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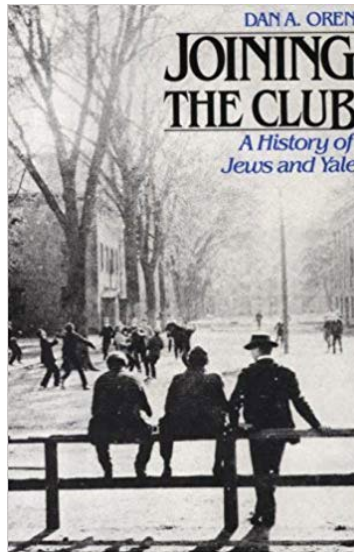
Jefferson Building



## Joining the Club: A History of Jews and Yale Speaker: Dan A. Oren, M.D.

This program is free and open to the public

**Program:** A recurring theme of American history is the tension between ethnic and racial minorities and majorities. For the past century, America's universities have witnessed these tensions up close. One hundred years ago, deans at Yale, Harvard, and other elite universities wrestled with the question of how many Jews deserved college admission and what kind of Jews they were seeking. Today, Asian Americans are suing Harvard University as a protest against racial discrimination in admissions and have been called out at Duke University for speaking Chinese with each other. Dan Oren, MD will share the history of selective admissions and quotas at Yale and other elite universities in the context of our ongoing American experiment and modern tensions regarding admissions of Asian-Americans to selective universities.



**Bio:** Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Dan A. Oren, M.D., Associate Professor of Psychiatry (adjunct) at Yale University, has worked for thirty years as a psychiatrist and faculty member at Yale and has been Visiting Professor of Physiology at the University of Rzeszów, Poland. He is a former research fellow at the National Institute of Mental Health. Oren's prior books are *Joining the Club: A History of Jews and Yale* and *How to Beat Jet Lag: A Practical Guide for Air Travelers*. He is author or co-author of numerous scientific articles. His scientific interest centers

on the mechanism of light's antidepressant effects in treating Seasonal Affective Disorder. He is married to artist Jeanette Kuvin Oren, and has two children and one grandchild. He has been tracing his genealogy for more than forty years.