

# Talking kites in the footsteps of Janusz Korczak

## Presentors



Prof. Moshe Shner is a senior lecturer at Oranim College. Shner got his Ph.D. in Jewish philosophy from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in NYC, where he studied the impact of the Holocaust

on Jewish identity. Currently, he is a Lecturer of Jewish philosophy, and heads the History and Philosophy department of Oranim College.

His academic teaching includes topics in Jewish philosophy, Jewish education, Holocaust Education, and the challenge of modern Jewish identity, interfaith dialogues, and multicultural education in a post-Holocaust world.

A special place in his writings and teaching is dedicated to the legacy of the Polish-Jewish educators Janusz Korczak and Yitzhak Katzenelson.

Besides Judaic studies, Shner deals with cross-cultural Global Education programs and the challenge of the Internet World to traditional teaching-learning paradigms.

In addition to numerous articles and chapters in academic and popular platforms, Shner published *In the Beginning there was the Holocaust: a Spiritual Journey into the Abysses of History.* (2013), *Born Virtual: Free Human Spirit in a Borderless World.*(2012), and *Korczak and Katzenelson – two Educators in the Abysses of History.* Tel Aviv: (2011; 2021).

Shner is a board member of the Ghetto Fighters' House Holocaust Museum



Dr. Agnieszka Witkowska-Krych is a cultural anthropologist, researcher of Hebrew language and culture and sociologist. In the Warsaw Ghetto, for many years Witkowska-Krych worked in the research center of the Warsaw Museum, and currently works at the Jewish Historical Institute and the Polish Cultural Institute at the University of Warsaw. Dr. Witkowska-Krych has published a number of academic and educational articles on the history and culture of Polish Jews. She is the author of the

book *"Mniej strachu. Ostatnie chwile z Januszem Korczakiem"* (Less Fear. The Last Moments of Janusz Korczak). The book was published in 2019, and won the KLIO Prize for Best Historical Books.



Tzipi Marhaim: Doing my PHD about Korczak's impact on teachers in the process of forming their identities in Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan Poland.

Teacher at Levinsky College in Tel-Aviv.

Principal of Avichail School (10 years). Avichail was experimental school which acted according to Korczak's ideas and became a distribution center of his model.

Principal of Katzir School (6 years) which had active democratic frameworks.

Working in the Democratic school in Hadera.

Ex-Member of the Janusz Korczak Israeli Educational Institute and Chairperson.