

Zachary Schaffer



I am on a mission to empower people to communicate more effectively across divides

While serving the Jewish Federations of North America, I led national Jewish outreach efforts to progressive, Christian, and African-American communities. As Manager of Interfaith Partners for Peace, I had the privilege of leading delegations of national clergy leaders to study conflict and reconciliation efforts in the Middle East.

As Executive Director of the Council of Young Jewish Presidents, I work to forge courageous, inclusive, and multigenerational leadership in the Jewish non-profit sector. I also mediate tough conversations in the Jewish community as a Resetting the Table facilitator and I serve as the President of Friends of Roots, a grassroots movement of Israelis & Palestinians in the West Bank. I have spoken to hundreds of audiences in dozens of states around the country.

Speaking Topics

Civil Discourse & Polarization

- *Transcending Tribalism: How to Thrive in Emotionally Charged Conversations*
- *Overcoming Polarization & Conflict: Bringing Communities Together*

Advocacy

- *The Art of Changing Hearts & Minds*
- *Starting With Your Why: Storytelling to Transform your Advocacy*

Israel & Zionism

- *Israel-Diaspora Relations in the 21st Century*
- *Zionism: A New Doctrine of Pluralism for the Jewish Community*
- *Reclaiming Zionism as a Progressive Cause*
- *Israeli-Palestinian Reconciliation: How Peace is Possible*
- *How To Talk About Israel with Progressives*

Interfaith

- *Jewish-Christian Relations: Challenges & Opportunities*

Testimonial

"Zachary's content and delivery was spectacular. He was engaging and charismatic yet very sophisticated, articulate, and professional. I was extremely impressed with how well he listened and responded to questions and comments. He has a real talent for making people feel heard and expressing his own views in a non-confrontational manner. We need more people in the world with that skill."

- Conservative Rabbi

Past Presentations



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