

*Congregation Shearith Israel*

*The Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue*

*Presents a Poetry Reading & Reception*

**Mary Stewart Hammond, Author of *Out of Canaan*,  
reads with poets from her Master Class:**

Joe Bacal, Paula Brancato, Han-hua Chang,  
Ellen Friedman, Laura Goldin, Elizabeth Harrington,  
Karen Karpowich, Janet R. Kirchheimer, Margot Mindich,  
Andy Senchak, and Raquel Solomon

**TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2009**

6:45 pm – Synagogue Tour, 7:00 pm – Reading

\$5 Admission

Reception Will Follow the Reading

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Congregation Shearith Israel, also known as The Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, is the oldest Jewish congregation in North America, dating to 1654. The current synagogue was built in 1897 and is a landmark building.

Congregation Shearith Israel is located at 2 West 70<sup>th</sup> Street,  
New York, NY (70<sup>th</sup> Street and Central Park West)

