

Join Us At The JCC

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For the First Night of Chanukah With HARMONYPROJECT

December 16, 2014 : 5:00 pm : JCC East

In Cooperation with

JCC, Wexner Service Corps & South High School

In an Exploration of Harmony and Understanding Among Teens

Social Action, Social Justice, Diversity



PROGRAM: On the first night of Chanukah, Harmony Project will host a new program called "Bending the Light" at the Jewish Community Center (JCC). "Bending The Light" will introduce Jewish teenagers to South High School teenagers at the JCC, and teens will get to know each other and explore culture through shared experience. Rabbi Sharon Mars, Harmony Project Choir Member, and students will light the first Chanukah candle together. Jewish students will share stories of their family Chanukah traditions with the South High students and guided discussions will allow the group to learn more about the holiday and its significance. The program includes Israeli dancing and a traditional Chanukah meal.

COMMUNITY SERVICE (diversity and inclusion): Students will work together and create an original piece of art symbolizing the lighting of the first candle, which will then be displayed in the JCC during Chanukah. The project will be a collaborative design by a Jewish artist and African-American artist.

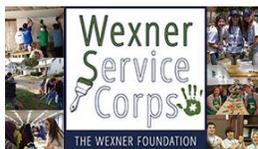
PUT YOURSELF IN THIS PICTURE: This is an incredible opportunity for B'nai Tzedek not only to participate in a community-wide celebration of Chanukah, but also to celebrate a wonderful holiday with each other and to see new friends through a new lens.



South High School's student body is a majority minority, low income, large public high school in Columbus. Students have limited club and extracurricular options, but do have **SOUTH HIGH HARMONY**; a permanent partnership with Harmony Project through City Year Columbus. **SOUTH HIGH HARMONY** offers weekly after-school arts and community service fostering creativity and responsibility among 7th-12th graders. **SOUTH HIGH HARMONY** is an after-school arts and service program providing students the opportunity to develop as performers while planning and participating in community service projects. With the help of Harmony Project, the students travel to learn more about the world beyond their own geographic location.



Harmony Project connects communities across social divides through art, education, and volunteerism. They provide opportunities for individuals of different cultures, religions, ages, affiliations, and orientations to work together. The result: a stronger, more inclusive community.



The Wexner Service Corps (WSC) is a Jewish service-learning initiative for Columbus Jewish teenagers. Participants engage in community service trips and education. WSC provided hands-on relief work while learning Jewish texts related to the value of service and reflecting on the work, its impact and the harsh reality of disasters in response to Hurricane Sandy (2013) and Gulf Revitalization efforts in New Orleans (2014). WSC offers year round service work and education. **RSVP: dapplefeld@tcjf.org**