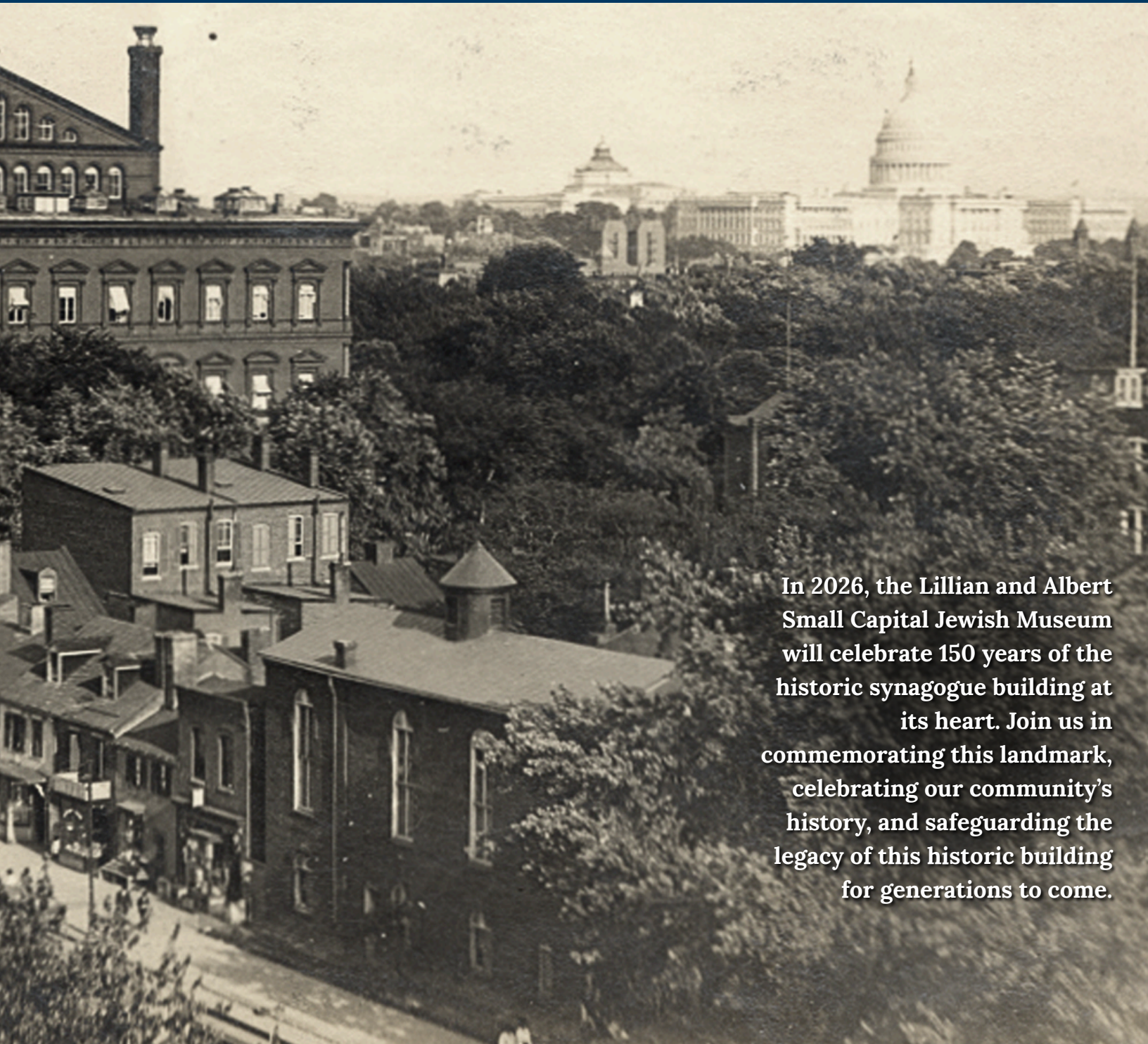


■■■■ LILLIAN AND ALBERT SMALL CAPITAL JEWISH MUSEUM

CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF THE HISTORIC SYNAGOGUE

1876 - 2026



In 2026, the Lillian and Albert Small Capital Jewish Museum will celebrate 150 years of the historic synagogue building at its heart. Join us in commemorating this landmark, celebrating our community's history, and safeguarding the legacy of this historic building for generations to come.



2026 marks both the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and the 150th anniversary of Adas Israel Congregation's historic synagogue.

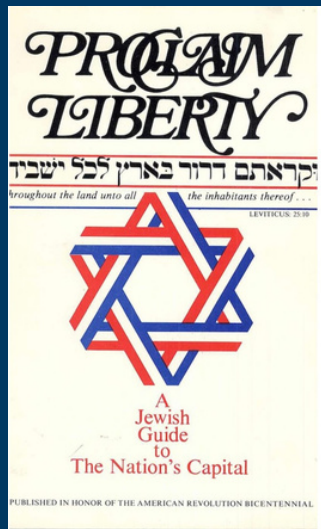
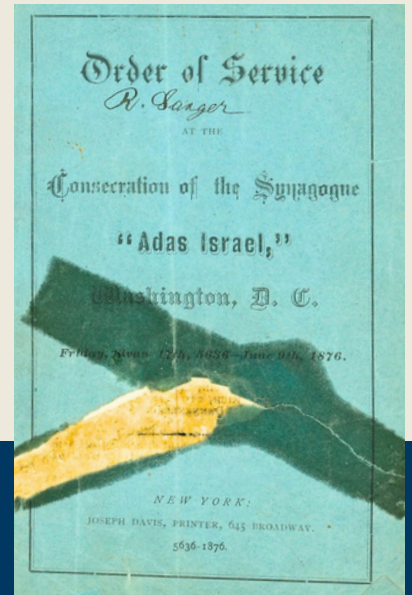
The confluence of America's 250th and Adas Israel's 150th is no coincidence. The founders of Adas Israel intentionally scheduled the dedication of their new building during the nation's centennial, publicly inscribing Jewish belonging in the American landscape and dedicating the building itself as a permanent symbol of Jewish American patriotism. To commemorate this important milestone, the Lillian and Albert Small Capital Jewish Museum seeks philanthropic support to celebrate this anniversary and plan for the historic synagogue's next 150 years:

- **Commemorate the historic synagogue** through the installation and dedication of a permanent exhibition showcasing the building's 150-year history, including the community advocacy behind its preservation.
- **Highlight foundational artifacts**, including the Mordecai Bible, that showcase early Jewish life in the United States.
- **Explore Jewish engagement in patriotic celebrations** with snapshots from 1876, 1926, and 1976, including a remarkable 10'x14' needlepoint tapestry, "Freedom Road," designed by artist Yankel Ginsburg.
- **Extend celebrations beyond the museum walls** with self-guided walking tours of Jewish DC, a version updated from one offered in 1976.
- **Leave a legacy for the future** with community contributions of reflections on contemporary Jewish life to our collection or to a time capsule set to be opened in commemoration of the nation's 300th birthday in 2076.
- **Host programming throughout the summer and fall** exploring these two milestones and the connections between American Jewish life and the Declaration of Independence
- **Protect and preserve the historic synagogue** to ensure it is a place visitors can experience for years to come.

OBJECTS ON VIEW

Following the dedication of the Adas Israel synagogue during the nation's centennial, the DC Jewish community continued to mark the country's anniversaries. Over the summer, the Museum will display artifacts from milestone commemorations to show how the Jewish community claimed and renewed their place in the nation's capital and the nation's history.

Order of Service used at dedication service of Adas Israel synagogue, 1876.



"Proclaim Liberty: A Jewish Guide to the Nation's Capital: Historic Places and People", edited by Susan Rebecca Brown and David Saperstein. 1976, Jewish Bicentennial Commission of Greater Washington



Souvenir booklet distributed at the 1926 Sesquicentennial International Exposition in Philadelphia, PA. The booklet was tucked into the scrapbook of Rabbi Harry Silverstone

"Freedom Road", 10x14-foot needlepoint tapestry, was created by the Washington Jewish community as part of the celebration of the American Bicentennial in 1976.

Designed by artist Yankel Ginzburg, the piece depicts the parting of the Red Sea, celebrating the journey from bondage to freedom. Sixty-one crafters from across DC, Montgomery County, and Northern Virginia were selected to bring this vision to life.

Displayed only temporarily, the tapestry was later donated to the US Holocaust Memorial Museum, where it has remained in their storage facility in Maryland, until now. Finally receiving its chance to be seen and celebrated with the community more widely, the Lillian and Albert Small Capital Jewish has a rare opportunity to display the tapestry as part of celebrating the Synagogue's 150th anniversary and the country's semiquincentennial.



"Freedom Road"

Yankel Ginzburg, 1976

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS AND BENEFITS

Founder, \$150,000

- Naming opportunity for the permanent lobby display about the historic synagogue.
- Name, written as preferred sponsor, on the main exhibition website page and prominently placed, outside of the standard funder credits block, to be used in all marketing and promotional materials dedicated to the exhibition.
- Speaking opportunities and logo recognition at the opening event and at major exhibition programming.
- Recognition at programs and events related to the 150th anniversary of the Historic Synagogue
- Announcement of the donor as a partner in CJM e-newsletter including a quote from the donor, to be distributed digitally in advance of opening.
- Recognition in the Annual Report.
- Name on all materials, signage, media about the exhibition while it is shown at the Capital Jewish Museum.
- Name recognition on exhibition's webpage and exhibition-specific e-blasts.
- Public recognition in opening remarks at Opening Event.



Architect, \$50,000

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Builder, \$25,000

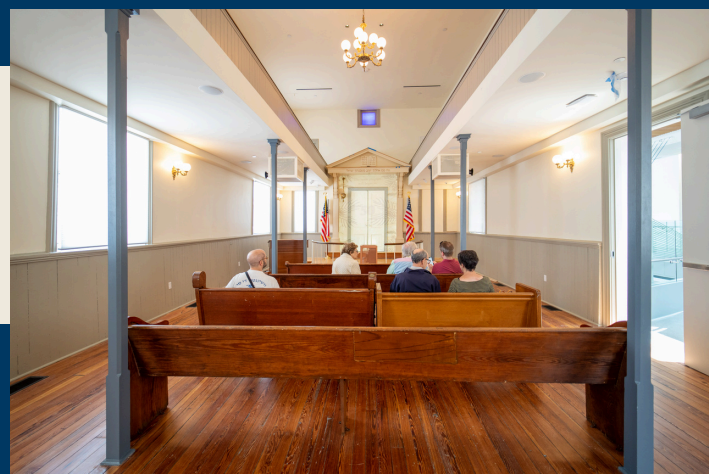
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Designer, \$10,000

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Planner, \$5,000

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