

## Lunch Seminar

12 College Avenue, Bildner Center, Room 107

**Thursday, November 21, 2019**

**12:00 PM – 1:00 PM**

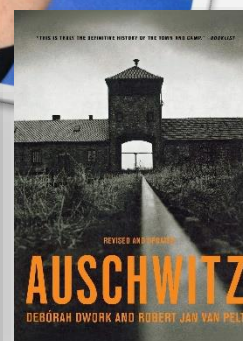
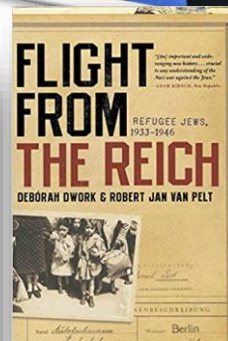
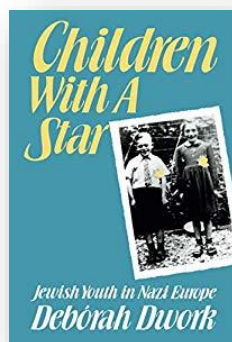
## **A New Turn in Holocaust Scholarship: The Role of the Unpredictable and the Irrational**

**Debórah Dwork**

Inaugural Rose Professor of Holocaust History, Clark University  
Bildner Visiting Scholar, Rutgers University

Holocaust research has been marked by series of sharp turns. Born into a vacuum of denial, the first wave of Holocaust scholarship documented destruction, starting with Hitler and shifting to his subordinates. Major turns soon followed: to the experiences of the Jews; the role of neighbors and civil society; the history of Jewish children; women; rescuers; families; the spatial turn. Drawing on her current research, Bildner Visiting Scholar Debórah Dwork suggests a new turn in Holocaust scholarship and explores the possibilities offered by plumbing the role of the unpredictable and the irrational.

**Deborah Dwork**, internationally renowned scholar, is currently serving as the Bildner Visiting Scholar for the fall 2019 semester. Founding director of the Strassler Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies and the Inaugural Rose Professor of Holocaust History at Clark University, Dwork conducted pathbreaking work in her early recordings of Holocaust survivors, weaving their narratives into the history she writes.



**Lunch will be provided.**

RSVP necessary by  
November 18

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