



Pioneer Valley  
Jewish Film Festival  
at Hampshire College

# Trembling Before G-d

Thursday April 2  
7:00 PM  
Hampshire College  
Franklin Patterson Hall  
West Lecture Hall

Trembling Before G-d shatters assumptions about faith, sexuality, and religious fundamentalism. Built around intimately-told personal stories of Hasidic and Orthodox Jews who are gay or lesbian, the film portrays a group of people who face a profound dilemma – how to reconcile their passionate love of Judaism and the Divine with the drastic Biblical prohibitions that forbid homosexuality.

In the film we meet a range of complex individuals including: Rabbi Steven Greenberg, the first openly gay Orthodox rabbi; closeted, Hasidic gays and lesbians in 'straight' marriages; Orthodox lesbian high-school sweethearts; and individuals abandoned by their religious families. Trembling is more than a film; it's become a movement.

**Discussion after the film with Gabriel Blau, founder of The God & Sexuality Conference and author of *Two Truths: Living as a Religious Gay Jew*.**

Co-sponsors: : Hampshire College Jewish Student Union, Alize (Queer Jewish Student Group), Spiritual Life Office, Jewish Studies Program, and Queer Student Services Office

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