



Mentee Profile



Name	Abbie Barash
Hometown	St. Louis, MO
Industry	Non-Profit
Employer	Mittleman Jewish Community Center
Title	Program Associate
Non-profit Involvement	Mittleman Jewish Community Center, Intergroup Outreach
Something Unique	I teach both yoga and snowboarding!
Bio	Abbie has been working in Arts & Cultural Programming for the MJCC since October 2017. Originally from the Midwest, she has always been involved in the Jewish community. She spent much of her youth and young adulthood active in BBYO and Camp Sabra. Religious and specifically inter-religious cooperation have become an integral part of Abbie's life, both personally and professionally. After receiving an M.Div in Interfaith Chaplaincy, Abbie spent a year working as a hospital chaplain in Tacoma. Besides contributing toward programming at the J, she also enjoys teaching yoga and snowboarding. Abbie is looking forward to the multitude of professional development, networking and growth opportunities through the Pathways program.



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Name	Adam Rosenberg
Hometown	Portland, OR/ New York, NY
Industry	Finance
Employer	CashCo Financial Services
Title	Senior Management Trainee
Non-profit Involvement	Yeshiva University Alumni Association, Chai Lifeline, American Friends of Kerem B'Yavneh, the Beis
Something Unique	After spending 2 years in Israel, and 8 in New York, my wife and I just moved back to my hometown of Portland. My hobbies include genealogy research, discovering great new coffee shops, exploring new cities (and especially their museums), hiking, playing piano, and singing.
Bio	Judaism and leadership have both been in an integral part of Adam's DNA from the time he was young. As a teenager, he singlehandedly established the JSU network of Jewish high school clubs in the Portland area, and was a key figure in reviving NCSY. In New York, Adam was involved in various programs through his alma mater, Yeshiva University, both with mentoring students looking to pursue a real estate career, as well as gaining valuable advice from experienced industry leaders. He was the Chairman of the Dinner Committee for the annual banquet of my gap year program in Israel, and has always been a person that people turn to for guidance on who to talk to, what to do, and how to succeed. He'd love to maximize his ability to be a leader, through mentorship of more-successful leaders.



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Name	Ali Shaw
Hometown	San Diego, CA
Industry	Business, non-profit
Employer	Boeing
Title	EHS Specialist
Non-profit Involvement	Boeing Portland Employee Community Fund, Homeplate Youth Services, Feral Cat Coalition of Oregon
Something Unique	I'm fluent in American Sign Language. I've lived in 5 states. I previously worked for Disney World. I have 2 rescue dogs, a retired racing greyhound and a retriever mix.
Bio	Ali is an Occupational Safety and Health professional. She currently work for Boeing and is working on her Master's of Public Health from Tulane University. She serves as the board President of her work's Employee Community Fund where she oversees the grant application and grant process for local health and human services nonprofits. Ali is also on the board for the young professional development group at her work.



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Name	Anna Kovach
Hometown	Eugene, OR
Industry	Hospitality, Technology
Employer	Vacasa
Title	Sr. Recruiter
Non-profit Involvement	Latino Network
Something Unique	I started college as a vocal jazz major!
Bio	Anna has done many things in her career, but it all boils down to helping others. From being a high school Spanish teacher in the lower 9th ward of New Orleans, to being an HR Associate at Planned Parenthood during the November 2016 election, she have a breadth and depth of HR (and life!) experience that lends itself to leadership, and community building.



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Name
Hometown
Industry
Employer
Title
Something Unique
Bio

Yehuda Ariel Silverman

Caracas, Venezuela

Technology

Cambia

Sr. SW Engineer

I love salsa music, have lived in 3 countries and speak 5 languages. Ariel is a mid-career SW professional. He was born in Latin America, moved to Israel as a lone-soldier and graduated from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem with a degree in Computer Engineer with a specialization in Applied Physics. His family enjoys being part of the Jewish community of Portland since 2015 when he moved from Intel Corp. Jerusalem office as part of a personal/professional adventure. Ariel and his wife have a Portland-born 2-year-old and enjoy sharing meaningful human experiences with the people of their community as they grow and develop their family in the PNW. He is very interested in meeting a mentor that could help him navigate the US professional environment, bounce off ideas, and learn how he can strengthen and apply his skills towards personal success while being a driving force and a young leader that can serve as a facilitator for others like him to take advantage of the values that enrich his life because he's part of a Zionist Jewish community. Ariel would like to actively participate and develop activities that seek to provide opportunities for young Jewish families to share as a community for the sake of his child and the continuation of his identity, philosophy and cultural tradition in his life and the lives of his progeny.



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Name	Ariel Willey
Hometown	Bishop, CA
Industry	Environmental Consulting
Employer	Brightworks Sustainability
Title	Project Coordinator
Non-profit Involvement	Nature Conservancy
Something Unique	I grew up in a town of 10,000 people (4,000 within the city limits)
Bio	Ariel grew up in a small mountain town in California and loved math and science. She studied engineering, worked as an HVAC engineer for two years, and then moved to Portland for a job as an environmental consultant. Ariel wanted to effect positive change on entire buildings rather than just one aspect of them. She loves the earth, building community, and making a difference. We are stronger when we work together. Let's do this!



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Name	Ariel Wills
Hometown	Corvallis, OR
Industry	Non-profit
Employer	Andeo International Homestays
Title	Spanish Language Cultural Exchange Ambassador
Non-profit Involvement	Andeo International Homestays
Something Unique	I have lived, studied and worked in five countries: France, Mexico, Israel, Spain, and the US. I love learning all kinds of dance including modern, salsa, ballet, and folk dance.
Bio	Ariel is interested in cultural identity, heritage and folk art. She is enthusiastic about travel and cross-cultural understanding. She enjoys spending free time hiking in the beautiful Oregon woods. She is an artist and illustrator who works in a variety of media, including paint, fiber, and printmaking. Ariel was born in Hollywood, CA and earned a BA from the UO. She spent a year in Israel learning Dance and Hebrew where she was overjoyed to find the nuance in what Judaism is and Jewish identity means to different people. She is looking forward to writing my own story in the Jewish Portland community.



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Name	Benjamin Hausmann
Hometown	Baton Rouge, LA
Industry	Technology
Employer	Tokyo Electron
Title	Technical Support Specialist
Something Unique	Probably the only Louisianan Jew applying for the program!
Bio	Benjamin was born and raised in Baton Rouge, LA, and graduated with a degree in chemical engineering from the University of Texas at Austin. He moved to Portland to work for Tokyo Electron in Intel's clean room. In his free time, he likes to bike, go on hikes, watch sports, cook, and play video games. Growing up Jewish in Louisiana really taught him to cherish his Judaism.



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Name	Danit Rothstein
Hometown	Portland, OR
Industry	Non-profit
Employer	USCJ/USY
Title	Regional Teen Engagement Director
Non-profit Involvement	Community Warehouse, USY
Something Unique	I lived in Israel growing up for a few years and so it gave me an interesting perspective on Israel and the Jewish diaspora.
Bio	Danit has worked at local and Jewish non-profits and Synagogues around the West Coast and has a passion for continuing her support, dedication, and work in the field. She is currently involved at Oregon Community Warehouse and is the Regional Teen Engagement Director for USY. Danit is passionate about working in the Jewish non-profit world and would benefit from having mentors in our local community.



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Name	David Goldstein
Hometown	Fort Worth, TX
Industry	Business
Employer	Self-Employed
Title	Event Manager
Non-profit Involvement	Moishe House
Something Unique	I am fully fluent in Spanish.
Bio	David was born and raised in a Conservative shul in Fort Worth, Texas. As a teen, he was very involved in USY and BBYO. He earned a BA in Spanish with a minor in Marketing from the University of North Texas in 2014. David moved to Portland 2 and a half years ago for a job in the insurance industry. He recently left this industry and is looking for new opportunities currently. He is very interested in international business, communications, and Jewish education. He hopes this program can connect him with a mentor in the Portland business world and with other young professionals who also want to be involved in the Jewish community.



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Name	Ilana Jaffe
Hometown	Los Angeles, CA
Industry	Education
Employer	Neveh Shalom Foundation School
Title	Preschool Teacher
Non-profit Involvement	The Book Fairies
Something Unique	I self-published my own kid's book.
Bio	The following things are most important to Ilana in a job setting: creative, authentic, educational, and Jewish. As a teacher at a Jewish preschool, she does feel she has found those things, but it doesn't always feel like the perfect fit. It is her hope that participating in Pathways will help her find a way to do the work she feel suits her best and still make a living.



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Name	Jessica Hilbert
Hometown	Wilmington, DE
Industry	Law, Business, Marketing, Communications & PR, Entrepreneur, Sales
Employer	Red Duck Foods
Title	Founder, Marketing & Counsel
Non-profit Involvement	Portland Jewish Academy
Something Unique	I am a total sports nut. I grew up playing whatever sport was in season and that included everything from baseball, to soccer, to ice hockey, to basketball and so much more. I was fortunate enough to be a 2-sport varsity athlete at Stanford University where I played field hockey for four years and softball for a year. I also represented the United States in sport at the 2009 Maccabiah Games which was a completely unforgettable experience. My mind is a sponge for useless trivia, I'm a (very) amateur musician and my favorite color is orange.
Bio	A native of Wilmington, Delaware, Jess Zutz Hilbert lives in Portland, Oregon with her husband, Matt, and five-year-old daughter Kayla. Upon graduation from Stanford University, she went on to work in restaurant management before attending the University of Oregon where she earned concurrent JD/MBA degrees. She is currently one of the co-founders of Red Duck Foods, an artisan organic condiment company, and is also a licensed attorney in Oregon. In her spare time, she enjoys playing whatever sport is in season traveling, experimentation in the kitchen, and regularly enjoying the incredible food and beverage bounty of the Willamette Valley.



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Name	Kyle Levy
Hometown	Phoenix, AZ
Industry	Finance
Employer	Fisher Investments
Title	Investment Counselor
Something Unique	I have lived in Arizona my entire life until now. So far I am enjoying Portland and the surrounding area so far. I am an avid snowboarder so I am looking forward to the upcoming ski season.
Bio	Kyle was born and raised in Tucson, AZ eventually leaving to attend Arizona State University and the W.P. Carey School of Business, where he concentrated in International Business and Economics and graduated with honors in 2013. He started his career at UBS Financial Services right after school in a financial planning & analysis role for the AZ/NM complex and worked with financial advisors, management and financial advisors' clients to help grow business unit revenue by understanding drivers of revenue and profits while focusing on new opportunities. He moved out of this role and joined an investment management team of 2 at UBS, together managing \$250MM in a discretionary investment strategy. Most recently, Kyle was recruited by Fisher Investments as an Investment Counselor here in the Portland, OR area and ended up making the move this July with his Fiancé Ganit. The two enjoy exploring the area, trying different restaurants and being with family, as well as our two cattle dogs.



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Name	Leah Chasin
Hometown	Oak Park, CA
Industry	Marketing & Communications
Employer	Not currently employed
Title	
Non-profit Involvement	Moishe House
Something Unique	I helped build a thriving Jewish life at Oregon State University that wouldn't have been possible without a grant from the Jewish Federation of Greater Portland!
Bio	Leah is a recent Oregon State University graduate who moved to Portland to pursue her career in communications and marketing. She jumped at the opportunity to move into the Portland Moishe House where she has the chance to continue her passion for building community after college. She loves storytelling, staying up to date on pop culture, spending time with friends, and eating her way through Portland. She is excited to participate in PDX Pathways get more connected to the Jewish community and learn skills that can help her advance in her professional career.



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Name	Michelle Coblen
Hometown	Portland, OR
Industry	Medical
Employer	Cedar Sinai Robison Nursing Home
Title	Medical Scribe/Caregiver
Non-profit Involvement	Cedar Sinai Park
Something Unique	I can ride the unicycle! I also once did biodiversity research in the rainforests of Australia and found two brand new species of arachnids.
Bio	After growing up here in Portland, Michelle attended Macalester College in St. Paul, MN and doubled majored in classical languages and biology. Having had enough of the midwestern winters, she recently spent some time living on a kibbutz and traveling around Israel. When she's not traveling, you can find her cheering on the Portland Trail Blazers, working out at the J, working on medical school applications and spending time with her large extended family in Portland. Michelle hopes that the PDX Pathways program will help her dive deeper into the Portland Jewish Community for the first time as an adult.



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Name	Rose Gitelman
Hometown	Port Townsend, WA
Industry	Medical
Employer	OHSU
Title	Registered Nurse
Something Unique	I love to scuba dive and am a dual citizen from the US and New Zealand.
Bio	Rose is a 22-year-old starting out her first career as a registered nurse in an intensive care unit. She got my Bachelor of Science in Nursing at a Catholic university in Portland and never felt she found her place as a Jewish individual in this city. Throughout school, she enjoyed working in a leadership role in their student nurses association and volunteering. Rose hopes that the PDX Pathways program would be an opportunity for her to cultivate her leadership skills while allowing her to become more involved in the Portland Jewish community.



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Name	Samantha Cohen
Hometown	Elmira, OR
Industry	Non-profit, social services
Employer	Raphael House
Title	Prevention Education Specialist
Non-profit Involvement	Moishe House, Self-Determination Resources Inc, Raphael House
Something Unique	Outside of my professional life, I compete in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and am a proud pet parent to miss Kitty Pryde, my three-year-old Siamese cat.
Bio	Sammy has a background in disability and human services and is proud to be an advocate. As a recent graduate and somewhat recent Portlander, she values connecting with her community on both a professional and personal level. She wants to participate in this program because she feels that she can grow both as a professional and also as an individual.



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Name	Steven Lewis
Hometown	Los Angeles, CA
Industry	Technology, engineering
Employer	Nike
Title	Project Engineer
Something Unique	I've been going to the weekly yoga classes in my building for 2 years, and when the teacher recently moved out, I stepped up to lead the community classes. I wanted to learn more about it and how to teach correctly, so I'm now in the middle of a 200 hr yoga teacher training course!
Bio	Steven grew up in LA and has been in Portland since 2016. He started doing robotics competitions in high school which led to studying Mechanical Engineering at USC. He has since worked as a manufacturing engineer, started a consulting business, and currently works as a project engineer at Nike. Steven has mentored a middle school robotics team for the last couple years which has been fun and rewarding. Some of his favorite activities are exploring outdoors, painting, and doing yoga. He's excited to connect with like-minded community members to support each others' personal and professional growth!