

Youth Committee 

2014 MYC Election On Sunday, November 16 From 9 AM To 6 PM At Shaare Shalom



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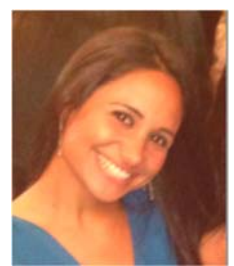
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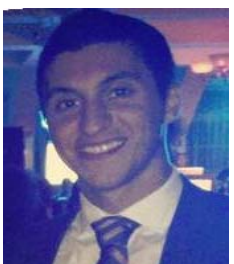
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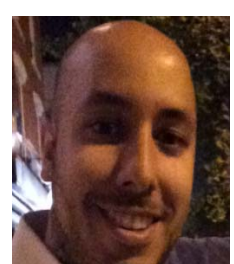
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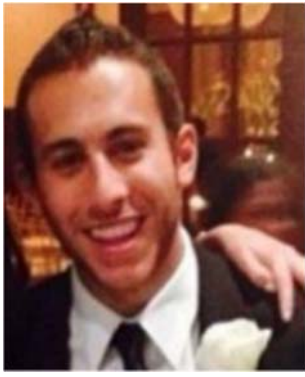
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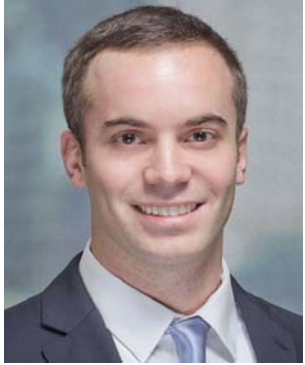
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All my life, I have bounced around from different schools. I went from being in yeshiva, to moving to public school for high school, then back to yeshiva in Israel for a year. I had met a lot of people, who were of at different levels of religion, and gained an understanding about how to relate to everyone. While in High School, I had the honor of running the Gym Minyan for about one and a half years, alongside two fellow community members. I always enjoyed getting involved with the community and made sure that I would always continue to help. As soon as I returned from Israel, I made sure that I would help out the community any way I could. I had a great opportunity involving Learn It Up and was honored with a great position to help out with

the current people involved. This program had great success in the past and I hope I can make a difference in keeping it strong. I truly believe that the Youth programs are of great importance to our community and have a strong lasting effect on our community.



Benjamin Azizi

Benjamin Azizi is the proud son of Maurice and Hedika and brother of Byron and Daniel. He graduated Cum Laude from Baruch College's Zicklin School of Business in 2013 with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance and Investments. He also spent a semester abroad as part of the Overseas Students Program at Tel Aviv University, concentrating in Jewish Studies. Since graduating college, Benjamin has been working as an analyst at JPMorgan Chase within the Corporate and Investment Bank division.

Benjamin is an active member of the Mashadi Community, having organized and coached sports activities, and is very eager and excited to further serve as a member of the MYC should he be elected. Benjamin's leadership skills include leading the Great Neck North Varsity Football team to the regional playoffs as the team Captain, and organizing a leadership summer program at Columbia University as a Teacher's Assistant. His experiences interacting with people of different backgrounds, both abroad and in the professional world, have further allowed him to realize what a blessing it is to be part of such an amazing community. Benjamin understands that the decision-making of the youth shape the future of the community, and he is committed to further uniting and strengthening the Mashadi community moving forward.

As an elected member of the MYC, Benjamin would seek to launch an initiative around the professional development of the youth to prepare them for the workforce, build athletic competitions, organize Israel related events, and plan unique weekend retreats to bring youth/young adults, as well as the broader community, closer together.



Carolina Aziz

Former MYC Secretary. Liaison to Israel Discovery Trip, Mashadi Teen Committee, Israel and Zionism Committee, Long Term Planning and Census Committee and Marriage Committee.



Debbie Aziz

My name is Debbie Aziz, daughter of Morris and Rika Aziz. I'm 19 years old and currently a sophomore at Stern College. I recently returned from a year abroad studying in Israel, and being away has left me with an appreciation for how unbelievably special this community is. Following in the footsteps of my parents and siblings, I have a strong desire to give back to the community in any way that I can. I've seen projects that the MYC board has run and I know that this is something I want to be a part of and something I can contribute to. I will work hard and will give 100% to the community that I love so much.



Michelle Bassaly

Hi, my name is Michelle Bassaly! For the past two years, I have had the pleasure of serving on the board for the Mashadi Youth Committee. As a team, we have created and executed numerous events and programs for our youth that have been great successes. I would love the opportunity to continue working with such incredible team members and providing the youth with more programs and events they will learn from and enjoy. Whether they may be recreational or educational, I truly believe our efforts will not only strengthen and unify the Mashadi youth today, but will pave the way for future generations to come.



Talia Bassali

Hi! My name is Talia Bassali, and I have been a proud member of the Mashadi community for the past 19 years of my life. I graduated from North Shore Hebrew Academy, and I am currently studying at Stern College for my second year, where both Jewish and general education are a part of my daily life. If you give me the opportunity, I would love to be a part of continuing with the amazing Jewish education programs our previous Youth Committee put in place, as well as adding to them. I believe I have the passion and skills to help our community continue to thrive, and certainly a lot to learn from the many inspiring people who came before me.



Shirley Carmili

I'm not going to start off my bio with the classic "my name is..." because I want to start with the real reason I'm here. Ever since I was a little girl, I've always gone to kanissa. I've participated in community events, gone to classes, and took advantage of many things they had to offer. As I got older, I realized that every single one of these events and programs were only taking place because people were putting their time and effort into setting them up. The community is functioning and being held together because of those who take charge. I appreciate it so much, because without them, I don't even know where we would be right now. I've always loved to help and volunteer in anything that comes my way. It makes me feel happy, and like I am doing something to help others and make a difference. Therefore, now

that I'm finally old enough, I would love to be part of the MYC. It's my chance to give back to people, like they have been giving to me my entire life. I want to dedicate a lot of time, and a lot of effort, to give everyone what they truly deserve. I am ready to make a total commitment of trying my hardest to improve everything for the youth. Now I can tell you a little bit about myself. My name is Shirley Carmili. I am the daughter of Benny and Tania Carmili. I graduated from North Shore Hebrew Academy High School. Afterwards, I took a semester to go and study in Israel, before starting college at

YU Stern. I really hope you guys vote for me, so I can have the opportunity to be part of making the community better for us all.



Ariella Ebrani

I'm Ariella Ebrani, daughter of Ramin and Kathy Ebrani. At the moment, I am a freshman in Baruch College. For my whole life I have wanted to help our community grow and how now been given the chance to do so. My plan was always to follow in my fathers footsteps and join the MYC Board. I have known that I wanted to do this since I was very young so I have years worth of ideas in my head, waiting to come out. Aside from my passion for this, I feel that I would do a good job. After seeing the different things that MYC has put together in the past, I know that I want to be a part of it.



Gab Etessami

About Me:

- I studied at Binghamton University
- I double majored in Financial Economics and Philosophy
- Straight out of school I took a position at Morgan Stanley
- For just over a year now I have worked at LeVian
- I have taught one semester at Learn It Up
- I would love to get more involved, and do my best to help the community



Melyna Hadjibay

Hi, I'm Melyna Hadjibay. From a young age, I've always wanted to make a difference in the world. Whether it was befriending the new kids in school, or mentoring incoming freshmen and sophomores as a peer leader in high school, I've always wanted to lend others a helping hand. Being involved in the MYC would give me the opportunity to help more people. I truly believe our community is one of a kind: strong, united, spirited, generous; the list could go on. Each of us have strong and smart ideas, that when brought together, have endless possibilities. Everybody has a voice, and everybody wants to be heard. My hope is to listen to the voices of my community members, and to make sure their wishes and desires are heard. We all want to see this community succeed. We all want each generation to be better than the last. I hope you all can see me as a positive force for the future.



Kimberly Hajioff

I am currently a student finishing up my undergraduate degree in Biology, in hopes of going to medical school for Pediatric Oncology. Beyond my medical pursuits, I've always gravitated towards community outreach and humanitarian efforts. I currently serve as the President of UNICEF at Queens College, where we educate, advocate, and fundraise for children in Third World countries to be able to live better and brighter lives. I am also working as a teaching fellow at the Queens Zoo, educating children who visit about the animals exhibited and their biology. Alongside that, I'm a Personal Trainer, where I'm allowed to demonstrate my passion for fitness and sustainable living, and encourage my clients to do the same. With my leadership skills and autonomy, it is my hope that I may join the Mashadi Youth Committee and share my ideas and talents. I'm looking forward to contributing to our community in any way that I can!



Daniel Hakimian

The Mashadi community has molded me as a person since my adolescence. It would be my most sincere pleasure to pay it back. When I was 17, I traveled with the Mashadi youth trip to Israel. That trip, in addition to bringing upon close friendships, has also given me a passionate love for the land. It was this trip that made me decide on spending my first year of college in Bar-Ilan University, which helped me further connect to my Jewish roots.

My greatest hobby has always been athletics. I have played on my high school football team. I have also been on our very own Mashadi Magic basketball team. I have played in and helped organize many sports leagues and events that are run in our own gym. Through these experiences I have associated with a diverse set of members and have realized what a great community we are.

I graduated from Baruch College with a degree in Real Estate Development, and am currently working in the field. The job I am doing has many challenges that I have had to overcome through clear minded thinking and understanding all angles of the situation. This has also been a motivation to help me face the challenges of our own community. It is with that mentality that I would like to run for MYC board.

Today, we are blessed with everything our ancestors worked and sacrificed so hard for. It is really our responsibility to maintain those values and traditions we have all learned from a young age. Coming up with creative “out of the box” methods of sustaining our youth’s heritage and healthy growth is what I stand for and is what I will bring to the table as an MYC member.



Shelby Hakimian (Norooz)

As a student I attended Great Neck North High School and graduated from Baruch College with a BBA in Real Estate Development and a Minor in Political Science.

My activities as a community member include participation in the Israel Zionism Committee, SHORE4life, and as a Gabbai. I joined the Israel Zionism Committee in 2011 and helped produce a newsletter that was used to inform the community about the importance of defending Israel on college campuses.

In 2012, with the participation of SHORE4life, I traveled to Washington DC to represent the needs of our community members to our nations congress. It is my honor to say that in the summer of 2012 our goals were met and this legislation that we supported was approved by

congress and enacted into law.

Recently I have been active as a Gabbai in the singles minyan at Ohr Esther. As a Gabbai I participate in daily discussions about our needs and how we can improve our minyan. Through the help of our dedicated Rabbi's and Hazzan's I am confident to say that we are running a successful minyan.



Gabriel Kalaty

I am Gabriel Kalaty, a 20 year old junior at Baruch College. I am currently a Finance major and hope to attain my MBA in Finance in the near future. Over the past few years I have had several jobs and internships as well as volunteer experience with different communities, especially with our illustrious Mashadi Community. There are countless reasons why I cherish this community and why I am grateful to be a part of it. I wish to actively serve and contribute to the advancement and success of our community and will help us build our bright future.



Jamie Karmily

Hi, my name is Jamie Karmely and I would love to be apart of the MYC for this upcoming term. After exposing myself to various committee and events in the community, I believe that I have gained the experience necessary to give to the MYC. I would like to incorporate and share many of my idean, in order to create new events and opportunities for the youth of our community. There is so much we are able to work with and improve in order to make our future even better than the past. I know that my personality, work ethic and dedication would contribute tremendously to the committee and the community as a whole. If elected, I will make sure to add more exciting events and apportunities with the key objective of strengthening our unity and core values.



Lior Kashimallak

Born on January 8th, 1992 grew up in Great Neck NY. Starting from a young age his family and friends taught him to lead by example and treat others with kindness. In order to practice those skills, Lior participated in school programs such as peer leadership, athletic leadership, and other extracurricular activities.

After achieving his studies in Queens College, Lior volunteered to join the Israel Defense Forces. As a result he demonstrated professionalism, hard work, and comradeship with others. Encouraged, he finally completed his military service recognizing the ability and responsibility to be a deserving leader in his

local Mashadi Jewish Community of Great Neck. At the time of return Lior set his goals to advance his studies, receiving his diploma from the Gemological Institute of America.

Today Lior has attained a wide understanding of public service. Programs such as Learn It Up, Ivread, and The Shabbat Project heartens everyone to get involved. Nevertheless, education is open to all level of observance in order to maintain a sense of comfort. Additionally, the board must be creative enough when assisting its community in connection to modern day.

All in all, the leadership and good will that Lior Kashimallak conveyed in his past will demonstrate as an essential part of the MYC board.



Nathan Kashizadeh

Hi, my name is Nathan Kashizadeh. I attended North Shore Hebrew Academy High School and then spent a year abroad in Israel. During my time in Israel, I studied in Yeshiva Torah Shraga, volunteered in Shaare Tzedek Hospital and volunteered in Sanhedria Orphanage. For the two years prior to my year in Israel, I ran the Gym Minyan. I am currently studying in Yeshiva University. I started getting involved with our community in 8th grade when I was put onto the Gym Minyan board, and eventually I had the honor of running it myself. My year in Israel taught me one major thing: there's no community as unified as ours in the world and I'm privileged to be part of it.

My goals are:

- To use my previous experience to help the community in any way that I can.
- To run more events so Mashadi young adults can get to know each other better.
- To get more people involved in participating in both Jewish and Secular events.
- To have more people contributing in the growth of our community.



Daniel Kamali

My name is Daniel Kamali and I am running for MYC Board. I am hoping to get involved with the MYC so that we could continue guiding the Mashadi Youth in the right direction. One way we can do that is to promote more involvement with events targeted towards zionism. I think I could achieve this with my involvement with AIPAC and many other organizations that have a mission that is very pro-Israel. If I get into MYC we can promote attendance to more of these zionistic events. Along with that another way we can achieve this goal is to listen to youth's opinion at all times. So many times people have been scared to speak because they are worried about the response from the opposing view. If you vote for me I promise that I will listen to all opinions involved and make sure the voice of the youth is heard when decisions are made in the MYC.



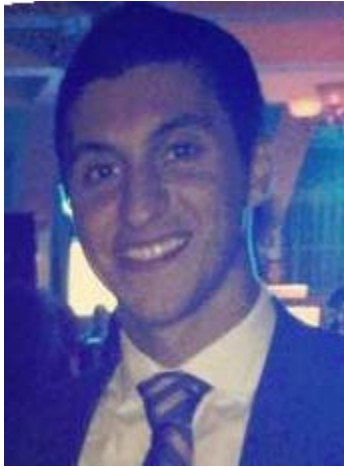
Sandy Moheban

I am an NYU alumna currently working as the Office Manager at Frederic Sage. While at NYU I studied economics along with business and served as Secretary of the Iranian Jewish Culture Club. As a board member of this club, I assisted in organizing, planning, and promoting several events throughout the year. Events included Shabbat dinners, Persian-culture events, our annual fashion show, and happy hours in collaboration with outside Jewish organizations. I feel that bringing people together is in my nature and am looking to contribute to the community by implementing new events such as fitness classes, job fairs, Shabbaton getaways, singles events, along with more college age and up events in general. I believe that my enthusiasm and problem-solving skills would make me an excellent addition to the MYC board.



Jacob Namdar

My name is Jacob Namdar, I graduated from Baruch College and now working in the field of Real Estate. I would like to help contribute to the community that has given us so much in the past. Some of my goals would include: organizing more interactive events for the youth, setting up job fairs & internships for those who have recently graduated college/looking to start working, promoting Shabbatons and programs that would attract all, including those who do not attend synagogue on a regular basis, arranging sports events/concerts for guys and girls to attend together, and listening to suggestions from anyone. Overall, my goal is to do the best I can to help this wonderful community stay strong and united, and maintain its religious/traditional background.



Josh Namdar

I am Josh Namdar, a 21-year-old student at Baruch College. I'm currently a senior and I'm majoring in Real Estate Development. Although I currently work as a part-time worker in jewelry, my aspirations are fixed in the Real Estate business. I have been actively involved within our community in the past, and I plan to continue doing so my whole life. I'm currently the speaker for the Single's Minyan at Ohr Esther and run several community projects. Whether it's running a basketball league in our gym or raising money to fund an Ambulance in Israel, my work and support is always there to uplift others in our community. With my knowledge and experience, I look to keep my lending hand out to everyone and improve our community in any way imaginable.



Melanie Namdar

My name is Melanie Namdar. I am 20 years old, and currently a Junior at Queens College. Being a member of the Mashadi Community is something that constantly affects my daily decisions and values. I admire the unity of the community, and want to make a difference. I feel I would be a useful asset in actively improving the community. Given my leadership experiences, not only in the community but outside as well, I have learned significant skills that have shaped me as a person. I love working with and for the Mashadi community, and I have enjoyed doing so for years. My involvement in the community includes teaching dance classes in Kanisa, choreographing the annual Jamati dances, organizing each Dance Show, and working in Mashadi camps. I am also proud to be part of the new Performing Arts Committee. I would love the opportunity to continue contributing my creativity and excitement by being part of the MYC.



Igal Nassim

My name is Igal Nassim. I'm 26 years old and I graduated from Queens College in 2010. I have served as a member of the MYC for the past 5 years. During that time I served on various committees including Parties and Recreation, Mashadi Teen Club, Fundraising, Israel and Zionism, Sports and more. It would be my pleasure to continue serving on the MYC and giving back to our community.



Jon Zar

I have lived in this community that I love my entire life and now ready to contribute to its continued growth. I am well aware of the value of our community, and appreciate all it has offered me for the last 25 years. Although it may have pros and cons, I believe the success of our community lies in our working together to develop a mutual respect and understanding for everyone. I have come to the realization that it is my time to give back and make a difference.

Most of our parents are immigrants who had to work through the blood, sweat, and tears to be where they are today. They have shown us how to work hard and believe in ourselves while building the foundation that we are fortunate enough to rest on today.

My goal to bring the ideals that I have learned from my own family to our community by enhancing and developing new programs that will join us together and make us stronger as a community of friends, relatives, and people who care about one another.



Sebastian Zar

" Sebastian Zar was born in 1989 in London, England. He graduated from Seton Hall University with a degree in Political Science and French. He later received his Juris Doctor from the Syracuse University College of Law. He has passed the Bar in New York and is practicing law within the arts and the music industry. "

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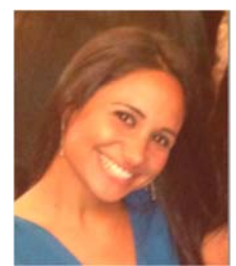
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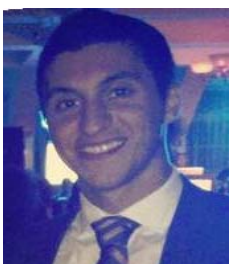
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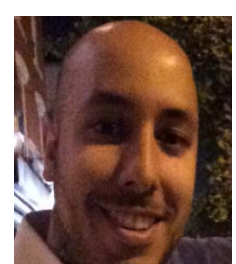
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