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## EDUCATION

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| 2024 | *Yale University* | PhD in Assyriology,<br>Dissertation: *A Poem of Rare Design: Elucidating the Erra Epic*<br>Advisor: Eckart Frahm |
| 2023 | *Yale University* | MPhil in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations |
| 2018 | *Tel Aviv University* | BA in Archaeology and Ancient Near Eastern Cultures (Magna Cum Laude) and General History |

## PUBLICATIONS

### BOOKS

1. *Erra: An Ancient Myth in a New Translation*, Yale University Press, New Haven and London (under contract).

### ARTICLES

1. "Nergal's Travels and Landsberger's Fence," *Iraq* (submitted).
2. "Reconsidering Six Lines in the *Hymn to Ninurta as Savior*," *Zeitschrift für Assyriologie und Vorderasiatische Archäologie* (submitted).
3. "Cultural Cannibalism and the Assyrian-Babylonian Conflict," in *Proceedings of the Workshops "Intertextuality in Cuneiform Literature," Rencontres Assyriologiques Internationales Leiden 2023 and Helsinki 2024*, eds. S. Wisnom, N. Artimov, and J. Bach. Münster: Zaphon (submitted).
4. "How Išum Got His Name," *Journal of Cuneiform Studies* (forthcoming).
5. "Erra's Human Form," *Kaskal Nuova serie* 2 (2025), 35–48.
6. "Counting Lines in *Erra*," *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 145/2 (2025), 369–79.
7. "More than a Single Truth: Polyvalence in Gilgamesh's Dreams of the Meteorite and the Axe," *Kaskal* 20 (2023), 71–82.
8. "Erudite Savagery: Intertextuality in Ashurbanipal's Account of the Siege of Babylon," *Journal of Near Eastern Studies* 82/1 (2023), 43–58.

### NOTES

1. "Goring the Land in *Erra and Naram-Sîn*," *Mémoires de NABU* (submitted).
2. "On the Logic of Name Substitution in the Assyrian Version of *Enuma Elish*," *Mémoires de NABU* 2025/3, 135–36.
3. "Winnowing Down the Syntactical Possibilities of a Key Assertion in the *Marduk Ordeal*," *Mémoires de NABU* 2025/3, 136–37.
4. "The Shared Use of the Address 'You, Man!' in *Erra* and *Ezekiel*," *Mémoires de NABU* 2025/1, 49–50.

BOOK REVIEWS

*Assyriological*

1. Review of *Enuma Elish: The Babylonian Epic of Creation* (eds. J. Haubold, S. Helle, E. Jiménez, and S. Wisnom), *Journal of Near Eastern Studies* 84/2 (2025), 385–89.
2. Review of *The Shape of Stories: Narrative Structures in Cuneiform Literature* (eds. S. Helle and G. Konstantopoulos), *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 145/3 (2025), 648–51.

*Literary Fiction*

1. "Not to Drown in the Toxic Puddle of The Self: On *Tsulul* by Guli Dolve-Hashiloni" [Hebrew], *Hamusach—A Literature Supplement* (December 2025).

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**TEACHING**

YALE UNIVERSITY, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

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| Spring 2024 | TF in *Modern Hebrew* (4th and 5th-semester levels) |
| | Guest Lecturer in *Advanced Akkadian: Akkadian Literary Texts* |
| Fall 2023 | TF in *Modern Hebrew* (3rd and 5th-semester levels) |
| Spring 2022 | TF in *Modern Hebrew* (2nd-semester level) |
| Fall 2021 | TF in *Modern Hebrew* (1st-semester level) |
| Spring 2021 | Instructor of Record in *Elementary Akkadian* (2nd-semester level) |
| Fall 2020 | Instructor of Record in *Elementary Akkadian* (1st-semester level) |

NEW LEHRHAUS, BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

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| Fall 2025 | *Reading the Bible: Tricksters and the Art of Deception* |
| | (Guest Lecturer, Session 6) |
| Spring 2025 | *In the Shadow of Empires: Assyria-Babylonia, Egypt and Biblical Israel* |
| | (Instructor Session 1, Co-instructor Session 3) |

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**LECTURES**

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- "A Baby on Fire: How Išum Got His Name," *70th Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale* (July 7–11, 2025).
- "The God of Violence in Mortal Guise: On *Erra*'s Transformation in *Erra and Išum* IV 3," 235th *Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society* (April 9–12, 2025).
- "Who is King of the World? On the Identity of *šar gimir dadmē* in Erra I 1," *234th Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society* (March 22–25, 2024).
- "Cultural Cannibalism: Intertextuality as a Weapon of War," *68th Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale* (July 17–20, 2023).

- "More Than a Single Truth: Gilgamesh's Dreams of Meteorite and the Axe," *233rd Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society* (March 10–13, 2023).
- "Erudite Savagery: An Instance of Intertextuality in Ashurbanipal's Inscriptions," *232nd Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society* (March 18–21, 2022).
- "A Wrathful and Deluded God: The Erra Epic and the Mind," *231st Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society* (March 11–18, 2021).
- "Erudite Savagery: An Instance of Intertextuality in Ashurbanipal's Inscriptions," *2nd Graduate Symposium in Ancient Near Eastern Studies* (March 6–7, 2020).

VISITING LECTURES

- "The All Too Human Adventures of Erra and Išum," *Yale Assyriological Seminar* (March 31st, 2025).

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**ORGANIZATION**

COLLOQUIA

- NELC Roundtable, Yale University, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations Departmental Graduate Colloquium, Fall 2020–Spring 2022, Fall 2023–Spring 2024; 18 meetings total).

SESSION CHAIRING

- "Cultural Memory in the Ancient Near East," *70th Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale* (July 7 11, 2025)
- "Ancient Near East II: Literary Texts," 235th *Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society* (April 9–12, 2025)

EXHIBIT CURATION

- "The Day of Shabbat: An Exhibition," *Yale University Old Campus,* September 5th, 2025 (Image selection, text composition)

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**OUTREACH**

TRADITIONAL MEDIA

- "Go out to Battle, O Valiant Erra" [Hebrew], translation of *Erra* I 6–63, *Ho!* (הו!) 22 (2022), 13–15.
- *Once upon a Time in the East* [Hebrew], public-facing columns about the ancient Near East appearing on the website of *Haaretz. Subjects*:
  - The Babylonian Flood story and AI (March 2023)
  - Abortion and infanticide in ancient Mesopotamia (July 2022)
  - The *Dialogue of Pessimism* (June 2022)
  - *Ludlul bēl nēmeqi* (May 2022)
  - *Erra* and the invasion of Ukraine (March 2022)
  - Inanna/Ištar and gender (February 2022)
  - Plagues in the ancient Near East (December 2021)

SOCIAL MEDIA

- The Erra Epic, the Biblical Flood, and the Sons of God ft. Eli Tadmor, June 2nd, 2023, YouTube
- Ezekiel Thinking Like a Babylonian ft. Eli Tadmor, May 27th, 2023, YouTube
- Gender in Ancient Mesopotamia, with Eli Tadmor!, March 12th, 2022, YouTube
- Ezekiel and Babylon! Eli Tadmor investigates, November 28th, 2021, YouTube
- Ancient Plagues with Eli Tadmor, September 25th, 2021, YouTube