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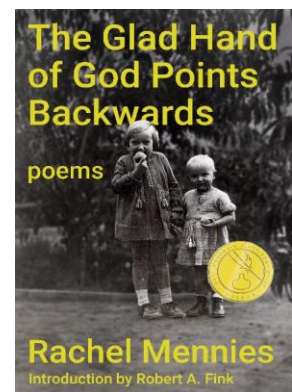
Our First Adult Ed Program of the New Year!

A Celebration of Jewish Book Month **November 10 at 7 p.m. (Eastern) – ZOOM Only**



We begin our Adult Education programming for the year 5783 with a celebration of Jewish Book Month by presenting **Rachel Mennies**, a finalist for a National Jewish Book Award and winner of the Walt McDonald First-Book Prize in Poetry.

She will read from her 2022 second edition book of poems, *The Glad Hand of God Points Backwards*. Her poems reflect an exploration of her Jewish roots and family stories.



Rachel Mennies is the author of *The Naomi Letters* (2021) and *The Glad Hand of God Points Backwards* (2014/22). Her poems and essays have been published at *The Believer*, *American Poetry Review*, *Kenyon Review*, *Poetry Foundation*, and elsewhere. She serves as the book reviews editor for *AGNI* and the series editor, since 2016, of the Walt McDonald First-Book Prize in Poetry at Texas Tech University Press. Originally from the Philadelphia area, Mennies currently lives in Chicago, where she works as a writer, editor, and adjunct professor.

As a special opportunity to underwrite this program, we invite you to order a copy of "The Glad Hand of God Points Backwards", signed by the author, when you register. Partial proceeds from your special purchase of the book at \$20 will be made as a donation to Congregation B'nai Harim. Additional copies without signature can be ordered at the presentation.

Register via spinnerjh@yahoo.com and indicate your desire to get a signed copy of the book. We will send you the ZOOM link for the program on November 10 at 7 pm (Eastern) when you register!