The 47th Meeting of the Board of Governors  
Monday - Thursday, May 27-30, 2019

* Board events are held in English unless otherwise indicated

**Monday, May 27, 2019**

12:00-13:00  **Steering Committee** (by invitation only)  
*Meeting Room, 27th Floor, Eshkol Tower*

13:30-15:30  **General Assembly of Committee Members**  
*Senate Hall, 29th Floor, Eshkol Tower*

18:00-19:30  **Graduate Studies Authority - The University of Haifa’s Doctorate (PhD) Conferment Ceremony, 2019**  
*In Hebrew with simultaneous English translation  
Rappaport Auditorium, 138 Hanassi Ave., Carmel Center, Haifa*

19:30  **Gala Event - Rambam Health Care Campus**

**Tuesday, May 28, 2019**

09:00-09:30  **Welcome and Registration**  
*Hecht Museum Foyer, Main Building*

09:30-11:00  **“The University is Driving the Future of Haifa”**  
**Opening Plenary Session**
- Opening remarks by **Prof. Alfred I. Tauber**, Chairman, Board of Governors: "Recognizing the Past and Looking to the Future"
- Keynote lecture by **Prof. Melvin L. Oliver**, President, Pitzer College, California: “Defending Higher Education’s Mission in times of Political Polarization”
- Presentation of the new BOG members
- Remarks by **Dr. Einat Kalisch Rotem**, New Mayor, City of Haifa
- Approval of the Board of Governors for the "University of Haifa Board of Governors Distinguished Professor Award"
- Ratification of the 2018/19 academic year budget
- Ratification of the financial statements of the University as of September 30, 2018
- Report of the Chair of the Control Committee, **Adv. Basha’er Fahoum-Jayoussi**
- Election of the New Chairman of the Board of Governors
- Remarks by the New Chairman of the Board of Governors, Bradley M. Bloom

M.C.: Noa Ayalon, PhD Candidate at the Department of Philosophy

Hecht Museum Auditorium, Main Building

11:00-11:30  Break

11:30-12:30  Plenary Session (continued)
- Welcome remarks:
  Prof. Ron Robin, President: "The Future of Our Campus: Univ. of Haifa achievements since our founding and in the past year, and our impact on Haifa and Israel by our 50th Anniversary"
- Nadav Shahar, Acting Chairman, Executive Committee
- Prof. Gustavo Mesch, Rector
- Presentation of the University of Haifa Board of Governors Distinguished Professor Award to Prof. Wendy Sandler, Department of English Language & Literature
- Presentation of the Rector's Prizes 2018/19 by Prof. Gustavo Mesch, Prof. Ido Izhaki, Vice President and Dean of Research and Prof. Gad Barzilai, Vice Provost
  Lecturer Prize for Outstanding Teaching:
  Dr. Dafna Regev, The Graduate School of Creative Art Therapies
  Outstanding Researchers:
  Prof. Mor Peleg, Department of Information System;
  Prof. Michal Gal, Faculty of Law
  Outstanding Young Researchers:
  Dr. Noga Ron Zewi, Department of Computer Science;
  Dr. Or Meir, Department of Computer Science
- Presentation of the Dusty and Ettie Miller Fellowship for Outstanding Young Scholars: Dr. Tammy Harel Ben-Shahar, Faculty of Law

Hecht Museum Auditorium, Main Building
12:30-13:00  **Celebrating Prof. Eviatar Nevo's 90th Birthday, The Institute of Evolution**  
*Hecht Museum Auditorium, Main Building*

13:00-14:00  **Lunch**  
*Meeting Researchers*  
*Hecht Museum Foyer, Main Building*

14:00-14:30  **Cornerstone Laying Ceremony of the Wild Cereal Gene Bank**  
Generously Supported by Sir Mick and Lady Davis, UK and Prof. Alfred I. Tauber, Israel / USA

Greetings: Prof. Ido Izhaki, Vice President and Dean of Research

Cornerstone Laying:  
**Prof. Tzion Fahima**, Director, Institute of Evolution  
**Dr. Tamar Krugman**, Curator, The Wild Cereal Gene Bank

M.C.: **Rina Budnitsky Pikkel**, PhD Candidate at the Faculty of Law

*Next to the Multipurpose Building and the Hatter Student Building*

15:00-16:30  **Inspiring TED Talks**

**Dr. Sylvia A. Earle**, 2019 Honorary Doctorate Recipient:  
"About the Ocean"

**Dr. Beverly Goodman-Tchernov**, The Leon H. Charney School of Marine Sciences:  
"Saving Life with Ancient Disasters"

**Prof. Sheizaf Rafaeli**, Faculty of Management and the Center for Internet Research:  
"Digital Culture/Clutter: Life and Death on the Net"

M.C.: **Tammar Truzman**, PhD Candidate at the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders  
*Floor 0, Hatter Student Building*
18:00-21:00  **Conferment of the Degrees of Doctor of Philosophy, *Honoris Causa* and the Carmel Award of Merit**

18:00  Gathering and Reception
19:30  Ceremony

Greetings:
**Bradley M. Bloom**, Chairman, Board of Governors  
**Prof. Gustavo Mesch**, Rector

**Degrees of Doctor of Philosophy, *Honoris Causa***:

**Jeremy M. Isaacs CBE**, United Kingdom  
Performing the Hooding:  
**Peter Kadas**, United Kingdom  
**Prof. Lili Orland-Barak**, Dean, Graduate Studies Authority

**Gila Almagor-Agmon**, Israel  
Performing the Hooding:  
**Tzili Charney**, Israel/ USA  
**Prof. Jenny Kurman**, Dean of Students

**Dr. Sylvia A. Earle**, USA  
Performing the Hooding:  
**Jay Ruderman**, USA  
**Prof. Edi Barkai**, Dean, Faculty of Natural Sciences

**Prof. Rafael Beyar**, Israel  
Performing the Hooding:  
**Imad Telhami**, Israel  
**Prof. Faisal Azaiza**, Dean, Faculty of Social Welfare & Health Sciences

**Justice Dalia Dorner**, Israel  
Performing the Hooding:  
**Ora Stibbe**, Israel  
**Prof. Oren Gazal-Ayal**, Dean, Faculty of Law

**Lorry I. Lokey**, USA  
The Honorary Degree was previously bestowed in the US

**Prof. Oliviero Stock**, Italy  
Performing the Hooding:  
**Yaron Valler**, Israel  
**Prof. Eran Vigoda-Gadot**, Dean, Herta & Paul Amir Faculty of Social Sciences
Responding on behalf of the recipients: **Prof. Rafael Beyar**

The Carmel Award of Merit:  
**Haifa Municipal Theatre**  
Performing the Hooding:  
**Prof. Ron Robin**, President  
**Dr. Michael Halberthal**, General Director, Rambam Health Care Campus

Artistic Program: Students from the School of Arts

M.C.: **Prof. Aya Ben Ron**, Department of Fine Arts  
**Prof. Simone Shamay-Tsoory**, Department of Psychology

* In Hebrew with simultaneous English translation

**Haifa Municipal Theatre, Pevzner St. 50, Haifa**  
(Parking is available at the Theater parking lot, 27 Pevzner St.)

---

**Wednesday, May 29, 2019**

10:00-12:00  
**Concluding Plenary Session**  
- Concluding Remarks: **Prof. Alfred I. Tauber**  
- Discussion and approval of the resolutions  
- Appointment of **Prof. Alfred I. Tauber** to Honorary Chairman of the Board of Governors  
- Closing Remarks: **Bradley M. Bloom**, Chairman, Board of Governors  
- Presentation of Honorary Fellowship Award to:  
  **Dr. Zafrira Ben-Barak**  
  **Sheikh Zeidan Atashi**

M.C.: **Jael Eskenazi-Zilcha**, PhD Candidate at the School of Political Science

**207 Hall, Dr. Reuben Hecht Arts Center**

12:30-14:00  
**Lunch**

**Research and Projects exhibition:**

- New family of proteins that promises to protect wheat and other plants from devastating diseases  
Institute of Evolution and Department of Evolutionary and Environmental Biology
- **Data and knowledge-based decision-support for patients with multiple disorders**
  Department of Information Systems

- **Role of Emotional Processing in Art Therapy for Breast Cancer Palliative Care Patients**
  School of Creative Arts Therapies and Emili Sagol Creative Arts Therapies Research Center

  - **The Association between Meat and its Cooking Method with Non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease and Insulin Resistance**
    School of Public Health

  - **Modelling Anthropocene Trophic Cascades of the Judean Desert Ecosystem: A Hidden Dimension in the History of Human-Environment Interactions**
    Leon Recanati Institute for Maritime Studies and Leon H. Charney School of Marine Sciences

  - **The Flagship Program for Combating Exclusion and Promoting Social Solidarity**
    The Office of the Dean of Students
    *Floor 0, Dr. Reuben Hecht Arts Center*

**Tour of the MFA degree final exhibition**
Curator: **Prof. Sharon Poliakine**
*Dr. Reuben Hecht Arts Center*

14:00-16:00 **Inspiring TED Talks**
Greetings: **Tzili Charney**, 2018 Honorary Doctorate Recipient and Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors

**Said Abu Shakra**, Founder, Umm el Fahm Art Gallery: "Art for Social Change"

**Daniela Geron**, Ground Segment System Engineer, SpaceIL: "The First Israeli Journey to the Moon"

M.C.: Naama Bar-on Shmilovitch, PhD Candidate at the Department of Human Services

207 Hall, Dr. Reuben Hecht Arts Center

16:00-17:00  Inauguration of the Faculty of Social Welfare and Health Sciences Building
Generously Supported by Maurice Kanbar and the Cheryl Spencer Memorial Foundation, USA

Greetings:
Prof. Ron Robin, President
Prof. Faisal Azaiza, Dean, Faculty of Social Welfare & Health Sciences

Affixing the Mezuzah:
Rabbi Dr. Yossef Stamler, Rabbi of the Vilna Gaon Campus Synagogue
Prof. Barry Shrage, USA

M.C.: Prof. Shira Zelber-Sagi, School of Public Health

The Faculty of Social Welfare and Health Sciences Building Foyer

19:30-21:30  Tribute to Prof. Alfred I. Tauber

Greetings:
Prof. Ron Robin, President
Bradley M. Bloom, Chairman, Board of Governors
Yona Yahav, Former Mayor, City of Haifa
Sonja Lahnstein-Kandel, 2017 Honorary Doctorate Recipient and Chairwoman of the Board of the German Friends Association

Musical Interlude: Mor Yani, violinist

M.C.: Prof. David Roe, Department of Community Mental Health

Dan Carmel Hotel, King Solomon Hall, Haifa
Thursday, May 30, 2019

11:00 - 13:00  German Friends Association Festive Reception

Greetings:
Prof. Ron Robin, President
Bradley M. Bloom, Chairman, Board of Governors (video greeting)
Dr. Sonja Lahnstein-Kandel, Chairwoman, Board of the German Friends Association
H.E. Dr. Susanne Wasum-Rainer, German Ambassador to Israel

○ Presentation of Projects supported by the German Friends Association
○ Panel Discussion: "The Making of an Empowered Society for and with Young Israelis: Rights and Responsibilities", with the participation of:
  ▪ Anne Spiegel, Minister for Family Affairs, Women, Youth, Integration and Consumer Protection of the State of Rhineland-Palatinate, Germany
  ▪ Adv. Samar Qudha, The Clinic for Human Rights in Society, The Faculty of Law
  ▪ Students of the social programs

○ Awarding of Scholarships

Floor 0, Hatter Student Building
Additional Events During the Board of Governors Meeting

Monday, May 27, 2019

08:30-18:00  Institute of Evolution - International Conference: "New Horizons in Evolution"
In honor of Prof. Eviatar Nevo's 90th birthday

For further information: https://conferences.evo.haifa.ac.il/

*Edmond Safdie Auditorium, Multipurpose Building*

10:00-16:45  Sign Language Research Lab: Grammar of the Body Symposium - Components of Language and their Emergence

Principal Investigator: **Prof. Wendy Sandler**

Session 1. The grammar of the body and its emergence
Session 2. The word, spoken and signed

For further information: http://gramby.haifa.ac.il/index.php/home-2
*Auditorium 101, Hatter Student Building*

16:00-17:00  **Lecture by Dr. Sylvia A. Earle**, Honorary Doctorate Recipient: "About the Ocean"

Hosted by the Leon H. Charney School of Marine Sciences

*Hecht Museum Auditorium, Main Building*
Wednesday, May 29, 2019

16:00-18:00  **The School of Criminology:**
With the participation of senior officials in the Israeli law enforcement system and international leading researchers

Session 1:
Doors to Where? Penal Policies and Reforms in the Next Twenty Years

Session 2:
The Israeli Criminal Justice System Today and Tomorrow: Reflections of Senior Officials

For further information:
http://bogcms.haifa.ac.il/images/bog2019/Criminology.pdf
Edmond Safdie Auditorium, Multipurpose Building

Thursday, May 30, 2019

12:00-14:00  **Lecture by Prof. Michael Feuer**, Dean, Graduate School of Education and Human Development, George Washington University; immediate past president of the National Academy of Education:

Introduction by: **Prof. Hanan Alexander**, Dean, Faculty of Education

The Faculty of Education - Prof. Gavriel Salomon and Prof. Ilan Gur-Zeev Memorial Lecture

Room 363, Entrance Level, Education Building
Exhibitions on Campus During the Board of Governors Meeting

Hecht Museum

"The Forgotten Suitcase": Finds from the H.D. Colt Expedition in Shivta (1933–1936; 1938) Revealed for the First Time
In the 1930's, Harris Dunscombe Holt, the famous archaeologist, was in charge of the largest excavation in Shivta whose findings were never uncovered. They were left in a suitcase forgotten in the Port of Haifa. Since then, just like a true detective story, the findings changed hands. In this exhibition, aptly titled "The Forgotten Suitcase", the artifacts are exposed to the scientific community for the very first time.
Curators: Dr. Yotam Tepper and Prof. Guy Bar-Oz

"The Last Swiss Holocaust Survivors"
86 Holocaust survivors still living in Switzerland are still amongst us. In this exhibition, the portraits and powerful stories of 14 survivors are displayed.
This Exhibition is a collaboration of the Hecht Museum, the Weiss-Livnat International MA Program in Holocaust Studies, the Swiss Embassy in Israel and the Gamaraal Foundation.
The Exhibition website: https://www.last-swiss-holocaust-survivors.ch/en

"Layers of Identity" - Winners of the Young Artists Competition 2018
The annual competition for young artists was established by Dr. Reuven Hecht z"l in 1992 and is meant to encourage young artists in the beginning of their artistic journey. This year, all three winning students found inspiration in the Museum’s archaeological collection and in it seek to find a sense of belonging; a sense of belonging to a place, a society and a culture.
Curator: Inna Berkowits

"Before the Earth Shook" - The Ancient City of Hippos-Sussita Emerges
An archaeological exhibition summarizing 18 years of research in the ancient city of Sussita. The story of Sussita tells the tale of the transition between the Pagan Era and the establishment of Christianity in the Land of Israel.
Curator: Dr. Michael Eisenberg, Director of the Hippos-Sussita Excavations Project, The Zinman Institute of Archaeology, Department of Archaeology
Younes and Soraya Nazarian Library

A collection of diverse exhibits by students and faculty members will be on display throughout the Nazarian Library, including the showrooms along the 600th floor corridor.

Campus Wide

"Dickens in the eye of the beholder": Photographic portraiture and the cultivation of celebrity

This exhibition of photographs of Charles Dickens examines the rise of modern celebrity culture. Dickens's fame, described by an early reviewer as advancing 'like a rocket', was promoted using one of the most significant technological innovations of the modern age: photography, recently invented in 1839. Taken together, they constitute an evolving narrative of celebrity, offering an opportunity to examine how this industry fashioned a concept of literary genius which blurred the boundary between writer and text.

Curators: Dr. Leon Litvack, Queen's University Belfast; Dr. Zoe Beenstock, Department of English Language and Literature

Corridor Opposite Younes and Soraya Nazarian Library, Floor 600, Main Building

"Bereshit – Main Building, University of Haifa"

The exhibition depicts the construction of the Main Building as part of the grand plan of Architect Oscar Niemeyer. The exhibition was initiated by Rona Perkis, the Director of the University Archives

Curator: Prof. Sharon Poliakine

MFA degree final project exhibition

Curator: Prof. Sharon Poliakine

Dr. Hecht Arts Center