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## Maggie Anton

### “Jewish Superstitions of the Middle Ages”

Do you know why we break the glass at a Jewish wedding? Why do you wash your hands after leaving a cemetery? Why can't two brothers be married on the same day? Would it surprise you that these Jewish folk customs were born out of superstitions that originated during the Middle Ages? Join Maggie Anton, the best selling author of *Rashi's Daughters*, as she enlightens us on everything from backward superstitions, sexual rituals and marital relations to life-cycle events that have affected the daily lives of Jews since the eleventh century.



Maggie Anton was raised in a secular Socialist household in California. She discovered her Judaism as an adult with her husband. That started a lifetime of Jewish education and ritual observance. In 1992 she began studying Talmud in a women's group. In 1997 she became interested in Rashi, also known as Maimonides, and began to discover a 'different' side of Judaism. This process has led to her new book, *Superstition in the Middle Ages*.

Choose this dinner and uncover true explanations of Jewish life and ritual that you didn't learn in religious school.