Guide to the

**Raphael Patai papers**
1903-2011 [bulk 1937-1995]
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**Summary**

**Creator:** Patai, Raphael, 1910-1996

**Title:** Raphael Patai papers

**Date:** 1903-2011 [bulk 1937-1995]

**Size:** 50.02 linear feet (114 boxes, 6 volumes, 4 oversized folders); 1.02 mb (34 computer files)


**Abstract:** Raphael Patai (1910-1996) was a cultural anthropologist specializing in Jewish and Arab cultures. His papers, 1903-2011, document his career through extensive correspondence with colleagues, drafts and manuscripts of his many publications, lectures, research notes, photographs, scrapbooks, and sound and video recordings. The collection includes files created by his daughter, Daphne Patai, after his death, and correspondence and writings of his father, Jozsef Patai.

**Access:** Advance notice required.

**Conditions Governing Access:**

Correspondence between Raphael Patai and his daughters, Daphne Patai and Jennifer Patai Schneider, is restricted during their lifetimes. Diaries (Series VII) and interviews that Daphne Patai conducted with her father between 1988 and 1996 (located in Series VI) are closed until 2030, except by written permission from Daphne Patai. Original sound and video recordings are unavailable until digitized.

**Preferred citation:** Raphael Patai Papers, Manuscripts and Archives Division, The New York Public Library.

Raphael Patai was born in Budapest, Hungary on November 22, 1910, the son of Hungarian Jews, Edith (Ehrenfeld) Patai and Jozsef (or Joseph) Patai (1882-1953). Until 1935, Patai used his birth name Ervin George Patai. His father was a prominent scholar, editor and Zionist who published a biography of Theodor Herzl and who was the editor from 1910 to 1940 of a monthly journal of Jewish affairs entitled Mult es Jovo (Past and Future). Patai's father was also a founder of the Zionist Organization in Hungary and was instrumental in procuring the support for the settlement of Jews in Palestine where he also settled in 1939.

Raphael was educated in rabbinical seminaries and at the universities of Budapest and Breslau. In 1933, after receiving a doctorate in Semitic languages and Oriental history from the University of Budapest, he settled in Palestine where he continued his studies at the Hebrew University from which he received (in 1936) a doctorate in Palestinology. Afterwards, he returned briefly to Budapest where he was ordained at the Rabbinal Seminary.

In Palestine, Dr. Patai held several teaching posts at Hebrew University and at Haifa Technion. In 1944, he founded the Palestine Institute of Folklore and Ethnology, serving until 1948 as its director of research and editor of its quarterly journal Edoth, which he also founded.

In 1947, with the aid of a fellowship from the Viking Fund for Anthropological Research, Patai studied the Jews of Mexico. Upon the completion of his research, Patai settled in the United States where he became a naturalized American citizen in 1952.

During his academic career, Dr. Patai held numerous visiting professorships at American universities including Columbia University, the University of Pennsylvania, Princeton University, New York University and Ohio State University. He held professorships of Anthropology at Dropsie College (1948-1957) and at Fairleigh Dickinson from 1966 until his retirement. He also directed (1955-1956) a research project on Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan for the Human Relations Area Files, Inc. (New Haven, Connecticut) and prepared a special report on social conditions in the Middle East for the United Nations in 1952.

Patai also served as Director of Research for the Herzl Institute and editor of the Herzl Press, and as an advisory editor of Encyclopedia American. He was President of the American Folklore Society and a fellow of the American Anthropological Association.

Dr. Patai's principal contributions to scholarship were in the fields of cultural anthropology of the ancient Hebrews and Jews and of the modern Middle East. He published hundreds of scholarly articles and authored or edited some thirty-five books including The Arab Mind (1973), Gates to the Old City (1980), The Hebrew Goddess (1967), The Jewish Mind (1976), The Messiah Texts (1979), and The Vanished Worlds of Jewry (1980). With Robert Graves he co-authored Hebrew Myths (1964).

By his first marriage to Naomi Tolkowsky, Dr. Patai had two daughters, Jennifer (Dr. Jennifer Patai-Schneider, born 1940), and Daphne (Dr. Daphne Patai, born 1942). Patai was married three more times, to Irene Patai, Ann Uhl Drevet, and Frances Sheldon.


Scope and Content Note

The Raphael Patai papers date from 1903 to 2011. The collection documents Patai's career as a
scholar, editor, professor and author on the subjects of Jewish culture and history and the modern Middle East. Patai's publications and speaking engagements are extensively documented through manuscript drafts, research notes, and transcripts and recordings of lectures and interviews. Patai's personal and professional activities are further documented through photographs, correspondence, scrapbooks, and diaries. The collection contains some papers of Patai's family members, including his parents Edith and Jozsef Patai and sister Eva Patai. Files of Raphael Patai's daughter, Daphne Patai, document her stewardship of her father's estate and posthumous publications of his work. The collection also contains artwork created and collected by Patai, comprising sketches, paintings, and prints. Materials are in English, German, Hebrew and Hungarian.

**Key Terms**

**Titles**

'Edot

**Occupations**

Anthropologists

Authors

College teachers

**Subjects**

Ethnology -- Israel

Ethnology -- Middle East

Jews -- Social life and customs

Jews, American

Jews, Hungarian

Judaism

**Geographic Names**

Middle East

**Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Photographs

Scrapbooks

Sound recordings

**Names**

Goldmann, Nahum, 1895-1982

Patai, Jo_zsef, 1882-1953

Patai, Raphael, 1910-1996

Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate Learning

Fairleigh Dickinson University

Palestine Institute of Folklore and Ethnology
Container List

Series I. Correspondence 1930s-2008

I.A. General Correspondence 1937-1999

General correspondence consists of letters to Patai and copies of his replies arranged chronologically. The bulk of the correspondence is with university professors, anthropologists, ethnologists, sociologists, editors of scholarly journals, publishers, academic and scientific associations, and Jewish and Zionist organizations. English is the dominant language with some correspondence in Hebrew, Hungarian, French, and German.

There is some correspondence of Daphne Patai as the executrix of her father's estate. The files also contain some near-print and printed material.

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- b. 1 f. 7-10 1948-1949
- b. 2 f. 1-4 1949
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- b. 4 f. 9 1955 Jan-May
- b. 5 f. 1 1955 Jul-Dec
- b. 5 f. 2-3 1956
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- b. 5 f. 9-10 1959 Jan-Aug
- b. 6 f. 1 1959 Sep-Dec
- b. 6 f. 2-4 1960
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- b. 6 f. 8-10 1962
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b. 16 f. 6-8 1995
b. 17 f. 1 1996
b. 17 f. 1 Draft letters to editors
b. 17 f. 2 Undated
b. 94 f. 1 Miscellaneous letters 1968-1996
   Includes a letter from Paolo Ronai, 1988.
Subject correspondence files contain correspondence and related documents arranged alphabetically by topic or correspondent. Files also contain articles, book proposals, near-print and printed material, notes, and photographs. Some correspondence of Daphne Patai, dating after her father’s death, is included.

The file labeled “Graves-Patai” contains letters between Beryl Graves, William Graves and Raphael Patai concerning the publication of *Hebrew Myths* and the Graves-Patai letters. There are also several letters from David Street, written from Baghdad, Iraq in 1946 and 1947, about the lives of the Jewish population there. These letters appear to have provided source material for Patai’s book *The Jewish Race*. The letters are accompanied by approximately fifty black and white snapshot photographs of resident Jews and the environment in and around Baghdad.

Files on several of Patai’s publications can be found here, including *Apprentice in Budapest*, *Hebrew Myths*, *Jadid Al Islam: The Jewish “New Muslims” of Meshhed*, *The Jewish Mind*, *Journeyman in Jerusalem*, and *The Middle Gate*. Patai’s Princeton University files contains correspondence on *The Jewish Alchemists* and *Jewish Seafaring in Ancient Times*.
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b. 19 f. 2  Chicago Jewish Forum 1954-1955
b. 19 f. 3  Columbia University 1954-1955
b. 19 f. 4  Conference on Jewish Relations, Inc 1954-1955
b. 19 f. 5  Conference. General Info 1985-1989
    Council for the International World Religions
b. 19 f. 6  1986-1987
b. 19 f. 7  1988
b. 19 f. 8  1989
b. 19 f. 9  1989-1990
b. 19 f. 10  Davis, Kingsley 1955-1956
b. 19 f. 10  Diaspora 1950-1970
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b. 20 f. 1  1948-1950
b. 20 f. 2  1950-1951
b. 20 f. 3  1952-1953
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b. 20 f. 5  1954-1955
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b. 20 f. 10  Ehrlich, Robert W 1955-1956
b. 20 f. 11  Einstein, Albert 1950-1951
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b. 21 f. 1  1958-1959
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b. 22 f. 1  Encyclopaedia Judaica 1961-1968
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           Fairleigh Dickenson University
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b. 23 f. 1-3 Festschrift 1970s-1980s
b. 23 f. 4  Field, Henry 1955-1957
b. 23 f. 4  Ford, Clellan S 1954-1956
b. 23 f. 5  Ford Foundation 1955-1959
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b. 23 f. 8  Frankenstein, Carl 1953
b. 23 f. 8  Franklin Publications 1955-1956
b. 23 f. 8  Frayha 1955
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b. 24 f. 3  Graham, Milton D 1955-1957
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b. 24 f. 4  1961-1962
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b. 24 f. 8  Graves-Patai 1982-1988
           Correspondence with Beryl Graves and William Graves.
b. 24 f. 10  Gulick, John 1955-1956
b. 25 f. 1  Gutwirth, Jacques 1988-1989
b. 25 f. 2  Gyorgy, Gado 1993-1994
b. 25 f. 3  Haboucha and Peretz 1995-1996
b. 25 f. 4  Hadassah 1954-1955
b. 25 f. 4  Hamlyn Group 1969-1970
b. 25 f. 4  Hazard, Harry W 1956
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- b. 26 f. 1  Hebrew Mythology requests 1940s-1980s
- b. 26 f. 2  Hebrew University 1934-1946
- b. 26 f. 3  Herz Press 1957, 1964
- b. 26 f. 4  Highfill, Judy 1983
- b. 26 f. 5  Histadruth Ivrit of America 1953-1956
- b. 26 f. 6  Hitt, Philip K 1952-1965
- b. 26 f. 7  Hockett, Dennis G 1981-1982
  Human Relations Area File, Inc
- b. 26 f. 8  1954-1955
- b. 26 f. 9-10  1956-1957
- b. 26 f. 11  Hurewitz, J.C 1954-1956
- b. 26 f. 13  Impact of Israel on American Jewry 1956-1958
- b. 26 f. 14  Institute of Jerusalem 1939
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- b. 26 f. 1  1971, 1985
- b. 27 f. 1  1986
- b. 27 f. 2-3  1987
- b. 27 f. 4-5  Notes and related material 1988-1989
- b. 27 f. 6-7  International Middle East Alliance 1987
- b. 27 f. 8  Israel Research Project 1950-1951
- b. 27 f. 9  Issawi 1955-1957
- b. 27 f. 10  Jadid Al-Islam: The Jewish "New Muslims" of Meshhed 1985-1997
- b. 28 f. 1  Jewish Agency. American Section, Inc 1968-1969
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- b. 28 f. 2  1979-1993
- b. 28 f. 3  1991
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- b. 28 f. 5  1993-1994
- b. 28 f. 6  Jewish Humor 1984-1986
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- b. 28 f. 8  1947-1952
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- b. 94 f. 4  Jewish Race Project 1976-1998
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b. 29 f. 1 Katz, Michael Jay 1989
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b. 29 f. 2 1964-1973
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b. 29 f. 7 Kohen, Elli 1990
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b. 31 f. 1 Lucius N. Littauer Foundation 1953-1955, 1973
b. 31 f. 2 Macarie, Peter 1953-1955
b. 31 f. 2 McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc 1955
b. 31 f. 2 Malamet, Colin 1954-1960
b. 31 f. 3 Makdisi, Anis Khur 1956
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b. 31 f. 8 Messing, Simon D 1955-1956
b. 31 f. 9-10 Mexico (Venta Prieta) 1954-1966
Middle East Institute

Middle East Research Associates 1957

Middle Eastern Affairs (magazine) 1953-1958

Middle Gate 1993

Morgan State College 1954-1957

Nachum, Mathias 1956

National Academy of Sciences 1973-1976


Navy, Dept. of 1952

Neuman (Zausmer) 1955-1957

Neubart, Leo 1955-1956

News World Communications 1985-1986

Ohio State University 1954-1957

Paragon House Publishers 1986-1989

Perlmann, Moshe 1955-1956

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Prentice Hall 1968-1972

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Royal Anthropological Institute 1953-1954

Samuel, Viscount Edwin 1967-1971

Scheiber, Alexander 1960, 1976
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b. 34 f. 6 Schorger, William 1956
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b. 37 f. 7 Weinryb, Bernard D 1955
b. 37 f. 7 Wendell, Charles 1955
Wenner-Gren Foundation
b. 37 f. 8 1950-1953
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Series II. Writings 1920-2008
II.A. Articles, Essays, and Books 1930s-2008

This subseries contains drafts and manuscripts of Patai’s monographs, articles, and essays. The files in this subseries also contain correspondence, notes, photographs, and printed matter related to the works. The subseries is arranged alphabetically by title or subject.

Articles concern Arab culture, Jewish culture, Diaspora, and Arab-Jewish conflict, among other topics. Articles include "Communal Charity Among the Oriental Jews," "Jewish Heritage in America: The European Sephardi Legacy," and "Problem of Islam. Jews in the House of Islam."

Monographs are represented by drafts in various stages of development. Among the books included here are Arab Folktales from Palestine and Israel; Between Hungary and Palestine. The Patai Family Letters, 1933-1938; Children of Noah: Jewish Seafaring in Ancient Times; Hebrew Myths: The Book of Genesis (co-authored with Robert Graves); The Jewish Alchemists; The Jews of Hungary; and Nahum Goldman. His Mission to the Gentiles. This subseries contains one published volume: Mivhar ha-sipur ha-Eretsisi e'li (1938), an anthology edited by Raphael Patai.

The subseries also holds manuscripts of a translation of the Quran, which Patai never published. The collaboration between Patai and Dr. Ben-Shemesh on the translation ended in dispute. Ben-Shemesh continued the work alone and later published the translation as The Noble Quran. The dispute centered on disagreements over translation and Patai’s ownership claim to literary rights for his contributions. The files contain correspondence between Patai and Ben-Shemesh.

b. 40 f. 1 America and the Middle East undated
b. 40 f. 1 American Jew and the New Israel 1951
b. 40 f. 1 Americanization 1972
b. 40 f. 2-10 Apprentice in Budapest: Memories of a World that is No More circa 1988
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- Corrected or "Dady's copy"
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Arab Mind undated

Arab Personality: From Childhood Roots to Adult Traits undated

Ba’Ale Shem [the]Occult Healers of East Europe undated

Bedouins of Arabia 1961

Sample draft

Between Hungary and Palestine. The Patai Family Letters 1933-1938

Holograph manuscript

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Bible in the Middle East Setting 1957

Biblical Heroes as Alchemists undated

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Como y porque sobrevivio el Judaismo en Meshhed 1965

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b. 45 f. 15 Ethnocentrism in Education in the Muslim World 1988
  Abstract
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b. 46 f. 1 Falasha Communal Village System in Ethiopia undated
b. 46 f. 2 The Fountainhead: The Ancient Near East and Western Civilization circa
  1983 (2 annotated copies)
  
b. 46 f. 3-4 Gates to the New City. Modern Hebrew Jewish Legends undated
b. 46 f. 4 God All To Human 1995
b. 46 f. 5-6 God is Dead undated
b. 46 f. 7 Hebrew Education in the Marrano 1986
b. 46 f. 8-11 Hebrew Goddess
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  Material for 3rd ed.
b. 47 f. 4 Hebrew Mythology
  Synopsis
Hebrew Myths: The Book of Genesis 1964
By Robert Graves and Raphael Patai

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Percentage of Jews Among Noble Prize Winners

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II.D. Broadcasts 1946-1947, 1982

These broadcasts are corrected scripts of folktales that were aired in Israel by various
broadcasters. Patai may have done the editing and the broadcasts may have been a source for
Patai's book on Arab folktales. The languages are Hebrew and English. Another source of
information for *Arab Folktales from Palestine and Israel* may have been the oral history
transcripts. Written in English and Hebrew, the transcripts were generated in 1982.

The subseries includes transcripts, correspondence, notes and printed matter.

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Series III. Family Papers circa 1903-1995

This series contains papers of Raphael Patai's parents Edith and Jozsef Patai and sister Eva
Patai (Koigen Patai), and files of correspondence with his family members.

III.A. Edith Patai circa 1939-1960

Edith Patai's papers consist of writings in Hungarian with a few manuscripts in Hebrew. There
is a novel entitled *Herzl's Wife* and two draft novels. The remaining material is partial or loose
pages. Since most of the manuscripts are in Hungarian, this work may have been written while
Edith was living in Hungary, before emigrating to Israel.

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III.B. Eva Patai circa 1959-1985

Eva Patai's files include a partial typescript of her book *Der Wunderdoktor von Jerusalem*,
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manuscripts, lectures, one undated letter, poems, and a birth certificate.

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III.C. Jozsef Patai circa 1903-1960

Jozsef Patai (1882-1953) was a scholar and Zionist activist. His papers here include an original manuscript, The House on the Mountain, in German. Raphael Patai would later reintroduce his father's book to the public through an introduction and translation. There are two typescripts of this translation, with variations. This subseries includes two bound volumes the journal Mult es Jovo for the years 1912 and 1926.

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Articles

Unidentified
Mult es Jovo
Bound volumes with illustrations.

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III.D. Family correspondence 1918-1995

The bulk of the family correspondence is letters between Raphael Patai and his parents, Jozsef and Edith (Erenfeld) Patai; his sister, Eva Hirsch-Patai (later Koigen); and his brother, Saul Patai, a professor in the department of organic chemistry at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Much of the correspondence from the 1930s is between Dr. Jozsef Patai at Palestine and members of his family in Budapest and Paris. By the end of the 1930s, the Patai family had settled in Palestine. After 1947, the correspondence is between Raphael Patai in New York and members of his family in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa and Givataim (Israel). In addition to family matters, the correspondence relates to economic, social and political affairs in Israel. Correspondents include Raphael Patai's wives Naomi Tokowsky Patai, Irene Patai, Ann Uhl Drevet Patai and Frances Sheldon Patai. Letters are mostly written in Hungarian with some letters in Hebrew and English.

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Correspondence between Raphael Patai and his daughters, Daphne Patai and Jennifer Patai Schneider, is restricted during their lifetimes.

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Photographs depict Patai, his family, his appearances at events and lectures, and travels in Europe, Mexico, and Israel. The glass plate negatives are mostly images of Patai when he was a teenager and images of his parents and siblings. The files also contain images that were used for his books, including Jews of Kurdistan, Myths of the Jewish Race, and The Jewish Alchemists.

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Prints of some of these negatives can be found in the photograph albums in box 98.

b. 114  Negatives circa 1950s-1960s
Series V. Personal Miscellany 1932-1990s
This series consists of Patai's diplomas and certificates; identification cards and passports; scrapbooks containing clippings, printed matter, and correspondence related to Patai's career; and a recording of his daughters singing as children.
b. 100 f. 5  Identification cards and passports 1932-1994
From Hungary, Palestine, Israel, and the United States.
b. 100 f. 6-7  Business cards and address book 1980s-1990s
origsr.237192  Children's singing 1951, 1953, 1964
Original Sound recording unavailable until digitized.
Diplomas
b. 93 f. 1  Doctoral diplomas
b. 93 f. 2  Certificates
Series V. Personal Miscellany (cont.)
Diplomas (cont.)

b. 109 1936
Doctoral diploma from the University of Budapest; rabbinical diploma from the Jewish Theological Seminary of Budapest; diploma from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem; two unidentified diplomas in Hebrew.

Scrapbooks

v. 6 1947-1955
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Series VI. Recordings of Lectures and Interviews 1953-1996

Most of the recordings are lectures in front of a live audience at universities and similar settings. Interviews include both interviews conducted by Patai, and interviews where his life and work were the subject. This series includes many talks on The Hebrew Goddess, as well as several interviews and conversations with Robert Graves related to Hebrew Myths: The Book of Genesis.

All recordings are sound recordings, except for two video recordings of interviews with Patai. The lectures are mostly in English with some in Hungarian.

Original Sound and Video recordings are unavailable until digitized.

VI.A. Lectures 1964-1992

origsr.237186 Herzl Press 10th Anniversary speeches 1964
From 10th anniversary luncheon. Speakers are: Dr. Emanuel Neumann; Dr. Nahum Goldmann; Dr. Judah Shapiro; and Dr. Raphael Patai.
Original Sound recording unavailable until digitized.

Diaspora 1972 Mar 8 (1 Audiocassette (60 min.))
Lecture at New Rochelle 1977 Nov 13 (1 Audiocassette (60 min.))
Lecture in St. Louis 1977 Mar 27-28 (1 Audiocassette (90 min.))
The Hebrew Goddess 1978 Apr 6 (1 Audiocassette (90 min.))
7th Century Arabia, the influence of Jews on Islam 1984 (2 Audiocassettes (2 hours 30 min.))
Three lectures presented in Alexandria, VA. Venue unknown

origsr.237169 Hungarian Jews Abroad 1986 Oct 27
Original Sound recording unavailable until digitized.

Lecture at Rockville, MD 1986 Oct 28 (1 Audiocassette (60 min.))

origsr.237170 The Hebrew Goddess 1989 May 5-6
Recorded in Ashland, OR. May 5, 1989 recording is Hebrew Goddess lecture; May 6 recording has question-and-answer session.
Original Sound recording unavailable until digitized.

Jewish Alchemists 1989 May 7 (1 Audiocassette (2 hours))
The Hebrew Goddess 1990 Feb 13 (1 Audiocassette (90 min.))
Lecture presented at the University of Honolulu
Scheiber World 1991 Jun 11 (1 Audiocassette (90 min.))
Lecture presented to the Federation of Hungarian Jews
The Hebrew Goddess 1992 May (5 Audiocassettes (10 hours))
Lecture presented at the University of Utah
Polytheism and Yahwism/Cherubin 1992 Nov 16-17 (1 Audiocassette (90 min.))
Shekinah/The Matronit 1992 Nov 18-19 (1 Audiocassette (90 min.))
Jewish and Arab Diaspora undated (1 Audiocassette (90 min.))
### Jews in Arab Lands

- **Jewish Communities in Yemen and Morocco/Jewish and Arab Folk Culture**
  - undated
  - 1 audiocassette (90 min.)

### The Position of Women in Jewish and Arab Society

- undated
- 1 audiocassette (90 min.)

### Personality and Politics

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### Lecture at Scarsdale

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Interview with Patai undated (1 audiocassette (90 min.))

VI.C. Hungarian Interviews / Lectures 1993

Interview with Eva Balint 1993 Sep 22 (2 audiocassettes (120 min.))
Interview and Lecture at the PEN Club 1993 Sep 27 (1 audiocassette (90 min.))
Interviews with Gyorgy Hoventi and Dr. Peter Englander (President of the Hungarian Zionist Organization) 1993 Sep 28 (1 audiocassette (90 min.))
Interviews with Gyorgy Szabad and Laszlo Herzog 1993 Sep 29 (1 audiocassette (90 min.))
Interview with Laszlo Karsay / Lecture by Patai 1993 Oct 1 (1 audiocassette (90 min.))
Interviews with Ember Maria, Raj Tamas and Deak Gribov 1993 Oct 2 (1 audiocassette (90 min.))
Lecture at the Hungarian Zionist Organization, Budapest 1993 Oct 3 (1 audiocassette (90 min.))

Series VII. Diaries 1947-1996

Diaries contain brief entries documenting Raphael Patai’s social and professional activities.

Diaries are closed until 2030, except by written permission from Daphne Patai.

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Series VIII. Artwork 1920s-1980s

Artwork consists of prints, drawings, and paintings. Most of the artwork is unrelated to Patai’s research.

- b. 112 f. 1 Miklos Szines-Sternberg--illustrations for Hasidic Stories: Souls and Secrets 1920s
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  Includes self-portrait by Joseph Uhl, and portrait of Franz Blei
  o. 4 Prints
  Prints depicting classical and Biblical scenes and copies of Renaissance art

Series IX. Publishing Files 1961-2011

Publishing files contain contracts and correspondence regarding Raphael Patai's books, especially posthumous publications. The series contains files concerning Daphne Patai's efforts to have her father's Encyclopedia of Jewish Folklore completed and published after his death. The series also contains correspondence and clippings concerning the public and scholarly reaction after The Arab Mind was cited in a 2004 article by Seymour Hersh as one of the inspirations for the U.S. Army’s abuse of prisoners at Abu Ghraib prison.

- b. 106 f. 1-14 1995-2008
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Arab Mind controversy

b. 106 f. 15  2000s
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Encyclopedia of Jewish Folklore

b. 107 f. 4-8  1992-2009
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b. 108 f. 3-13 Series X. Death and Estate 1995-2007

Death and Estate files contain condolence letters written to Raphael Patai's daughters; obituaries; documents related to his estate and the disposition of his library; fliers for the Patai memorial lecture; and an essay on mortality that Patai wrote shortly before his death.