



JEWISH STUDIES MOVIES

REGINA (2013)

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Diana Groó's documentary tells the story of Regina Jonas (1902-1944), a strong woman who made history by becoming the first properly ordained woman rabbi in the world. The

daughter of an Orthodox Jewish peddler, Regina grew up in Berlin's slum, studied at the liberal Hochschule für die Wissenschaft des Judentums (College for the Scientific Study of Judaism)

beginning in 1924, and was ordained in 1935. During the Nazi era and the War, her sermons and her unparalleled dedication brought encouragement to the persecuted German Jews. Regina

Jonas was murdered in Auschwitz in 1944. The only surviving photo of Jonas serves as a leitmotif for the film, showing a determined young woman gazing at the camera with self-confidence.

Discussion with **Katalin Kelemen** (the first woman rabbi in Hungary - Sim Shalom Progressive Community) and **Diána Groó** (Director) will follow.