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The Nature and Consequences of Jewish Migration

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Ever since God spoke his first words to Abraham, *lech lecho* [go forth], Jews have been a migratory people. Migration and dispersal have profoundly influenced Jews' culture, political behavior and economy, and with the migration of over a million Jews from the former Soviet Union since 1989, the migratory experience is being relived. This talk explores the determinants and consequences of Jewish migration, for the "sending" countries and the "receiving" countries, for the migrants themselves, and for the Jewish people as a whole.

Zvi Gitelman is Professor of Political Science and Professor of Judaic Studies at the University of Michigan, where he has won several teaching awards. He is the author or editor of 14 books and over 100 articles. A second edition of his *A Century of Ambivalence: The Jews of Russia and the Soviet Union since 1881* was published in Russian and Japanese. His most recent book is *Ethnicity or Religion? The Evolution of Jewish Identities*.

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Refreshments will be served.

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- Dec. 12 Aaron Ginsburg and a panel
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