

Minhag Finland Research Project

Peer-Reviewed Articles and Chapters

2024

Illman, Ruth and Elina Vuola. 2024 "En ole kokenut rasismia, mutta ... Suomenjuutalaisten naisten kokemuksia antisemitismistä." *Teologinen Aikakauskirja/Teologisk tidskrift* Vol. 129 (1), 19–35.

<https://doi.org/10.62442/ta.143509>

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz, Dóra Pataricza. 2024 "Venäjänkielisten juutalaisten kertomuksia antisemitismistä ja syrjinnästä Neuvostoliitossa ja Suomessa." *Teologinen Aikakauskirja /Teologisk tidskrift* Vol. 129 (1), 36–55. <https://doi.org/10.62442/ta.143533>

Muir, Simo and Riikka Tuori. 2024. "The Customs of Our Ancestors are in Our Hands": Negotiating Tradition and Change in the Jewish Communities in Finland. *European Journal of Jewish Studies*.

2023

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz. 2022. "Masculine Disposition and Cantonist Ancestry: Symbolic Capital in the Jewish Community of Helsinki." Hanna Acke, Silvia Bonacchi, Charlotta Seiler Brylla, Carsten Junker and Ingo H. Warnke (eds.): *Marginality and Centrality in Contradictory Discourses of Religious and National Belonging*. Berlin/Boston: de Gruyter. (Series: Diskursmuster/Discourse Patterns, ed. by Ingo H. Warnke and Beatrix Busse)

Kupari, Helena, Dóra Pataricza. "Eletty uskonto ja syömisen käytännöt." Eds. Virpi Mäkinen, Heikki Pesonen and Risto Uro. *Pyhä, paha ruoka: Uskonto, etiikka ja syömisen käytännöt*, Helsinki: Gaudeamus, 2023, 160–171.

Muir, Simo, Ruth Illman and Riikka Tuori. 2023. "Turn to Traditions – Calls for Change. Negotiations over Liturgy in the Synagogues of Finland." *Numen. International Review for the History of Religions* 70 (5-6), 575-597. <https://doi.org/10.1163/15685276-20231706>

Tuori, Riikka. 2023. Jewish Reception of the Finnish Bible: Negotiating Jewish Identity in Contemporary Finland. *The Nordic Bible: Bible Reception in Contemporary Nordic Societies*, edited by Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, Kasper Bro Larsen and Outi Lehtipuu, Berlin, Boston: De Gruyter, 2023, pp. 195-220. <https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110686005-013>

Tuori, Riikka. 2023. "Mikä on košeria? Sopiva ruoka juutalaisuudessa." Virpi Mäkinen, Heikki Pesonen and Risto Uro (eds.): *Pyhä, paha ruoka: Uskonto, etiikka ja syömisen käytännöt*. Helsinki: Gaudeamus, 60–71.

2022

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz and Riikka Tuori. 2022. "Chabad on Ice: Jewish Encounters with Fundamentalism in Finland." *Approaching Religion* 12 (2). <https://doi.org/10.30664/ar.112800>

Illman, Ruth. 2022. "Discourses of Authenticity in Contemporary Jewish Practices of Niggunim Singing." Marion Bowman & Ülo Valk (eds.): *Contesting Authority: Vernacular Knowledge and Alternative Beliefs*. Sheffield: Equinox Publishing. <https://www.equinoxpub.com/home/view-chapter/?id=29210>

Illman, Ruth, Czimbalmos, Mercédesz, & Dóra Pataricza. 2022. "Bending, Breaking and Adhering to Rules of Contemporary Jewish Practice in Finland." *Suomen Antropologi – Journal of the Finnish Anthropological Society* 46 (3), 2022, 32–51. <https://www.doi.org/10.30676/jfas.115509>

Tuori, Riikka. 2022. "Being Jewish in Contemporary Finland." Josephine Hoegaerts, Laura Hekanaho, Tuire Liimatainen, and Elizabeth Peterson (eds.): *Finnishness, Whiteness and Coloniality*. Helsinki University Press. <https://doi.org/10.33134/HUP-17>

Tuori, Riikka, Ruth Illman & Simo Muir. 2022. "Arjessa eletty uskonto: Suomen juutalaisten muistitietoa keräämässä." *Muistitietotutkimuksen paikka. Teoriat, käytännöt ja muutos*. eds. Riikka Taavetti & Ulla Savolainen, 73–87. Helsinki: Suomen Kirjallisuuden Seura. <https://doi.org/10.21435/skst.1478>

Illman, Ruth, Mercédesz Czimbalmos and Dóra Pataricza. 2022. "Bending, Breaking and Adhering to Rules of Contemporary Jewish Practice in Finland." *Suomen Antropologi: Journal of the Finnish Anthropological Society*, 46 (3), 32–51. <https://doi.org/10.30676/jfas.115509>

Illman, Ruth. 2022. "Finlandssvensk och judisk. En etnografisk analys av dubbla identifikationer och vardagsreligiositet." *Nordisk judaistik / Scandinavian Jewish Studies* 33 (2), 19–37. <https://doi.org/10.30752/nj.125093>

2021

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz. 2021. "Rites of Passage: Conversionary In-Marriages in the Finnish Jewish Communities." *Journal of Religion in Europe* 14 (1-2): 1–27. <https://dx.doi.org/10.1163/18748929-20211502>

Pataricza, Dóra, Simo Muir & Sofie Lene Bak (et al). 2021. "Jewish Archives and Sources in the Nordic Countries: Current State of Affairs and Future Perspectives." *Nordisk judaistik /Scandinavian Jewish Studies* 32 (2): 54–80. <https://doi.org/10.30752/nj.111889>

2020

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz. 2020. "Yidishe Tates Forming Jewish Families." *Nordisk judaistik/Scandinavian Jewish Studies* 30 (2): 21–40. <https://dx.doi.org/10.30752/nj.97558>

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz. 2020. "Everyone Does Jewish in Their Own Way." *Approaching Religion* 10 (2): 53–72. <https://dx.doi.org/10.30664/ar.91381>

Illman, Ruth and Mercédesz Czimbalmos. 2020. "Knowing, Being, and Doing Religion." *Temenos – Nordic Journal of Comparative Religion* 56 (2): 171–99. <https://dx.doi.org/10.33356/temenos.97275>

Pataricza, Dóra. 2020. "The Wide World of Jewish Cuisine: A Journey in Time and Space." *Food And History* 17 (2): 253–262.

2019

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz. 2019. "Laws, Doctrines and Practice: A Study of Intermarriages and the Ways They Challenged the Jewish Community of Helsinki from 1930 to 1970." *Nordisk judaistik/Scandinavian Jewish Studies* 30 (1): 35–54. <https://dx.doi.org/10.30752/nj.77260>

Illman, Ruth. 2019. "Researching Vernacular Judaism: Reflections on Theory and Method." *Nordisk judaistik/Scandinavian Jewish Studies* 30 (1), 91-108. <https://doi.org/10.30752/nj.77287>

Pataricza, Dóra. 2019. "Challahpulla – Where Two Wor(l)ds Meet." *Nordisk judaistik /Scandinavian Jewish Studies* 30 (1): 75–90. <https://doi.org/10.30752/nj.77247>

Muir, Simo & Riikka Tuori. 2019. "The Golden Chain of Pious Rabbis': The Origin and Development of Finnish Jewish Orthodoxy." *Nordisk judaistik /Scandinavian Jewish Studies* 30 (1): 8-34.
<https://doi.org/10.30752/nj.77253>

2018

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2018. "From Yidishe Khasene to Civil Marriage." *Scripta Instituti Donneriani Aboensis* 28: 159–174.<https://dx.doi.org/10.30674/scripta.70071>

Other Articles & Publications

2023

Illman, Ruth. 2023. "Vardagsjudendom i Finland och i Norden. Föredrag hållet vid Finska vetenskaps-Societetens sammanträden den 16 januari 2023." *Sphinx 2022-2023*, ed. Juha Jantunen. Helsinki: FVS. <https://doi.org/10.54572/ssc.863>

2022

Muir, Simo. 2022. "Nun is for Nordic: Jewish Calendar according to Helsinki Horizon." *Samekh is for Sacha: Notes and Tribute to Celebrate a Milestone*, ed. Lily Kahn & Nadia Vidro, 23-24. London: University College London Department for Hebrew and Jewish Studies.

2021

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2021. *Intermarriage, Conversion, and Jewish Identity in Contemporary Finland: A study of vernacular religion in the Finnish Jewish communities*. Doctoral Dissertation. Åbo Akademi University. <https://urn.fi/URN:ISBN:978-952-12-4038-6>

Pataricza, Dóra and Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2021. "Finnish Jewry: Ethnographic and Archival Research on Jews in Finland." *Avotaynu* 36 (2): 39–45

2020

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2020. "The Jews of Helsinki: Their Past and Present." Marcelo Dimenstein and Ewa Tartakowsky (eds.): *Jewish Europe Today: Between Memory and Everyday Life*. Cracow/Budapest/Syracuse: Austeria: 51–69.

2019

Czibalmos, Mercédesz and Dóra Pataricza. 2019. "Boundaries of Jewish Identities in Contemporary Finland." *Nordisk judaistik/Scandinavian Jewish Studies* 30 (1): 1–7.
<https://doi.org/10.30752/nj.80214>

Pataricza, Dóra. 2019. "From Challah to Cardamom Bread: Changes in the Finnish Jewish Food Culture." Santos, A. R. (ed.). University of Coimbra: 6th Portuguese-Brazilian Diata Colloquium on Food History and Cultures: 40-41.

Forthcoming publications

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2024. "Doing Judaism for Family Unity: Conversionary in-Marriages in the Jewish Community of Helsinki in the 1970s. A Case Study." Harriet Hartman (ed): *Comparative Volume on Jewish Family Life*.

Blog posts, media interviews, articles for the general public etc

2023

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2023. "Ethnography and the Jewish Mother." *AJS Perspectives*, (Winter), 100–101. https://www.associationforjewishstudies.org/docs/default-source/ajs-perspectives/ajs_perspectives-mother-issue-website.pdf?Status=Master&sfvrsn=f80c815c_11

2022

Illman, Ruth. 2022. "Rötter och fötter: vardagsjudendom i dagens Finland." *Polin-bloggen* 2.12 2022: <https://polininstitutet.fi/rotter-och-fotter-vardagsjudendom-i-dagens-finland/>

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2022. "Queer Jewish Past and Present in Finland." *Sateenkaarihistoria.fi*. <https://sateenkaarihistoria.fi/queer-jewish-past-and-present-in-finland/>

2021

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2021. "Jokainen toteuttaa juutalaisuutta omalla tavallaan": Väitöskirja suomenjuutalaisten seka-avioliitoista. *Hakehila* (3), 14-17.

Tuori, Riikka and Mercédesz Czibalmos. 2021. "Älä jätä identiteettiäsi oven taakse vaan juhlista sitä: Abby Stein, rabbi ja transaktivisti." *Katsomukset.fi* <https://katsomukset.fi/2021/03/09/ala-jata-identiteettiiasi-oven-taakse-vaan-juhlista-sita-abby-stein-rabbi-ja-transaktivisti/>

2020

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2020. "Finnish Jewish intermarriage since 1917: intertwining religions and cultures." *Nordics.info*. <https://nordics.info/show/artikel/finnish-jewish-intermarriage-since-1917-intertwining-religions-and-cultures>

Pataricza, Dóra & Riikka Tuori. 2020. "Minhag Finland -projektin päivitystä." *HaKehila* 3/2020, 40.
Tuori, Riikka and Mercédesz Czibalmos. 2020. "Unorthodox: nuoren hasidinaisen lähtö Williamsburgista." *Katsomukset.fi*. <https://katsomukset.fi/2020/04/27/unorthodox-nuoren-hasidinaisen-lahto-williamsburgista/>

2019

Illman, Ruth. 2019. "Everyday Judaism in Finland: Why is that Important?" *ETMU blog: Liikkeessä yli rajojen* 25.11 2019: <https://liikkeessaylirajojen.fi/everyday-judaism-in-finland-why-is-that-important/>

Czibalmos, Mercédesz & Pataricza, Dóra. 2019. "Suomen juutalaisyhteisö suurennuslasin alla – etnografista ja arkistotutkimusta suomenjuutalaisista." *Hakehila* 2/2019: 27–30.

Muir, Simo & Riikka Tuori. 2019. "'Minhag Finland' - Suomen juutalaista yhteisöä kartoittava tutkimusprojekti." *Katsomukset-blogi*: 29.5.2019: <https://katsomukset.fi/2019/05/29/minhag-finland-suomen-juutalaista-yhteisoa-kartoittava-tutkimusprojekti/>

Pataricza, Dóra. "Nordic cooperation on Nordic Jewry." <https://polininstitutet.fi/nordic-cooperation-on-nordic-jewry/> (November 2021)

Conference presentations and invited speeches

2023

Pataricza, Dóra. 2023. "Culinary Journey through Finnish Jewish Cuisine: Unveiling Unique Traditions and Challenges." *Stockholm Gastronomy Conference 2023*, Stockholm University, Sweden

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz, Dóra Pataricza. 2023. "Finland is a Paradise: Religious Practice in the Shadow of Antisemitism in the USSR. Narratives of Russian Jews Living in Finland." *20th Annual Conference of the European Association for the Study of Religions*, Vilnius, Lithuania

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz, Dóra Pataricza. 2023. "From the Cantonist System towards Civil Rights and Chrismukkah: The past and present of Finnish Jewry; 'Actually, criminalizing Judaism sounds quite good!' New waves of antisemitism in Finland." *Abraham goes global*, Polin Institute, Turku, Finland

2022

Muir, Simo & Riikka Tuori. 2022. "Music, Mobility and the Transmission of Jewish Tradition: The Nordic Cantors in the Twentieth Century." *The Eighteenth World Congress of Jewish Studies*, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz & Ruth Illman. 2022. "Insider and Outsider: Levels of Involvement in Fieldwork among Religious Minorities." Together with Mercédesz Czimbalmos, *Research Conference in Theology and Religion*, University of Helsinki.

Illman, Ruth, Mercédesz Czimbalmos & Dóra Pataricza 2022. "Remembering, Rejecting, and Reshaping Religious Rules: Vernacular Judaism in Finland." To be presented at *RE:22 – Nordic Ethnology and Folklore Conference*, University of Iceland, Iceland.

Illman, Ruth. 2022. "Minhag Finland: judisk vardag i Finland idag." Invited presentation at *Öresund Limmud Conference*.

Illman, Ruth. 2022. "Judisk vardag i Norden idag - en komparativ blick på aktuell forskning." Invited speaker at the seminar *Jødisk identitet, praksis och minnekultur*, The Norwegian Center for Holocaust and Minority Studies, Oslo, Norway, 2022.

Illman, Ruth & Pekka Lindqvist. 2022. "Jewish Law and Local Customs: Tradition and Change in Finland Today." Invited speaker at the *Polin Days: Seminar on Contextual Theology*, Åbo Akademi University, Åbo, Finland.

Tuori, Riikka. 2022. "Antisemitismen kokemuksia Suomessa: Minhag Finland -projekti." Teologian ja uskonnontutkimuksen päivät, University of Helsinki.

2021

Illman, Ruth. 2021. "Varieties of Vernacular Jewishness. Ethnographic Research in Nordic Contexts." Keynote at Resilient Religion. 18th annual conference of the *European Association for the Study of Religions*, Pisa, Italy.

Illman, Ruth. 2021. "Making, Bending and Breaking Rules of Contemporary Jewish Rituals: An Ethnographic Account." *International Society for Ethnology and Folklore (SIEF)*, 15th congress, University of Helsinki, Finland.

Illman, Ruth. 2021. "Minority Experiences among Finnish Jewry: An Ethnographic Account." *Minority Experiences and European Narratives: Contemporary and Historical Perspectives*, seminar co-arranged by the Minority Research Profile, Åbo Akademi University & the Centre of Excellence in Law, Identity and the European Narratives (EuroStorie), University of Helsinki.

Pataricza, Dóra. 2021. "Flexible Finnish Jewish Foodways." *European Association for the Study of Religions*, Università di Pisa, Italy (online)

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2021. "Where there is a rabbinic will, there's a halakhic way." The Effects of the Freedom of Religion Act (1922) on the Jewish Community of Helsinki. *European Association for the Study of Religions*. Università di Pisa, Italy (online)

2020

Illman, Ruth. 2020. "Interviews and Field Work – Inter-Nordic project workshop." *Nordic Jews in the 20th and 21st centuries – Multiple Identifications in Everyday Life*, Södertörn University, Sweden.

Illman, Ruth. 2020. "Doing Jewish in Finland. Developing an Analytic Model for Researching Vernacular Religion." *Research Conference in Theology and Religion*, University of Helsinki.

Minhag Finland team. 2020. "Is Burbot Kosher? Jewish Everyday Life in Finland." *Limud Helsinki*, Helsinki, Finland

Pataricza, Dóra. 2020. "Choosing to Be Jewish: Transforming Identities through New Foodways." *Research Conference in Theology and Religion*, University of Helsinki, Finland.

Czibalmos, Mercédesz. 2020. "'Everyone does Jewish in their own way': Vernacular practices of intermarried Finnish Jewish women." *Feminism and Hospitality: Religious and Critical Perspectives in dialogue with a Secular Age*. Åbo Akademi University, Turku, Finland.

2019

Czibalmos, Mercédesz, Ruth Illman & Dóra Pataricza. 2019. "Researching Jewish Everyday Life in Finland." Invited presentation at *Children of Abraham: Jewish and Islamic Studies in an Academic Setting*, Uppsala University, Sweden.

Illman, Ruth & Dóra Pataricza. 2019. "Challapullaa ja nigguneita: näkökulmia juutalaiseen elämään tänään." *Uusia ikkunoita juutalaisuuteen – Koulutuspäivä*, Turku, Finland.

Illman, Ruth. 2019. "Being Jewish in Finland: Continuations and Disruptions." Presented at *European Association for the Study of Religion*, University of Tartu, Estonia, 2019.

Illman, Ruth. 2019. "Being Jewish in Finland: Continuations and Disruptions." Presented at *European Association for the Study of Religion*, University of Tartu, Estonia, 2019.

Illman, Ruth. 2019. "Boundaries of Jewish Identity in Contemporary Finland." Invited presentation at *Limud Helsinki Conference*, 2019.

Muir, Simo & Riikka Tuori. 2019. "The Origin of Finnish Jewish Orthodoxy." Presented at *European Association for the Study of Religion*, University of Tartu, Estonia, 2019.

Pataricza, Dóra. 2019. "From Challah to Cardamom Bread: Changes in the Finnish Jewish Food Culture." *6th Portuguese - Brazilian Colloquium on the History and Culture of Food*. Coimbra, Portugal.

Pataricza, Dóra. 2019. "Challahpulla and Kishke: Finnish Jewish Culinary Traditions." *17th Annual Conference of the European Association for the Study of Religions (EASR)*. Tartu, Estonia.

Pataricza, Dóra. 2019. "From Kishke to Makkara – The History of Finnish Jewish Food Culture." *Fifth International Convention on Food History and Food Studies*, Institut Européen d'Histoire et des

Cultures de l'Alimentation (I.E.H.C.A.), Tours, France.

Tuori, Riikka. 2019. "Paideia: The Jewish Community in Finland: From Past till Present." *Bajit (Huset för judisk utbildning & kultur)*, Stockholm, Sweden.

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz. 2019. "Under the Chuppah or Under the Magistrate? – Finnish Jewish Inter-marriages" *European Association for the Study of Religions (EASR)*, University of Tartu, Estonia.

Czimbalmos, Mercédesz. 2019. "...the main thing was that my children were like *culturally Jewish*." Identity and belonging among Finnish Jewry." *Marginality and Centrality in Contradictory Discourses of Religious and National Belonging*. Åbo Akademi University, Turku. Finland.

2018

Minhag Finland Team & Simon Livson. "Jewish Identity in Finland: Challenges and Changes." Invited plenary session, *Society for Biblical Literature International Meeting*, University of Helsinki.