, along with other mental health challenges, is a neglected and profoundly stigmatized issue both in adults and young people. Adolescence is a particularly vulnerable time, often marked by depression, anxiety, and mood disorders, all of which may encourage drug use and other mental health issues.

Traditional addiction programs wait until adulthood to treat the problem. By then, it has already reached crisis levels. "There is so much exposure today to highly addictive substances and influences, yet the stigma around addiction has created barriers to addressing the issue," said Dr. Laura Roberts, Chair of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University School of Medicine.

The Tad and Dianne Taube Youth Addiction Initiative at the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the Stanford University School of Medicine will address adolescent addiction with a grant in the amount of \$9.5 million. Dr. Roberts explained that the initiative provides a means of advancing science "focused on preventing addiction and understanding its root causes, so that we can make a difference to young people and their loved ones for their entire lives."

The grant will support five key positions related to research and treatment of youth addiction: the Taube Postdoctoral Fellow will be a researcher or clinician beginning a career in the area of child and adolescent mental health, with an initial focus on youth addiction; a faculty member, the Taube Clinical Faculty Scholar, will focus on developing



and advancing clinical care programs and therapies for youth addiction; the Taube Research Faculty Scholar will focus on developing and advancing innovative research programs related to youth addiction; and the Taube Community Faculty Scholar will focus on innovative programs that engage Stanford Medical School professionals with local and national community activities relating to youth addiction.







Dr. Gerald Grant, Associate Professor of Neurosurgery, Stanford University Medical Center



Dr. David Camarillo. Assistant Professor of Bioengineering, Stanford University



Taube Stanford Concussion Collaborative

\$5 million gift from the Taube Family Donor Advised Fund at Stanford will launch a collaborative initiative in the study and treatment of children's concussions at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford and Stanford University School of Medicine. To be known as the Taube Stanford Concussion Collaborative, the project will leverage the medical expertise of the Stanford University School of Medicine and the medical expertise of Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford with a nonprofit organization, TeachAids. Together, the initiative aims to advance education, care, and research protecting children from concussions and their cumulative effects.



Whether it is from a tackle in football, a collision in soccer, or a fall from a bicycle, concussion incidences are rising each year. Ignorance about the long-term effects of apparently minor head injuries prolongs recovery time, increases the risk of a follow-on concussion, and heightens the possibility of permanent damage.



\$5 million will launch a collaborative initiative in the study and treatment of concussions in children

As a part of the project, athletes will use "smart" mouth guards developed by the Camarillo Lab at Stanford that measure head motion during impact and can help predict the likelihood of concussion. The data gathered will be analyzed to develop algorithms that will help clinicians predict an individual athlete's risk for concussion and lead to personalized approaches to preventing and treating concussions. In addition, the collaborative group plans an online education initiative through TeachAids to correct misconceptions about concussions and increase the number of concussions reported.

Ronald McDonald House at Stanford

children facing a medical crisis need to have their parents nearby for love and support, but families may have to travel far from home and spend weeks or months to get treatment for their seriously ill or injured children. Ronald McDonald House at Stanford provides comfortable and secure accommodations, at little or no cost, for families that have traveled far from home to get treatment for a hospitalized child. Families are stronger when they are together, which helps in the healing process. By staying at a Ronald McDonald House, parents can better communicate with their child's medical team and keep up with complicated treatment plans.

Located close to the Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford, the Ronald McDonald House consists of two buildings that operate as one comprehensive campus. A \$4.25 million gift from Taube Philanthropies (2016–18) funded reconstruction of the 44,000 square-foot Taube Family Center, part of a four-year expansion campaign at the Center. The building offers 56 family suites, kitchen and dining facilities, recreation rooms, salon, classroom, laundry facilities, craft room, and comfortable inviting spaces in which to relax.



Youth residing at Ronald McDonald House at Stanford



L-R: Ronald McDonald; Ronald McDonald House at Stanford Resident; Annette Eros; Steven Ramirez; Karen Boyd (all of Ronald McDonald House at Stanford); and Rick Mayerson (Taube Investments) at the ribbon-cutting of the newly remodeled Ronald McDonald House at Stanford Taube Family Center on May 25, 2017

Taube Family Distinguished Professorship in Urology at UCSF

Taube Philanthropies donated \$5 million to support prostate cancer research by the Department of Urology at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). The establishment of the Taube Family Distinguished Professorship in Urology will support the research, teaching, and service activities of its inaugural recipient, Dr. Peter Carroll, Chair of the UCSF Department of Urology.



Dr. Peter Carroll (right), Chair, UCSF Department of Urology

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Children's Health Council



Taube Family Teen Mental Health Initiative (TMHI) to help provide support for teens and families including therapy, community education, and community engagement programs. Tad Taube made a planned bequest of \$1.5 million to the Children's Health Council to support the TMHI. However, as he and Dianne wish to activate the program in the present, they have committed five consecutive annual payments of \$50,000 starting in 2017 from the Taube Family Donor Advised Fund at Stanford.

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CIVIC AND CULTURAL LIFE

Both in the past and today, Jewish philanthropy has been critical to Bay Area civic and cultural life and well-being. Historically, renowned institutions like the San Francisco Opera and the San Francisco Symphony, as well as the Bay Area's major museums, have been the beneficiaries of Jewish giving. It is a legacy Taube Philanthropies is proud to continue, and even extend. Over the past two years, Taube Philanthropies has awarded more than \$10 million in major gifts and program grants for civic and cultural life across the Bay Area.

Recent support includes major grants to institutions that have a history of providing an outstanding cultural environment for the Bay Area. A gift of \$3.6 million to the Commonwealth Club of California has allowed this center of community discussion to create a new headquarters in San Francisco. The San Francisco Opera, renowned locally and nationally, opened an innovative, state-of-the-art auditorium thanks to a \$3 million gift. A major grant of \$6.85 million to Golden Gate Park will renovate the tennis complex for the benefit of the whole Bay Area, and facilitate the re-establishment of a championship tennis tournament, the San Francisco Open.

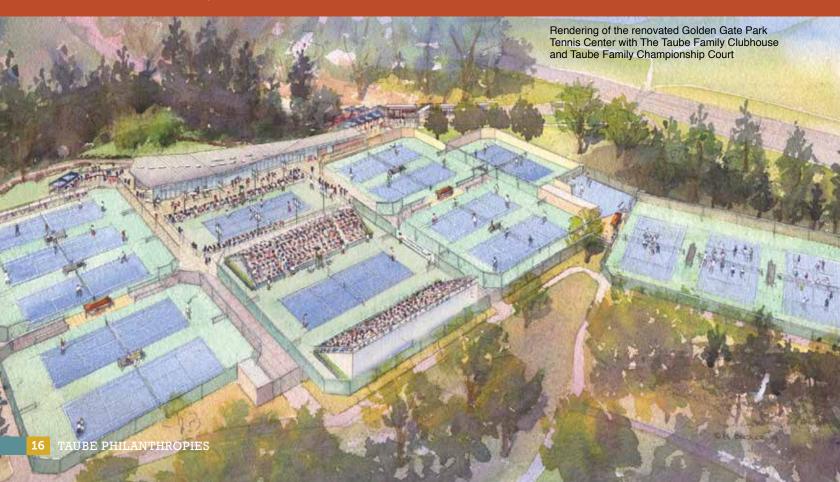
Golden Gate Park Tennis Center, Taube Family Clubhouse, and Taube Family San Francisco Open

aube Philanthropies has committed \$6.85 million (\$6.75 million of it as a challenge grant) to support the capital campaign to renovate the Golden Gate Park Tennis Center and facilitate the re-establishment of the San Francisco Open, the city's esteemed community and championship tennis tournament. In recognition of this pledge and challenge grant, the San Francisco Parks Alliance will name the Tennis Center's clubhouse The Taube Family Clubhouse, and one of the Tennis Center's courts will be named the Taube Family Championship Court. The San Francisco Open will be named the Taube Family San Francisco Open.



Historic postcard of the Golden Gate Park Tennis Center

\$6.85 million to support the capital campaign to renovate the Golden Gate Park Tennis Center



Taube Family Auditorium at the Commonwealth Club of California

A gift of \$3.6 million to the Commonwealth Club of California supported the acquisition and renovation of new headquarters on San Francisco's waterfront. The headquarters opened in September 2017 after six years of fundraising, planning, and construction.

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L-R: Paul Milne; Shana Penn; Tad Taube; Sean Taube; Alice Lawrence; Vera Hannush; Maayan Stanton (all from Taube Philanthropies), at the Commonwealth Club of California's 110 The Embarcadero ribbon-cutting ceremony in September 2017. Photo: Ed Ritger/Commonwealth Club of California

Since its founding in 1903, the Commonwealth Club has been a leading national forum for the impartial discussion of public issues, with more than 450 annual events on topics ranging across politics, culture, society, and the economy. The Club operated in rented space in downtown San Francisco, but long sought to have its own home. In 2012, it purchased a 1910 building at 110 The Embarcadero and constructed a mostly new building, designed by architect Leddy Maytum Stacy, winner of the 2017 National Firm Award from the American Institute of Architects.

The facility includes the new Taube Family Auditorium, the rooftop Tad and Dianne Taube Viewpoint, and a donor lounge and reception area honoring Taube Philanthropies senior staff.



Tad (third from right) and Dianne (right) participate in the 110 The Embarcadero ribbon cutting, led by Dr. Gloria Duffy, Commonwealth Club of California President and CEO. Photo: Commonwealth Club of California



New home of Commonwealth Club of California

San Francisco Opera's "Opera in the Ballpark" at AT&T Park

In collaboration with the Koret Foundation. Taube Philanthropies helped the San Francisco Opera develop the first permanent high-definition broadcast-standard video production facility installed in any American opera house. This capability has enabled the Opera to present performance simulcasts of outstanding visual and aural quality. Since 2006, San Francisco Opera simulcasts have drawn a combined crowd of more than 250,000 people to enjoy free, live opera. On June 30, 2017, a crowd of close to 30,000 flocked to San Francisco Opera's eleventh live simulcast at AT&T Park for a festive evening of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Don Giovanni. The performance was broadcast live from the War Memorial Opera House three miles across town, and was made possible through the extraordinary technology of the San Francisco Opera Company's high-definition video production facility, Koret-Taube Media Suite.



Bizet's *Carmen* at Opera in the Ballpark, July 4, 2016. Photo: San Francisco Opera



Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's *Don Giovanni*, June 30, 2017. Photo: Stefan Cohen



The UC Theatre Taube Family Music Hall

n 2015, Taube Philanthropies committed a \$1.3 million matching grant to The UC Theatre, which facilitated the reopening of the 100-year-old theatre after a closure of 15 years, and its transformation from a cinema to a 1,400-seat performance space. On September 22, 2016, the Taube Family Music Hall was named in honor of this gift at a formal event and unveiling at The UC Theatre. Shana Penn, Executive Director of Taube Philanthropies, was also recognized with the naming of the Shana Penn Lobby.

Opened in April 2016, the new UC Theatre Taube Family Music Hall has quickly become a world-class music venue, cultural institution, and educational center, serving broad and diverse audiences and enriching the Bay Area's music, culture, and quality of life while providing distinguished education and career pathways programs for local youth.

In 2017, The UC Theatre produced over 100 concerts and community events featuring music from around the world, from Damian Marley to Run the Jewels, from Mulatu Astatke, Tinariwen, TajMo, and Balkan Beat Box to Lord Huron, Fantastic Negrito, Social Distortion, California Honey Drops, and Angus & Julia Stone.

In May 2017, The UC Theatre graduated its inaugural cohort of Concert Career Pathways students and partnered with more than 25 non-profit art, education, and service organizations in the Bay Area. The first graduates of the 9-month intensive program consisted of young adults from diverse backgrounds, including 50% women and 70% people of color. Over 85% of the graduates went on to paid positions within the music industry.

Recently, The UC Theatre partnered with the Jewish Federation of the East Bay for a musical celebration of the State of Israel's 70th anniversary, titled "Israel Out Loud," for which Taube Philanthropies made a lead matching gift.



The graduating class of the inaugural Concert Career Pathways at The UC Theatre Taube Family Music Hall, May 2017



L-R: Jeffrey Farber (Koret Foundation); Dr. Anita Friedman (JFCS, Koret Foundation); Tad Taube (Taube Philanthropies); Shana Penn (Taube Philanthropies), at The UC Theatre Taube Family Music Hall and Shana Penn Lobby Naming Ceremony, September 22, 2016





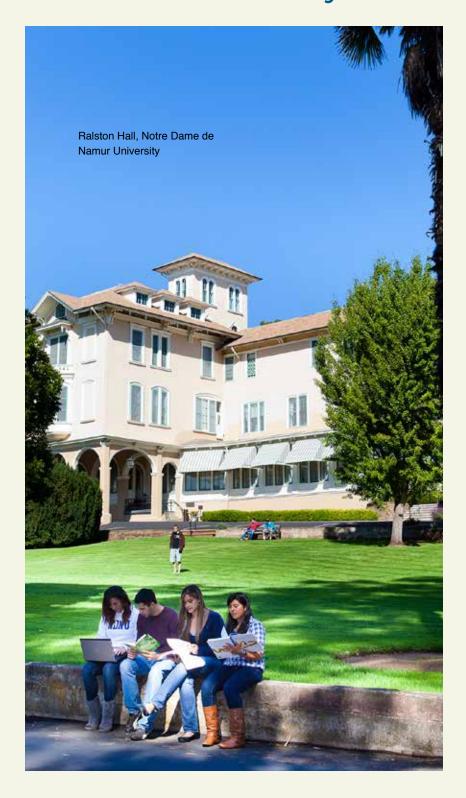
ACADEMIA AND CAMPUS LIFE

Centers of learning and scholarship mark our quest for understanding the world around us. Never before have we felt more acutely the complexity and diversity of human society, and never has it been more critical that we appreciate its fragility. Taube Philanthropies is proud to support organizations and institutions in the United States and elsewhere that may approach research and learning from different perspectives and disciplines but share a commitment to excellence and to the well-being of our diverse human community.

Ralston Hall at Notre Dame de Namur University

aube Philanthropies made a large matching grant to help with renovation and upgrading of a key Bay Area heritage site, Ralston Hall, on the campus of Notre Dame de Namur University. One of the region's oldest educational institutions, the University was founded in 1851 by the Sisters of Notre Dame and is today based in Belmont. Central to the University's campus and its history is a large Victorian mansion, Ralston Hall, which was closed in 2012 out of concern about its ability to withstand an earthquake. Not only is Ralston Hall a local, state, and national landmark, but also it housed essential administration functions of the University.

With strong support from alumni and the broader community, a fundraising campaign was established to restore Ralston Hall, update it as a working administrative hub, and strengthen it against earthquakes. The estimated cost would be high, however: \$20 million. Tad Taube became campaign manager in 2015 and pushed the drive to a successful conclusion, starting with a \$6 million challenge grant from Taube Philanthropies. By the winter of 2016, the campaign was so successful that the process of drawing up renovation plans could begin. Work on a complete and highquality renovation and refurbishing is now in progress.



Carnegie Mellon University

grant of \$750,000 over 5 years (2017-21) has endowed the Taube Professorship at the Institute for Politics and Strategy at Carnegie Mellon University (CMU). The Taube Professor position is occupied by Dr. Kiron



Dr. Kiron Skinner

Skinner. At CMU, Dr. Skinner directs several academic initiatives: the Center for International Relations and Politics; the Carnegie Mellon

University Washington Semester Program; the Institute for Politics and Strategy; and the Institute for Strategic Analysis. Dr. Skinner's areas of expertise are international relations, international security, U.S. foreign policy, and political strategy. At Stanford University's Hoover Institution, she is the W. Glenn Campbell Research Fellow and a member of three Hoover projects: the Shultz-Stephenson Task Force on Energy Policy, the working group on the Role of Military History in Contemporary Conflict, and the Arctic Security Initiative.

Graduate Theological Union

A long-time supporter of the Graduate Theological Union's Center for Jewish Studies (since 2005), Taube Philanthropies has recently committed a grant of \$200,000 to subsidize technology in the conference center and seminar rooms and an additional \$100,000 over 4 years (2018-21) toward student scholarships. The grants will name the "Taube Conference Center" in the Hewlett Library and also place a plaque in honor of Taube senior staff.



Photo: Graduate Theological Union

UC Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism Esther Wojcicki Lectureship

he Esther Wojcicki Lectureship was created in 2017 through a gift from Taube Philanthropies. The lecture series honors internationally renowned journalism educator Esther Wojcicki, an alumna of the University of California, Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism and founder of the Palo Alto High School Media Arts Program, one of



Kara Swisher Photo: Re/Code

the nation's most distinguished scholastic media programs. The Wojcicki Lecturer is an outstanding journalist who exemplifies the commitment to public enlightenment through bold and eloquent reporting that Esther Wojcicki has championed throughout her career. The Wojcicki Lecturer serves a week-long residency with graduate



Tad Taube and Esther Wojcicki

students, consisting of master classes and seminars. The inaugural lecturer was Kara Swisher, one of the country's most influential IT journalists covering the Silicon Valley for over two decades

grant of \$100,000 over two years (2017-2018), supports the Hillel Center for Campus Climate (HCCC). **HCCC** enables Hillel International to partner with college and university leadership to encourage diverse pro-Israel and Jewish voices in campus

Photo: Hillel International



social life.

Department of Jewish Studies University of California, Santa Cruz

grant of \$75,000 over 3 years (2017-19) A supports the Digital Jewish Studies program of the Department of Jewish Studies at UC Santa Cruz. Led by Professors Nathaniel Deutsch, Chair, Alma Heckman, Assistant Professor of History and Jewish Studies, and Rachel Deblinger, Director of the Digital Scholarship Commons and a lecturer for the Jewish Studies program, the grant supports course development ("Holocaust in the Digital Age" and "Visualizing American Jewish History"), The Digital Minhag Archive (a crowdsourced repository of contemporary Jewish practices, also known as minhagim in Hebrew), and a workshop on Digital Methods in the Jewish Studies Classroom.



Professor Nathaniel Deutsch, Chair, Jewish Studies, UCSC



Alma Heckman, Assistant Professor, Jewish Studies, UCSC

Jewish Theological Seminary

aube Philanthropies has supported the Jewish Theological Seminary since 2006. It is proud to have supported specifically the work of the Chancellor, Dr. Arnold Eisen, formerly a religious studies professor at Stanford University.



Dr. Arnold Eisen, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary

Taube Department of Jewish Studies University of Wrocław

A capital grant of \$100,000 awarded in 2016 is supporting the renovation of the University of Wrocław's Taube Department of Jewish Studies at its new city-center location. The facility will provide an increased number of classrooms, offices, and conference and seminar rooms, as well as space for a library. As Tad Taube announced, "Taube Philanthropies is proud to support the University of Wrocław's Jewish Studies Department and the leadership of its faculty chair, Professor Marcin Wodziński."

Established twenty years ago, the Department of Jewish Studies has grown into an independent

department as part of the Faculty of Letters. "Without the support of the Taube Foundation, the refurbishment of and move into our new space would be simply impossible," declared Professor Wodziński, a historian of Hasidism in Poland, and former Chief Historian of POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews. "This is a great contribution toward the development of Jewish Studies in Wrocław, but it is also important for the field of Jewish Studies more generally in Poland and in Eastern Europe." An additional \$100,000 over four years will support the Department's general operations.



Visiting Fellowship at the Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, UC Berkeley

rom November through December 2017,
Taube Philanthropies sponsored Bronisław Komorowski, former President of Poland, as Scholar-in-Residence at UC Berkeley's Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies. During his residency, President Komorowski, a historian, lectured at the University



Former President of the Republic of Poland Bronisław Komorowski (left) with outgoing Consul General of the Republic of Poland Mariusz Brymora, at UC Berkeley

of California, Berkeley; University of California, Davis; and Stanford University, on the relations between the European Union, Central Europe, and the United States, and on NATO-Europe-U.S. Security. He also participated in events of the



L-R: Shana Penn; Hon. Bronisław Komorowski; Tad Taube; Dianne Taube; and Sean Taube at the SF Opera Guild Dinner honoring Tad and Dianne Taube on December 4, 2017. Photo: Drew Altizer Photography

San Francisco-Kraków Sister Cities Association and the Honorary Consuls for the Republic of Poland in the San Francisco Bay Area. ■

UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA

\$180,000 grant over 3 years (2017-2019) contributes to the Taube Scholarship Fund in the Humanities.







EDUCATION:Buildings and Programs

In the historic spirit of American education, Taube Philanthropies has long supported learning and research both within and outside the university. The pursuit of education is the hallmark of a democracy in which every person can influence the nation's direction. More than in most other societies, America supports education in ways that serve a wide variety of interests and inclinations. American education has also been a public/private pursuit. Independent schools, universities, museums, libraries, and archives have been shaped significantly by both public funding and private philanthropy.

From its earliest years, Taube Philanthropies has been a supporter of Stanford University and programs at the University of California, Berkeley. On-campus programs, such as Hillel, and curriculum innovations, such as Jewish Studies, now thrive, in part, due to key support from Taube Philanthropies. Taube Philanthropies has also contributed to a realignment and redefinition of educational functions over the past decades, as institutions expand and combine their offerings. Libraries now sponsor academic courses, archives host exhibitions, and museums have become multi-generational learning environments.

Taube Family Holocaust Education Program at The National World War II Museum

\$2 million commitment will establish the Taube Family Holocaust Education Program at The National World War II Museum, a state-of-the-art facility in New Orleans featuring rigorous historical scholarship and a strong educational mandate. A \$1 million grant supports the new Holocaust program over its first five years; Tad Taube has bequeathed the second \$1 million in his estate plan.

Many initiatives of Taube Philanthropies revolve around the War, the deep and powerful effects of which continue to influence world events. The program is timely because according to recent research Americans are remembering less and less about the War and lessons of the Holocaust.

Beginning in October 2018, the Taube Family Holocaust Education Program will aim to reverse that trend by using virtual field trips and special exhibits to focus public attention on the nature of U.S. involvement in the War and the scope and human costs of the conflict. The National World War II Museum will also collaborate with its Polish base, the Warsaw Academy, founded by historian Alexandra Richie.



Teacher training program led by The National WWII Museum



Conference at The National WWII Museum

Cristo Rey San José Jesuit High School

The Taube Humanities Center houses English, History, and Religion classes that expand students' abilities to think critically through a social justice lens. This \$2 million renovation (2016-2019) allowed CRSJ to open its doors, now serving 465 students.



\$2 million
renovation allowed CRSJ to grow to
465 students



\$1 million to build new campus facilities

Windmill School

**Taube Philanthropies' matching grant for \$1 million will support building new campus facilities for the Windmill School, including office, reception, and teachers' resource center spaces.

USS Hornet Sea, Air & Space Museum

The USS Hornet Sea, Air & Space Museum preserves and honors the legacy of USS Hornet aircraft carrier, a national historic landmark, its role in naval aviation, national defense, and the Apollo Program and exploration of space. Taube Philanthropies provided a \$25,000 gift for creation of a "virtual field trip" that enables students from around the world to visit all the ship's compartments, decks, and passageways, as well as hear the personal stories of those who fought aboard the ship during World War II.

USS Hornet Sea, Air & Space Museum



2017-18 season Make-A-Wish recipient, Hayden Bradley, joins the San Jose Sharks for the National Anthem. Make-A-Wish was a Goals for Kids beneficiary during the 2015-16 and 2016-17 seasons. Photo: Sharks Foundation

SPORTS FOR YOUTH PROGRAMS

Taube Philanthropies has long recognized the importance of supporting strong educational opportunities and institutions for the whole community. It also believes in the importance of athletics as part of the educational process, both for students pursuing college degrees and for those aspiring to improve their life opportunities. As Taube Philanthropies sought to identify Bay Area populations that needed support, especially underserved young people, our inquiries led to innovative and collaborative programs combining youth and sports. Taube Philanthropies has partnered with the foundations of three leading professional sports teams – the San Francisco 49ers, the Golden State Warriors, and the San Jose Sharks - in programs that to date serve more than a half million youth.



Photo: Warriors Community Foundation

Hoops4Kids with the Golden State Warriors



Tad Taube launched Hoops4Kids in 2013 as a way of engaging the Golden State Warriors professional basketball team in improving opportunities and outcomes for youth. After securing approval from the owner of the Warriors professional basketball team, Hoops4Kids launched in partnership with the Koret Foundation and PG&E. Taube Philanthropies and its co-funders have supported the initiative every season.

Hoops4Kids generates

\$500 in donations for every Warriors three-point basket.

The Warriors finished the 2016–17 season with the second most three-pointers in franchise history, and fourth most in NBA history, raising \$500,000 for Bay Area organizations supporting at-risk youth.



Touchdowns for Kids with the San Francisco 49ers

Since its launch in 2011, Touchdowns for Kids has raised some \$2 million for Bay Area organizations that support local youth. The participating foundations, including Taube Philanthropies, matches:

\$5,000 per touchdown,

\$1,000 per field goal,

\$1,000 per interception, and

\$1,000 per sack by the 49ers.

In the 2016-17 season, the program raised a total of \$241,000 to support six organizations:

- Bay Scholars gives low-income students access to college preparatory Catholic high schools.
- Cristo Rey San José is a Jesuit high school that empowers students from underserved communities in the city of San Jose to enter and complete college.
- Harper for Kids helps primary schools incorporate UCLA basketball coach John Wooden's "Pyramid of Success" into their character education.
- San Francisco 49ers Academy encourages primary school students in the town of East Palo Alto to master core subjects and prepare for high school.



Taube Philanthropies staff member Maayan Stanton (second from right) at the check presentation, January 2017. Photo: 49ers Foundation

\$2million for Bay Area organizations that support local youth

■ The 49ers STEM Leadership Institute offers a six-year program that prepares students to pursue STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) majors at top-tier universities.

"We are so appreciative of the participation of the beneficiary organizations and truly grateful to partner with them to keep kids 'Safe, On Track and In School,' in alignment with the missions of the 49ers, Koret and Taube Foundations," said Joanne Pasternack, former Vice President and Executive Director of Community Relations and the 49ers Foundation for the San Francisco 49ers.



Goals for Kids with the San Jose Sharks



t an official check presentation to the Sharks Foundation on April 4, 2017, Taube Philanthropies announced that in partnership with two other philanthropies, each partner would donate \$238,000 to Goals for Kids.

Goals for Kids secures

\$1,100 for each goal scored by the Sharks.

The funds are distributed among six beneficiaries: the American Heart Association-Silicon Valley Division, Child Advocates of Silicon Valley, JW House, Make-A-Wish Greater Bay Area, Ronald McDonald House at Stanford, and Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties.



Sharks Captain Joe Pavelski, with Make-A-Wish recipient, Hayden Bradley, during the 2017-18 season. Make-A-Wish was a Goals for Kids beneficiary during the 2015-16 and 2016-17 seasons. Photo: Sharks Foundation





HUMANITARIAN AID

This past year the country suffered a series of major natural disasters that dislocated thousands and destroyed the homes and livelihoods of many more. Taube Philanthropies, acting in the American tradition of private help in times of dire need, responded quickly and decisively to two disasters that seized national attention. The first was in Houston, Texas, where Hurricane Harvey struck with wind and water. An emergency grant enabled the nonprofit organization All Hands and Hearts to deploy teams to identify assistance needs, help clear trees and debris, and remain for the longer term as part of their rebuilding effort. A portion of the grant was reserved to directly support the affected Jewish community of Houston. Closer to home, Taube Philanthropies provided emergency funding for humanitarian aid to victims of the North Bay wildfires and additional support to aid and honor firefighters for their service.

All Hands and Hearts for Hurricane Harvey Relief Campaign

\$1 million

emergency challenge grant toward relief and rebuilding efforts in the wake of Hurricane Harvey

urricane Harvey, which struck the Gulf of Mexico in 2017, produced massive flooding and dislocation in the Houston metropolitan area. Taube Philanthropies responded with a \$1 million emergency challenge grant to All Hands and Hearts -Smart Response, a U.S.-based disaster relief organization that relies on a network of volunteers to help those affected by natural disasters all over the world. One hundred thousand dollars of the grant was specifically allocated to Houston's Jewish community. Lee Wunsch, President and CEO of the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston, said, "We have been so touched by the outpouring of love and support Houston's Jewish community has received, and especially for the generosity provided to us by Taube Philanthropies. It goes a long way in helping us begin the road to recovery."

JFCS Northern California Wildfire Relief

aube Philanthropies granted \$250,000 to San Francisco's Jewish Family and Children's Services in support of its emergency aid to victims of the North Bay wildfires in October 2017. The grant supported short-term humanitarian assistance – including food, clothing, and housing – as well as longer term support to help fire victims recover and rebuild their lives. "The North Bay fires have been devastating to thousands," said Dr. Anita Friedman, JFCS Executive

It has been heartbreaking to watch the destruction in the North Bay create such human suffering.

Tad Taube

Director. "Members of our community will be grappling with the aftermath of this disaster for many years to come.... I would like to thank Taube Philanthropies for its immediate and extraordinarily generous response, which enables us to provide the emergency assistance that is already helping people." This grant represented the largest award to a fire relief program in the region.

"It has been heartbreaking to watch the destruction in the North Bay create such human suffering," said Tad Taube. "I am grateful to be in a position to support relief efforts in these communities through the great work of our JFCS

partners already on the ground. It is important that we support one another when faced with a horrific situation such as this."

Taube Philanthropies also made three grants totaling \$50,000 in honor of the Santa Rosa firefighters. The grants went to the Santa Rosa Fire Department for their heroic response to the fire; Go Fund a Hero, an online platform whose "Bay Area Firefighters and Families: Sonoma and Napa Fires" campaign will benefit 40 firefighters who lost their homes to fire while they were fighting fires in Santa Rosa; and the Tiburon Volunteer Fire Department, in honor of William (Bill) Brady.







JEWISH PEOPLEHOOD

The idea of Jewish Peoplehood has resonated in the secular societies of Europe and the Americas for centuries.

The twentieth-century writer Mordecai Kaplan distinguished between nationhood, as in the State of Israel, and a sense of belonging that binds together all Jews around the world to a peoplehood that is inclusive, irrespective of birthplace, nationality, tradition, and practice.

Combined with an expanding emphasis on personal choice in contemporary spiritual life, Jewish Peoplehood has come to signify contemporary Jewish identity.

Jewish Peoplehood is part of our shared heritage, values, and attitudes. It is part of the DNA of a Jewish life.

Tad Taube

Since 2003, Taube Philanthropies has supported Jewish Peoplehood through grants to community centers and other institutions devoted to building Jewish identity and invigorating cultural life and a collective sense of belonging. These new kinds of Jewish centers blend traditional and innovative educational offerings and cultural activities into a holistic experience that is harmonious with the larger society and yet distinctly Jewish.

Recognizing the global presence of Jewish Peoplehood inspires us to help re-establish Jewish life in places where it once thrived, particularly in Eastern Europe. Recipients of Taube grants in Poland range from the Kraków Jewish Culture Festival and Galicia Jewish Museum to JCCs and Taube Jewish Heritage Tours, and include key public education organizations like POLIN Museum and the Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute.



To successfully integrate multiple emerging relationships, Taube Philanthropies established a Polish-based partner organization, the Taube Center for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland Foundation.

Taube Philanthropies has also committed large resources to select institutions in Israel that seek to encourage global Jewish Peoplehood. Recent support includes Taube Philanthropies' largest grant for a Jewish program: \$15 million to Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Taube Family Campus, Jerusalem.

Another major gift of \$10.1 million was granted to The Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life at the University of California, Berkeley to acquire the Taube Family Arthur Szyk Collection. These projects underscore Tad Taube's commitment and insight, that "Jewish Peoplehood is part of our shared heritage, values, and attitudes. It is part of the DNA of a Jewish life. It is not only American or Israeli, but rather it includes all the nations of the earth."

> Arthur Szyk (1894-1951), Sulamith, Paris, France, 1925, watercolor on paper, Taube Family Arthur Szyk Collection, The Magnes, UC Berkeley, 2017.5.1.24



GRANTS IN THE BAY AREA

Arthur Szyk's unique contributions to contemporary art and political illustration have not yet been recognized to the extent his work deserves.

Tad Taube



Arthur Szyk (1894-1951), Madness, New York, United States, 1941, watercolor, gouache, ink, and graphite on paper, Taube Family Arthur Szyk Collection, The Magnes, UC Berkeley, 2017.5.1.70

The Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life at the University of California, Berkeley, for the Taube Family Arthur Szyk Collection

Taube Philanthropies gift will give students, scholars, and the public access to the most significant collection of works and documents by Arthur Szyk, a Polish Jewish artist and political caricaturist who created some of his most famous works after fleeing to the United States in 1940. The \$10.1 million gift to The Magnes is the largest single monetary gift to acquire art in the history of the University of California, Berkeley (UCB). The grant to acquire Szyk's works builds on support for The Magnes begun in 2010, when Taube Philanthropies helped ensure the transfer



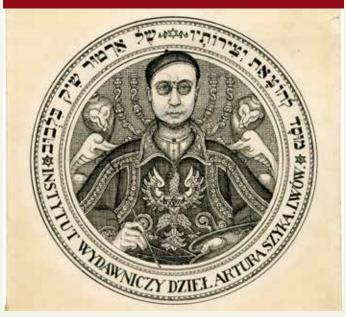
Arthur Szyk (1894-1951), [David and Saul], Łódź, Poland, 1921, watercolor, and gouache on paper, Taube Family Arthur Szyk Collection, The Magnes, UC Berkeley, 2017.5.1.16





Tad Taube and UC Berkeley Chancellor Carol Christ view the works of Arthur Szyk. Photo: Deana Mitchell

Art is not my aim, it is my means. - Arthur Szyk



Arthur Szyk, *Institute for the Publication of the Works of Arthur Szyk in Lwow (Self-Portrait)*, ca. 1932-1933, pen and ink on paper, The Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life, University of California, Berkeley, 2017.5.1.36



L-R: Dr. George Breslauer (The Magnes); Shana Penn (Taube Philanthropies); Tad Taube (Taube Philanthropies); Dr. Robert Birgeneau (former Chancellor, UC Berkeley); Dr. Francesco Spagnolo (The Magnes); Mary Catherine Birgeneau; Danielle Mosse (greatgranddaughter of Arthur Szyk)

of The Magnes Collection from private hands to its current home at UCB. The Collection holds the third-largest Judaica corpus in a U.S. institution and the only one of such size in the world housed at a research university.

Arthur Szyk was born into a middle-class Polish Jewish family in 1894 and educated in Poland and France, where he established his artistic career. He lived a life framed by two world wars, the rise of totalitarianism in Europe, and the birth of the State of Israel. A critic of Hitler and Nazi totalitarianism, Szyk once declared that "art is not my aim, it is my means." His messages reached millions in magazines such as *Time* and *Look*, and his interpretations of the history happening around him were invaluable to the war effort.

"Arthur Szyk's unique contributions to contemporary art and political illustration have not yet been recognized to the extent his work deserves," said Tad Taube. "With our shared Polish Jewish heritage, and a relationship my parents developed with Szyk upon first arriving in the United States from Poland in the early 1940s, it is significant to me to ensure that Szyk's remarkable works are available to today's and future generations." Tad Taube's remarks highlight the importance of Szyk's images as visual tools for teaching younger generations about important historical developments. Szyk's work is especially insightful for its depiction of the interrelationship of the many forms of evil and oppression that scarred so much of the 20th century.

The Taube Family Arthur Szyk Collection is one of the most important bodies of Jewish art in the 20th century. In its new home at The Magnes, Arthur Szyk's artworks and related documents will become the core of publications, exhibits, and events, showcasing great art while also educating future generations about the life and dramatic times of a distinguished Jewish artist.

Dianne Taube (left) and Danielle Mosse, Arthur Szyk's great-granddaughter, at the preview of the Taube Family Arthur Szyk Collection. Photo: Deana Mitchell







Bay Area Jewish Community Centers

Taube Philanthropies recently awarded major grants to support capital campaigns at five Bay Area Jewish Community Centers. "JCCs play an integral role in nurturing and building community," said Tad Taube, "and through programs that explore Judaism and Jewish life, they embody inclusivity and Jewish Peoplehood." Since 2009, Taube Philanthropies has supported Jewish Peoplehood initiatives at select Jewish Community Centers (JCCs) that accept and even celebrate the variety of ways that individuals identify as Jews.

This past year, Taube Philanthropies, through \$5 million in grants, focused on securing the future of the JCCs with adequate physical infrastructure for five Bay Area JCCs. The building of spaces that honor and encourage a long future for Peoplehood programs marks a new maturity in the Peoplehood movement and in the outreach of the foundation. Major grants are ensuring that the centers have spaces where shared foods

and music, literature, and social relationships will bind people together and accommodate differences in theological perspectives, religious practice, and spiritual experiences. They will symbolize and embrace a confidence in the future, celebrating the growth of mixed ethnicities and mixed religious traditions within

marriage among people who consider themselves Jewish and publicly identify as Jews. Quite fittingly, the awards, announced in September 2017, coincided with the centennial of the JCC movement in the United States.

For these five outstanding JCCs in the Bay Area, the foundation awarded each 25 percent of the grant up front, with the balance coming after matching funds have been raised.

\$5 million in capital grants to secure the future of JCCs with adequate physical infrastructure



JCC of the East Bay



- JCC of San Francisco \$1 million to create a multipurpose performance space for arts and cultural activities
- Osher Marin JCC (San Rafael) –
 \$1 million to support a capital campaign for an expanded aquatics center
- JCC of the East Bay (Berkeley/ Oakland) — \$1 million to support a regional expansion plan that includes a creative arts center at a new flagship site in Oakland
- Oshman Family JCC (Palo Alto) \$1 million and \$500,000 to support a capital campaign and provide funding for the creation of a town hall tower and mural
- Peninsula JCC (Foster City) –
 \$500,000 to support a capital expansion
 on the North Peninsula Jewish Campus

Addison-Penzak JCC (Los Gatos)

In addition, Taube Philanthropies has been supporting Peoplehood programming at the Addison-Penzak JCC (APJCC) in Los Gatos since 2011. Since its inception, the APJCC's Peoplehood programming has grown to include ongoing Jewish Life and Learning classes, Introduction to Judaism courses, Hebrew classes, Camp Shalom day camp, Russian-speaking Jewish programming, a "value of the month" series, and more, in addition to its long-established Distinguished Speakers series and community-wide holiday celebrations.

According to Shana Penn, Executive Director of Taube Philanthropies, "Grants made in the San Francisco Bay Area have helped empower organizations such as Jewish Community Centers to become expansive and stable community institutions. Large Jewish organizations continue to be the cornerstones of Bay Area Jewish communal life."

Chabad at Stanford University

n 2017, Taube Philanthropies pledged \$1.3 million for the construction of a new Stanford Jewish Center near the university campus, to be named Taube Chabad House. Chabad at Stanford had grown beyond its space capacity; the new, larger space will enable Chabad at Stanford to do more and serve more community members. "We enormously appreciate this latest manifestation of Taube Philanthropies' extraordinary commitment to Jewish life at Stanford," said Rabbi Dov Greenberg, Executive Director of Stanford Chabad. Tad Taube remarked, "It is most satisfying to be able to support organizations that bring people of common interest together."

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Rabbi Dov Greenberg



Chabad at Stanford trip to Israel

Celebration in Stanford Chabad House

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Jewish Family and Children's Services

As the preeminent social welfare agency for residents of San Francisco, Marin, Sonoma, Santa Clara, and San Mateo counties, Jewish Family and Children's Services (JFCS) is a lifeline for children, families, and older adults facing personal crises or life cycle challenges. Whether it's help for a major life transition or support for other challenges, JFCS offers over 40 programs, including home care for seniors, therapy for children, youth volunteer programs, services for people with disabilities, and much more.

Founded in 1850, JFCS is one of the oldest and largest human service agencies in the

United States. The institution is guided by Jewish Peoplehood values of advancing human dignity for everyone, community responsibility, intergenerational ties, and repairing the world.

A \$1 million grant over three years (2016-18) supports the JFCS Emergency Services Program, publication of the Holocaust memoir *Rywka's Diary*, a film and exhibition based on the diary of Rywka Lipszyc, and JFCS general operations.

A new \$1 million grant in 2018 expands support of general operations and emergency services, which will be especially needed in communities that suffered from the North Bay wildfires of 2017.



JFCS "Chicken Souper" volunteers prepare meals for adults with disabilities, HIV/AIDS, or other chronic illnesses

San Francisco Heritage for Haas-Lilienthal House

The Haas-Lilienthal House is a property of the nonprofit organization San Francisco Heritage. In 2012, the National Trust for Historic Preservation named The Haas-Lilienthal House one of its 34 inaugural National Treasures in America.



Taube Jewish Heritage Education Program

\$20,000 seed grant established the Taube Jewish Heritage Education Program at The Haas-Lilienthal House to help promote public access to the newly renovated House, a historic landmark built in 1886 for William and Bertha Haas.

William Haas, an immigrant from Bavaria, was a highly successful and respected Jewish businessman in the Bay Area. For several succeeding generations the house was home to members of the Haas and Lilienthal families, who were among the elite of San Francisco's Jews and indeed the Bay Area's residents generally. Their business, economic, cultural, and philanthropic accomplishments symbolize the remarkably prominent place of Jews in northern California's history since the Gold Rush years.

The Taube Jewish Heritage Education Program has produced a master narrative written by historian Fred Rosenbaum that contextualizes The Haas-Lilienthal House within the development and legacy of the San Francisco Bay Area Jewish community. Completed in May 2017, the 40-page research paper traces the Haas family's migration from Bavaria and their Jewish heritage, identity, and expression from the 1860s to the present. On November 9, 2017, Mr. Rosenbaum presented his research in the final installment of Heritage's 2017 Lecture Series at The Haas-Lilienthal House. In addition, the San Francisco Museum and Historical Society published "Jewish Americans: Religion and Identity at 2007 Franklin Street" in the February 2018 issue of its scholarly journal, The Argonaut.

Contemporary Jewish Museum



Image: Miriam Dym, photo by Jeannie O'Connor, *One Quarter Century*, 1994, 120 in. x 40 in., ink and gouache on paper. At *Contraption: Rediscovering California Jewish Artists*, Contemporary Jewish Museum, February 22-July 29, 2018

The Contemporary Jewish Museum in San Francisco is a forum where diverse audiences may explore new perspectives on Jewish culture, history, art, and ideas. In its Daniel Libeskind-designed facility it offers innovative exhibitions and programs that educate, challenge, and inspire. Taube Philanthropies has awarded a grant of \$100,000 over four years to support three major exhibits: *Contraption: Rediscovering California Jewish Artists*, presenting the work of California-identified artists of Jewish descent

whose work refers to the machine either literally or metaphorically; *Dress Codes: Revealing the Jewish Wardrobe*, created and premiered by the Israel Museum in Jerusalem, which explores the roots of fashion in Jewish traditional clothing around the world; and *The History of Levi's*, a major exhibition of work drawn from the archive of San Francisco-based Levi Strauss & Co., which has made an indelible contribution to American culture, history, and philanthropy.

Congregation Emanu-El

Agrant of \$200,000 over 3 years (2017-19) supports the Taube Emanu-El Scholar at Congregation Emanu-El. The purpose of the Taube Scholar is to add to the intellectual and communal vitality of Congregation Emanu-El. The current Taube Scholar, Rabbi Stephen Pearce (Rabbi Emeritus of Congregation Emanu-El), will share his expertise in religious education, counseling, and leadership with specific subgroups.



Taube Scholar Rabbi Stephen Pearce



Tad Taube holding chuppah at wedding of Kasia Leonardi and Jonathan Ornstein, July 2017.

Jews in the
Diaspora and Israel
still speak of Polish
Jews only in terms
of memory, but
Poland's living
Jewish culture
reflects resiliency,
depth, and beauty.

— Shana Penn

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disbursed through
450 grants to more
than 100 programs
and organizations
since 2003

JEWISH HERITAGE INITIATIVE IN POLAND

In 2003, Taube Philanthropies established the Jewish Heritage Initiative in Poland (JHIP) to strengthen the institutional life of Polish Jews, further awareness and appreciation of Jewish heritage and contemporary Jewish life among Jews and others, and foster positive interest in Poland among American Jews, 85 percent of whom have Polish roots. The JHIP supports the development of a broadbased infrastructure of Jewish educational. communal, religious, and cultural programs in Poland. The JHIP also links Polish Jews and Jewish programs with Jewish communities in North and South America, Europe, Israel, Australia, and the fifteen independent states that were part of the former Soviet Union.

"he JHIP emphasizes the critical importance of understanding and integrating the history of Polish Jewry into a post-Communist and multicultural society; of addressing historical and contemporary anti-Semitism; and of strengthening the democratic values of a multiethnic Polish civil society. Taube Philanthropies has strengthened the visibility, reach, and effectiveness of JHIP by enlisting philanthropic partners to co-sponsor JHIP programs that extend over multiple years. Committed to the development of a cadre of leaders equipped to carry forward a future of Polish Jewry that reflects the diverse and inclusive values of Jewish Peoplehood, the JHIP participates in collaborative activities with new and established Jewish institutions and programs, such as JCCs, Hillels, museums, synagogues, festivals, and interfaith and multicultural events. It extends support for programs that are religious and scholarly, popular and celebratory, across Jewish communities in Poland, Europe, North America, and Israel that have links with Poland.

Since 2003, the JHIP has disbursed more than 450 grants totaling over \$30 million to more than 100 cultural and communal programs and organizations, including: POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews, Taube Jewish Heritage Tours, Jewish Culture Festival in Kraków, Galicia Jewish Museum, Global Education Outreach Program (GEOP), Jewish Community Centers in Kraków and Warsaw, the Jewish Genealogy & Family Heritage Center (JGFHC) housed at the Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute (and the Institute itself), and the Office of the Chief Rabbi of Poland. It provides core support to key institutions and funds programs in Jewish studies scholarship, museum exhibitions, archival preservation, genealogy, community and capacity building, and heritage study tours for youth and adults. It supports the arts and media through grants for specific artistic creations and through ongoing funding to selected organizations. JHIP increasingly devotes its resources to strengthening both local community and global Jewish connections.



Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute

As a longtime grantee, the Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute (JHI) is one of the first institutions funded by Taube Philanthropies' Jewish Heritage Initiative in Poland (JHIP). Since 2004, Taube grants have supported the Institute's core programs and continue to supplement the annual subsidies provided by the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Poland. The most recent gift of \$1.5 million, Taube's largest to the JHI, supports the English-language production of a preeminent Warsaw Ghetto archive for global accessibility, and renovation of the main hall of the Institute's historic building.

Opened in 1947, the JHI has established itself as the premier address for collecting, archiving, researching, and exhibiting a world-class collection of art, artifacts, publications, and documents relating to the thousand-year history of Polish Jews. As heir to the traditions of the prewar Institute for Judaic Studies and postwar Central Jewish Historical Commission, the JHI has a library of nearly 600,000 volumes in a dozen languages, photographs from every corner of Poland, and archives of personal letters, synagogue documents, newspapers, blueprints, and literary manuscripts. Everything in its collections is catalogued and stored using the newest state-of-the-art technology. Scholars and other visitors can view historical and artistic exhibitions in two large halls, as well as attend lectures in Polish, English, and German. The educational department works with schools all over Poland, helping teachers develop "best practice" methods for introducing Jewish history to their classes, while the publishing division produces monographs, guides, and historical studies.

Of the new gift, \$1 million will support the English-language translation and publication of the 36 volumes that make up the Ringelblum Archives, a collection of nearly 30,000 documents preserved by a group of courageous documentarians in the Warsaw Ghetto and buried by them in milk canisters and metal



Self-portrait by Gela Seksztajn, a member of Oneg Shabbat

boxes before the Ghetto was liquidated. Unearthed after the war, the documents offer a unique testimonial to the plight and extermination of Polish Jews in 1940-43. Taube Philanthropies is proud to help make the collection accessible globally, in hard print and on the Institute's website.

Also known as the Warsaw Ghetto Archive, this treasure trove of Holocaust testimony contains 35,370 pages, including: 746 accounts, journals, and memoirs, 380 official document files, 120 academic essays, 88 literary works, 76 photographs, and 54 underground newspapers. YIVO historian of Polish-Jewish relations and JDC ethnographer Emanuel Ringelblum conceptualized and led the courageous research project, overseeing a team of documentarians, codenamed Oneg Shabbat (Joy of the Sabbath), because they met every Sabbath afternoon in the Judaica Library, which became the Jewish Historical Institute after the War's end. The Oneg Shabbat team dauntingly documented and collected accounts of life in the Warsaw Ghetto



Recovering the Oneg Shabbat archive (left), and a pre-war image of the Great Synagogue and Jewish Historical Institute (right)

\$1.5 million

Taube's largest gift to the Institute, supports the English-language production of a preeminent Warsaw Ghetto archive for global accessibility and the renovation of the main hall

and elsewhere in occupied Poland. These shocking testimonies of Nazi crimes were intended to be used in war crime tribunals. The Oneg Shabbat team believed Nazi Germany would be defeated and that Jews should speak for their experiences under Nazi oppression. They wanted to ensure that the historical record was not made solely of Nazi documents. The team buried their archive in metal boxes in three areas of the Warsaw Ghetto, the first batch in August 1942 and another just before the liquidation of the Ghetto in early 1943. Miraculously, two caches were unearthed after the war and returned to the very institute where Oneg Shabbat had so bravely carried out their mission. In the Jewish Historical Institute, now named for Ringelblum, the Archive has been conserved and published in Polish.

The remaining \$500,000 of the Taube gift funds the renovation of the impressive main hall, which, along with the entire building, survived the German occupation of Warsaw, and will now be called the Taube Family Main Hall.









Oneg Shabbat Exhibition and main hall at JHI. Photos: Jewish Historical Institute

Global Education Outreach Program (GEOP) at POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews

During the past four years, Taube Philanthropies has provided ongoing support grants to supplement a \$2 million start-up grant to the Global Education Outreach Program (GEOP) at POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews from its partner, the William K. Bowes, Jr. Foundation.

GEOP's mission is to promote Polish-Jewish Studies internationally by supporting research and scholarly exchange on the history and culture of Polish Jews. It aims to bring together scholars in Poland with those in other countries and ensure the development of a new generation for Polish-Jewish Studies. Thanks to GEOP, POLIN Museum partners with universities and research institutions in Poland, Europe, North America, Israel, Russia, and Australia.

POLIN Museum's effectiveness as an agent of change within Poland and beyond depends heavily on establishing connections between its expanding resource collection and an international constituency. GEOP supports doctoral and postdoctoral fellowships and seminars, visiting lecturers, conferences, and workshops. The program welcomes applications and proposals from scholars at all stages of their careers and in all relevant academic disciplines, including history, political science, literature, art history, musicology, theater studies, philosophy, religion, sociology, anthropology, and law.



GEOP has been extremely active since its founding. In 2016, for example, it supported 7 doctoral seminars; 7 fellowships and 5 international interns; 7 travel grants; research workshops and a distinguished lecture series; meetings with over 6,000 guests at POLIN Museum's Resource Center; 4 genealogy workshops in cooperation with the Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute; the addition of over 63,400 genealogy records to their soon-to-be-released genealogy database; and the conference "Museums and their Publics at Sites of Conflicted History" (March 2016), which fielded 203 abstracts from 45 countries. The next year saw a comparable level and array of activity.

The GEOP was established in 2014 with seed funding from Taube Philanthropies, the William K. Bowes, Jr. Foundation, the Association of the Jewish Historical Institute, and POLIN Museum.



\$2million

multi-year grant supports the Global Education Outreach Program, an international academic program hosted by POLIN Museum



POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews, for the Taube Family Mayer July Collection of Art



Tad Taube (left) and Mayer Kirshenblatt at the premiere of "They Called Me Mayer July: Painted Memories of a Jewish Childhood in Poland Before the Holocaust," exhibition at the Judah L. Magnes Museum, September 2007. Photo: David A Brown

During the last 20 years of his life, from the age of 73, Mayer Kirshenblatt (1916-2009) painted what he remembered about his childhood in the small Polish town of Opatów from which his family emigrated in 1934. He produced an oeuvre of more than 250 paintings and hundreds of drawings and prints. His archive consists of recorded interviews conducted over a period of more than 40 years by his daughter Dr. Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett: transcripts, manuscripts of writing by Mayer Kirshenblatt, photographs, and notebooks.

With the support of Taube Philanthropies, an exhibition of the original paintings premiered at the Judah L. Magnes Museum (now The Magnes Collection of Jewish Art and Life, at the University of California, Berkeley), and then exhibited at The Jewish Museum (New York), the Koffler Centre



Simchas Torah, painting by Mayer Kirshenblatt. Courtesy: Dr. Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett



The Gramophone, painting by Mayer Kirshenblatt. Courtesy: Dr. Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett



Boy with Herring, painting by Mayer Kirshenblatt. Courtesy: Dr. Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett

for the Arts (Toronto), and the Jewish Historical Museum (Amsterdam). Taube Philanthropies' support also made possible the publication of the book sharing the same title with the exhibition, *They Called Me Mayer July: Painted Memories of a Jewish Childhood in Poland Before the Holocaust* (University of California Press, 2007), which received a National Jewish Book Award.

Taube Philanthropies' new gift of \$300,000, to be later supported by a \$700,000 Estate Gift, will secure the preservation of the collection, its display at the POLIN Museum, and long-term programming based on the rich art collection. Multi-lingual programming will include traveling exhibitions, educational programs, and publication projects to extend outreach nationally and internationally. A major exhibition at the POLIN Museum is planned for 2020.



Taube Center staff Natalia Czarkowska (left) guiding Mayor of Warsaw Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz at Menora InfoPoint

Menora InfoPoint

A partnership project of the POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews and the Taube Center for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland Foundation

POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews and the Taube Center for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland Foundation partner in managing Menora InfoPoint, a physical space in the heart of the historic and current Jewish community in Warsaw, on what is now also the trendy Grzybowski Square. Menora InfoPoint is designed to host cultural and social events and offer free rentals to NGOs for their meetings and gatherings. Once home to a legendary kosher restaurant named Menora, the site was transformed in spring 2016 into an information center that has become an important point on the cultural and educational map of Warsaw. Visitors can identify old addresses on a giant map of prewar Warsaw, look at internet databases and platforms, and get to know what, when, and where things are going on in Jewish Warsaw. In addition to providing in-depth information about Jewish Warsaw, Menora InfoPoint offers a place for connecting with Polish Jewish culture through food. The popular cooking workshops help reconnect people to Jewish culture – by preparing, tasting, and talking about food.



The tours are designed to foster interest about Poland among American Jews.

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Taube Center for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland Foundation

In 2009, Taube Philanthropies established the Taube Center for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland Foundation and its flagship program, Taube Jewish Heritage Tours (TJHT). TJHT offers custom-crafted tour programs for communal organizations, families, students and faculty, and VIP delegations. The tours are designed to foster interest about Poland among American Jews, 85 percent of whom have Polish roots, and among Jews in Israel, Australia, Europe, and elsewhere worldwide, as 75 percent of global Jewry has roots in the Polish diaspora.



Dr. Karen Underhill guides Taube Center fellows in its Mi Dor Le Dor program through Remuh Cemetery, Kazimierz

Taube Jewish Heritage Tours

These tours explore how the Jews of the Polish lands lived for nearly a millennium, provide occasions to mourn our irretrievable losses in the Holocaust, and offer participatory encounters with the revitalization of Jewish life in today's democratic Poland. The education staff of Taube Jewish Heritage Tours uses their extensive knowledge of Poland to connect visitors with real people to challenge and inspire them to think about the collective past, present, and future.

The international and U.S. Jewish organizations hosted in recent years range across a spectrum of expert, official, student, and lay organizations:

- Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion's Board of Governors
- Anti-Defamation League's National Board
- Hillel International Professionals
- Jewish Federation of the East Bay Board and Community Leaders
- Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco Community Leaders



Exploring Poland/Polin 2016 cohort participates in a Polish cuisine workshop

- Young Adult Division of the San Francisco Jewish Community Federation
- Northern California Board of Rabbis which, after touring Poland, created a visiting fellows program for rabbis and educators to help Polish Jewish communities
- Hillel at Stanford University
- Hillel at University of California, Berkeley
- March of the Living UK
- Alexander Muss High School in Israel

Exploring Poland/Polin 2015 cohort in Kazimierz Dolny

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Rabbi Aaron Panken (left), President of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, speaking to his national board at the Remuh Synagogue, Kraków

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. In November 2017, the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion journeyed on a six-day mission to Poland with Taube Jewish Heritage Tours. Rabbi Naamah Kelman, Dean of HUC-JIR Jerusalem, wrote that Taube Jewish Heritage Tours "has put together a tour of our history in Poland like no other. Our Jewish story is incomplete without experiencing the agony, loss, recovery, and restoration of this crucial chapter. I was moved, devastated, but ultimately inspired by what was and what needs to be now."

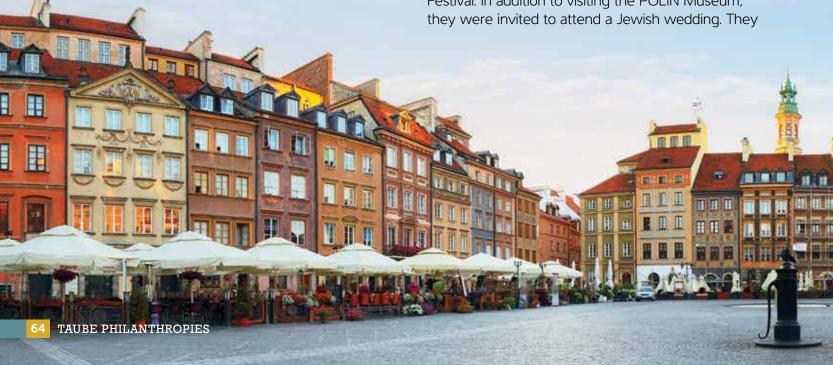


Jewish Federation of the East Bay in front of Nożyk Synagogue, Warsaw

Jewish Federation of the East Bay and the Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco.

In June 2017, the Jewish Federation of the East Bay and the Young Adult Division (YAD) of the Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco (JCFSF) each sponsored a 10-day trip to Poland, funded in part by the Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture. Several Advisory Board members of the Foundation joined the East Bay trip. Both were coordinated by Taube Jewish Heritage Tours.

Participants visited Warsaw, Łódź, Auschwitz-Birkenau, and Kraków, including the annual Jewish Culture Festival. In addition to visiting the POLIN Museum, they were invited to attend a Jewish wedding. They





Shana Penn (Taube Philanthropies) reads the last will and testament of Gela Seksztajn in front of the Warsaw Ghetto Memorial

returned to the United States impressed not only with Poland's deep Jewish heritage but with "the dynamic young people who are remaking Jewish life with the same level of passion and innovation we see here in the Bay Area," as one tour member wrote afterward. "I landed on a deep sense of pride in my Jewish heritage, history, culture, and practices in the most unlikely place: Poland."

Sean Taube, who helped organize the YAD tour, was pleased with the results. "I wanted to engage young Jewish community leaders," he said. "I thought it was important to bring a younger contingent to Poland and show them the work that is being done there and the appeal of Poland being more than just Holocaust remembrance."

Several of the tour members brought personal agendas to their trip. Moses Libitzky, a member of the Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture Advisory Board, sought reconnection with his parents, who had survived the Łódź Ghetto and moved to the United States to start anew. Tour members visited the apartment building where Libitzky's mother, Eva, spent her youth and where



Sean Taube (Taube Philanthropies) and Rabbi Serena Eisenberg (Hillel at Stanford University) celebrate *havdalah*



her father ran a grocery store. On the YAD tour was Soviet-born Victoria Karp, who grew up in a family so assimilated that she found out she was Jewish by accident when she saw her grandparents' "nationality" on their Soviet passports.

Another very interested East Bay tour participant was Tiburon resident and JCFSF board member Riva Berelson, whose father, Henry (Chaim) Baigelman, survived the Łódź Ghetto. Henry and older brother David were members of a family of classically trained musicians in Łódź. Before the war, Baigelman relatives comprised almost two-thirds of the members of the Łódź Philharmonic's musicians, but Henry also liked to perform jazz in the clubs and cabarets. After the German invasion, the brothers were forced into the Łódź Ghetto, where they wrote music and gave concerts. "They used every strength they could muster singing, telling stories, and trying



Jewish Federation of the East Bay tour participant Riva Berelson taking a photo of a memorial wall in $\pm \delta d\hat{z}$



Hillel at Stanford University students tour Warsaw

not to think about how hungry, exhausted, and isolated they were," Berelson has written. When the Łódź Ghetto was liquidated, the Baigelmans were deported to Auschwitz. David died in February 1945. Henry was one of only three survivors in his family.

Hillel at Stanford University. A five-year grant of \$200,000 from Taube Philanthropies is enabling Taube Jewish Heritage Tours to coordinate a series of five study tours organized in partnership with Hillel at Stanford. They are designed to introduce students to Polish Jewish history, the current revival of Jewish life in Poland, and how Jewish heritage is understood by Poles as part of Polish heritage.

Poland Study Tour Scholarship Fund for Alexander Muss High School in Israel. Located in Hod HaSharon, near Tel Aviv, the Alexander Muss High School in Israel (AMHSI) offers accredited, semester-long, immersive educational programs for



American high school students, providing rich and varied learning inside and outside the classroom that stretches students intellectually and expands their empathy and allegiance to Israel specifically, and more broadly to Judaism and Jewish life. Together with meeting the accredited course requirements of their respective schools (both private and public), students receive experiential learning in the history of Israel, from Biblical times to the present-day, from which a love for and commitment to Israel develops over the course of a two- to four-month study program.

Recognizing the historical role of Polish Jews, AMHSI focuses a week of classroom study on the thousand-year history of Jewish civilization



Alexander Muss High School in Israel students



Students from Alexander Muss High School in Israel visit the Okopowa Jewish Cemetery in Warsaw

in Poland and the revitalization of Polish Jewish life since the fall of Communism. For the students whose families are able to afford the additional costs of \$1,300, AMHSI offers week-long study tours to Poland. To date, 250 AMHSI students participate annually in the Poland tours. Each year 1,000 students attend AMHSI. Seeking to assist the 750 students who are otherwise unable to afford the added-value study tour, AMHSI established a Poland Tour Scholarship Fund. Every \$1,000 donation enables another student to tour their "Birthright Ashkenazi" with their fellow AMHSI students. Students are responsible for subsidizing the remaining \$300 for the tour, which is usually the cost of the airfare from Israel.





Pop-up Shabbat at the Jewish Culture Festival in Kraków, 2017

Jewish Culture Festival in Kraków

Taube Philanthropies provides ongoing support to the annual Jewish Culture Festival in Kraków, which began in 1988, one year before the official end of Communism in Poland, and has become the largest presentation of contemporary culture created by the Jews in Poland, Israel, and the Diaspora. The Festival now stretches over 10 summer days and nights, features 150 artists, and draws 30,000 participants from many countries. Participants enjoy workshops, lectures, discussions, guided tours, and musical performances.

The creation of the Festival 30 years ago signified a deep change in how Jews and Jewish culture were perceived and acknowledged in Poland. For many years after World War II, the communist regime discouraged open discussion of things Jewish, but with the loosening of government oppression and the rediscovery by many Poles

that they had Jewish origins, two gentile Poles, Janusz Makuch and Krzysztof Gierat, decided to organize a Jewish cultural festival. Their courage and foresight helped inaugurate the important process of regaining Jewish identity in Poland, and also began the process by which gentile Poles began to regain their shared cultural and historical ties with Poland's Jews. During the past 30 years, the Festival has been both a celebration and a rediscovery. Through the efforts of its Polish organizers to come to grips with their own heritage, it has highlighted important and sometimes contentious issues of cultural identity and cultural appropriation and recovery.

Taube Philanthropies' Jewish Heritage Initiative in Poland is proud to act as the principal American patron of the Jewish Culture Festival, an honor it has held since the beginning stages of the Festival.



Szalom on Szeroka, the grand finale concert of the 27th Jewish Culture Festival in Kraków. L-R: Irina Nevzlin (Beit Hatfutsot); Jeffrey Farber (Koret Foundation); Dr. Anita Friedman (JFCS, Koret Foundation); Tad Taube (Taube Philanthropies); Sean Taube (Taube Philanthropies); Shana Penn (Taube Philanthropies); Linda Law; Gal Tirosh; Dr. Deborah Lipstadt (Emory University); and William Cable









Photos: Jewish Culture Festival/ Michał Ramus

Galicia Jewish Museum

The Galicia Jewish Museum, in Kazimierz, the Jewish district of Kraków, commemorates the victims of the Holocaust and celebrates the Jewish culture of Polish Galicia. Its objectives are to challenge the stereotypes and misconceptions typically associated with the Jewish past in Poland and to educate both Poles and Jews about their own histories, while encouraging them to think about the future. The Museum's cultural and education programs, among the most extensive in Poland, serve both individual and group visitors, and the Media Resource Centre houses a growing archive of films on Jewish and Holocaust-related subjects.



Photo: Galicia Jewish Museum

Success in drawing visitors, scholars, artists, and others has brought the need to expand and enhance the facilities, especially the front space, which houses reception, exhibition entrance, coffee area, and bookshop. This area was designed in 2004, when the target annual visitor number was estimated to be 20,000. Since then the number of visitors has been growing each year, to over 55,000 in 2017. As a result, the Museum decided to begin a major renovation effort. During the first stage of the project, funded in 2017 by grants from Taube Philanthropies and Koret Foundation,

the Museum commissioned an architectural plan of the renovation. The first round of work, in spring 2018, focuses on enlarging the reception area, reorganizing the bookstore, and reconfiguring and refurbishing the coffee area.



L-R: Shana Penn (Taube Philanthropies), Tad Taube (Taube Philanthropies), and Dr. Anita Friedman (Koret Foundation). Photo: Galicia Jewish Museum

The second stage, pending funding, will include renovation of the welcoming area, rebuilding the entrance to the exhibition spaces, installing an electronic information system, and building a roof over the patio connecting the original museum building with the new wing. Installation of better audiovisual equipment and air-conditioning will improve the visitor experience, decrease the rental cost for equipment for major events and concerts, and raise rental income by improving the quality of the space.



Photo: Galicia Jewish Museum

Jewish Genealogy & Family Heritage Center

Orking closely with Taube Jewish Heritage Tours and the POLIN Museum, the Jewish Genealogy & Family Heritage Center housed at the Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute in Warsaw helps Jews to discover their Polish roots and assists Poles with discovering their Jewish roots. Its highly skilled staff



Aron Uszer Ładowski. Photo from the collection of the Jewish Genealogy & Family Heritage Center

helps visitors from all over the globe: Americans who want to trace their Polish heritage, Poles who come to the center looking for information on a Jewish family heritage that they may have discovered only recently, or Israelis who have heard that they once had family in this or that shtetl.

Since 2004, Taube Philanthropies has been the lead and ongoing funder of the Jewish Genealogy & Family Heritage Center. The Genealogy Center has now entered a new phase of development: the building of an interactive website that will facilitate guided genealogical research with online consultations for scholars, the general public in Poland, and worldwide.

Berkowicz Family. Photo from the collection of the Jewish Genealogy & Family Heritage Center



The JCCs of Poland

JCC Warsaw. Taube Philanthropies provides ongoing support to the Warsaw Jewish Community Center, established in 2013 through a partnership between Taube Philanthropies, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, and Koret Foundation. According to the JCC's Director, Agata Rakowiecka, "Some 25 years since the Jewish community in Poland was rejuvenated, we thought it was time for there to be an institution like this JCC in the capital."

The center offers a wide variety of activities and events. On Sundays it runs a kosher vegetarian brunch called Boker Tov, while children enjoy activities especially designed There are religious and secular people of different ages sitting together, talking, laughing.

for them. "There are religious and secular people of different ages sitting together, talking, laughing," remarked Rakowiecka. "I meet people who haven't been involved with Jewish life for years. At these moments, I realize how needed and how important our mission is."





Shabbat dinner for 600 guests organized by JCC Krakow during the Jewish Culture Festival 2017. Photo: JCC Krakow

JCC Krakow. Ongoing support from Taube Philanthropies helps fund the operations of JCC Krakow, which was established in 2008 as the focal point of Jewish life for Kraków's residents as well as for visitors from Poland and the world. The JCC boasts more than 650 active Jewish members, including 70 Holocaust survivors.

Taube Philanthropies has also awarded a one-time grant of \$150,000 to build the Taube Family Playground and Shana Penn Garden. The playground and garden are part of the JCC's new Frajda Early Childhood Center, which is a pluralistic Jewish nursery school. "I am thrilled to see Kraków's Jewish children learning together in a Jewish school," said Poland's Chief Rabbi, Michael Schudrich, at the Center's dedication ceremony.

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Rabbi Avi Baumol with children at JCC Krakow. Photo: JCC Krakow



Youth learning about Judaism. Photo: JCC Krakow



Rendering of the Taube Family Playground and Shana Penn Garden. Image: JCC Krakow

Hillel Warsaw

Iillel Warsaw opened its doors in August 2016 as the first organization to provide Jewish community life designed for college students, recent university graduates, and young Jewish adults in Poland. Now joined by a chapter in Kraków, Hillel organizes holiday, cultural, and Jewish learning programs, for young Jewish adults. Magda Dorosz, Director of Hillel Warsaw, noted: "We have particular needs as a community and a unique story to share with the rest of the Jewish world. The recognition and resources that Hillel International is committing to young Jews in Poland is a fantastic benchmark for our community's growth." In line with the mission of collaborative giving, Taube Philanthropies supported the founding of Hillel Warsaw, joining the UJA-Federation of New York, which provided lead support, and Koret Foundation.



Sean and Tad Taube hang the mezuzah in the newly opened Hillel Warsaw. Photo: Hillel Warsaw



Photo: Hillel Warsaw

Office of the Chief Rabbi of Poland

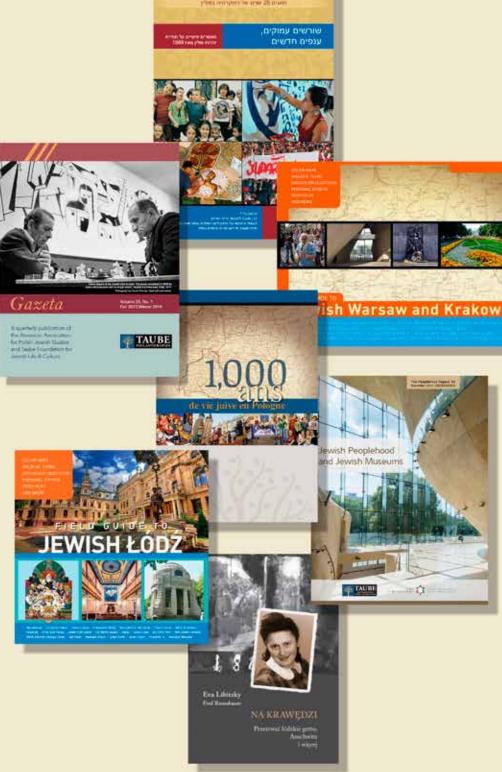
aube Philanthropies provides ongoing support to the Office of the Chief Rabbi of Poland, which represents the organized Jewish community, the Gmina. Rabbi Michael Schudrich leads the community in solving an array of social issues and problems — from traumatized Holocaust survivors who wanted their children to be Jewish but feared the consequences, to their "second generation" children, who usually shared these fears but combined them with efforts to practice Judaism in the difficult circumstances in which Jews found themselves for decades after WWII. Rabbi Schudrich has assisted Jews regardless of their halachic status or complex identities. His mandate extends to synagogue congregations across the country, from Warsaw and Łódź to Wrocław and Kraków.

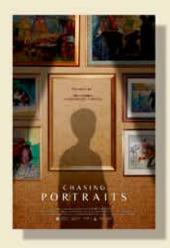


Chief Rabbi Michael Schudrich leads text study at Nożyk Synagogue, Warsaw. Photo: IMATHOME/Matt Kovalik

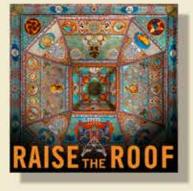
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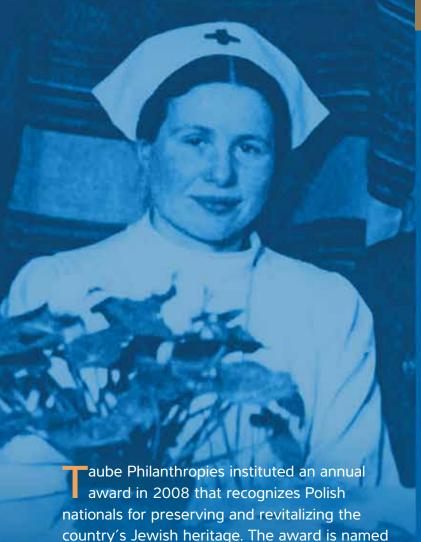
aube Philanthropies publishes an array of journals with partners including American Association for Polish-Jewish Studies (Gazeta), Center for Jewish Peoplehood Education (Jewish Peoplehood and Jewish Museums), and Taube Center for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland (Deep Roots, New Branches; 1,000 Years of Jewish Life in Poland; and Field Guide to Jewish Warsaw and Krakow). With the Taube Center and Libitzky Family funding, we published the Field Guide to Jewish Łódź and a Polish translation of Eva Libitzky's Holocaust memoir, Out on a Ledge. Taube Philanthropies also supports publications and films, including Raise the Roof, Who Will Write Our History?, and Chasing Portraits.











Irena Sendler Memorial Awards

award in 2008 that recognizes Polish nationals for preserving and revitalizing the country's Jewish heritage. The award is named in memory of Irena Sendlerowa (Sendler) a social worker who saved hundreds of Jewish children from the Warsaw Ghetto during the Nazi occupation. She was identified by Yad Vashem as one of the Righteous Among the Nations, and the Irena Sendler Memorial Award has become recognized as a significant honor within Poland and among the world's Jews.

The 2016 Sendler Award recipients were two scholars: Prof. dr hab. Monika Adamczyk-Garbowska, professor of English and comparative literature at the Maria Curie-Skłodowska University in Lublin, and architect and historian Maria Piechotkowa. Born in 1923, Dr. Piechotkowa was active in the 1944 Warsaw Uprising. She co-authored with her husband, Kazimierz, several groundbreaking publications that have preserved architectural memory of buildings

destroyed in the war, especially wooden and masonry synagogues. Professor Adamczyk-Garbowska, a major contributor to Yiddish literature studies in Poland and internationally, received her award during the Jewish Culture Festival in Kraków. Dr. Piechotkowa was honored at a ceremony at the POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews in Warsaw.

The 2017 Sendler Award recipients were 90-year-old Stefan Wilkanowicz, theologian, editor, educator; and Bogdan Białek, a psychologist who, since 2007, leads annual commemorations of the 1946 Kielce Pogrom in that city for the purpose of truth-telling and reconciliation. They received their awards at a ceremony at the Jewish Culture Festival in Kraków.

Nominations for the Irena Sendler Memorial Award are reviewed by a panel of Taube Philanthropies advisory board members and Jewish cultural leaders in Poland.



Previous awardees include (from top left) Janusz Makuch, director, Jewish Culture Festival, Kraków (2008); Jan Jagielski, archivist, Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute (2009); former President Aleksander Kwaśniewski (2010); the late Magda Grodzka-Gużkowska, partisan with Irena Sendler (2011); Prof. dr hab. Jolanta Ambrosewicz-Jacobs, Holocaust scholar, and Prof. dr hab. Maria Janion, public intellectual (2012); Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz, Mayor of Warsaw, and Bogdan Zdrojewski, former Minister of Culture and National Heritage (2013); Małgorzata Niezabitowska, journalist, and Tomasz Pietrasiewicz, director, Grodzka Gate-NN Theatre Center (2014); the late Dr. Jan Kulczyk, Distinguished Benefactor of POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews, and Krzysztof Czyżewski, founder and director, Borderlands Foundation (2015); Prof. dr hab. Monika Adamczyk-Garbowska, Yiddish literary scholar, and architect Maria Piechotkowa, synagogue architecture scholar (2016); Stefan Wilkanowicz, theologian, editor and educator, and Bogdan Białek, founder, Jan Karski Society and Institute for Culture, Meetings and Dialogue (2017).

GRANTS IN ISRAEL

\$15 million

gift provides for the expansion and enhancement of the **HUC-JIR Jerusalem campus**



L-R: Sean Taube (Taube Philanthropies); Natan Sharansky (The Jewish Agency for Israel); Tad Taube (Taube Philanthropies); Mayor Nir Barkat, (Mayor, City of Jerusalem); and Shana Penn (Taube Philanthropies) at the groundbreaking ceremony on June 29, 2016. Photo: HUC-JIR



Rendering of expanded Jerusalem Campus. Courtesy: Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Taube Family Campus, Jerusalem

its largest grant ever to a Jewish institution.

A \$15 million gift will provide for the expansion and enhancement of the Jerusalem campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. In his remarks at the groundbreaking, Tad Taube spoke of the importance of HUC-JIR to the training of Reform rabbis, cantors, educators, and nonprofit leaders "for Israel and the Jewish people as a whole."

Hebrew Union College was founded in Cincinnati in 1875 and became the premier Jewish seminary in North America and the academic, spiritual, and professional leadership development center of Reform Judaism. It established additional campuses in Los Angeles, New York, and Jerusalem.

As the pluralistic center of innovation for Jewish life and learning, HUC-JIR prepares Jewish religious leaders, educators, nonprofit professionals, pastoral counselors, and scholars to strengthen and transform Jewish communities and the larger world. All Hebrew Union College North American rabbinical, cantorial, and education students are required to spend their first year of study at the campus, where they establish lifelong ties to Israel that they later transmit as leaders of congregations, organizations, and communities worldwide.

"Our gift to Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion has special meaning for Taube Philanthropies," said Shana Penn, Executive Director of Taube Philanthropies, at the groundbreaking. "It is the Foundation's largest gift to a Jewish institution, and the first naming that the Taube Family has made in Israel."



Tad Taube receives a replica of the House of David stele, 9th century BCE, discovered at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion excavation at Tel Dan in 1993, from Rabbi Aaron Panken, President of HUC-JIR. Photo: HUC-JIR

When the Jerusalem campus was dedicated in 1963, its building included the first Reform synagogue in Israel. The Taube gift provides for a prominent new entrance designed by renowned architect Moshe Safdie, who originally designed an expansion of the campus three decades ago. A groundbreaking ceremony on June 29, 2016 was the occasion for naming the Taube Family Campus at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. In Jerusalem, the campus is headed by Israel's first ordained female rabbi, Dean Naamah Kelman. "It is exciting to consider that HUC-JIR's goals of pluralism, inclusivity, and Peoplehood can be powerfully transformative in the context of a 21st century Judaism," declared Shana Penn at the groundbreaking, "and nowhere more pivotal than in Israel today. We hope that Taube Philanthropies' gift helps bolster HUC-JIR to move Reform Judaism to the center of Jewish life in Israel and worldwide."

The Museum of the Jewish People at Beit Hatfutsot

\$5 million gift from Taube Philanthropies is funding the construction of a new gateway to the Museum of the Jewish People at Beit Hatfutsot on the Tel Aviv University campus. This pivotal grant is enabling the Museum to begin the final phase of a \$100 million overhaul scheduled for completion in 2019. The "Museum of the Jewish Diaspora," as it was known at its founding in 1978, serves as a global center for world Jewry, presenting a modern and inclusive approach to Jewish life.

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Renderings of the Taube Family Memorial Entrance (left) and the Tad and Dianne Taube Lobby at the Museum of the Jewish People at Beit Hatfutsot

Said Tad Taube, "We are honored to become part of the vision to transform one of the oldest museums in Israel into a 21st century landmark that celebrates Jewish Peoplehood around the world."

The new entrance and lobby are being designed by Daniel Mintz, who was awarded the 2012 Rechter Prize for the design of the International Seminars Wing of the International School for Holocaust Studies at Yad Vashem. The Taube Family Memorial Entrance and Tad and Dianne Taube Lobby will welcome visitors

to the Museum as they explore new exhibits featuring the past, present, and future of the Jewish people in Israel and throughout the world. The Taube Family Memorial Entrance honors Tad Taube's sister, Nita Hirsch, and his parents, Zyg and Lola Taube. Placed in the heart of the Tel Aviv University campus, it offers a 10,800-square-foot lobby that will set the tone for the Museum through visual displays that prepare visitors for the exhibits within. A plaque in the Main Hall will honor senior Taube Philanthropies staff Shana Penn, Vera Hannush, Alice Lawrence, and Maayan Stanton.

Tel Aviv Independence Gate Initiative

aube Philanthropies will serve as lead sponsor for the Tel Aviv Independence Gate Initiative with a \$1.2 million gift. The gate is a world-class multimedia and experiential visitor center at the entrance to Tel Aviv's new Freedom Trail, produced by the City of Tel Aviv in partnership with the Israel Democracy Institute, to celebrate Israel's 70th anniversary.

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Tel Aviv Independence Gate Initiative. Rendering: Israel Democracy Institute

Taube Philanthropies' lead sponsorship will enable the gate to open in April 2018 and welcome visitors from Israel and around the world. The City of Tel Aviv and the Israel Democracy Institute plan to travel the stunning installation throughout Israel and internationally. Taube Philanthropies is proud to play a role in commemorating the anniversary of the State of Israel during the year-long celebrations and beyond.



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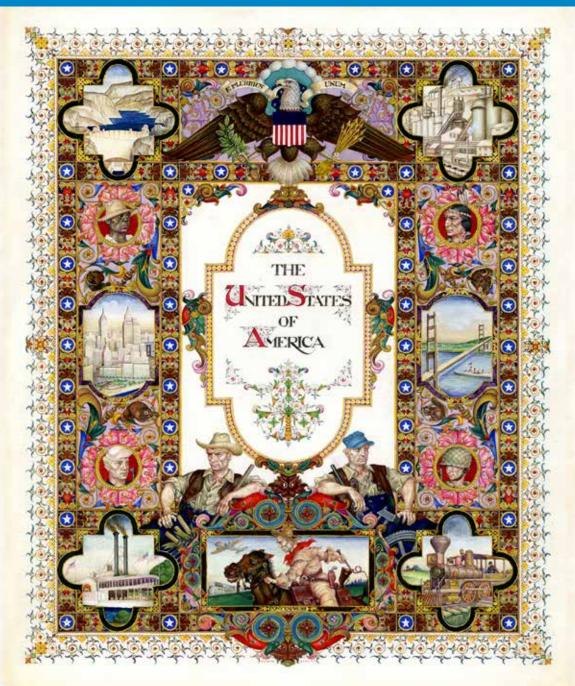
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