

## Jaunjelgava Jewish Memorial Society

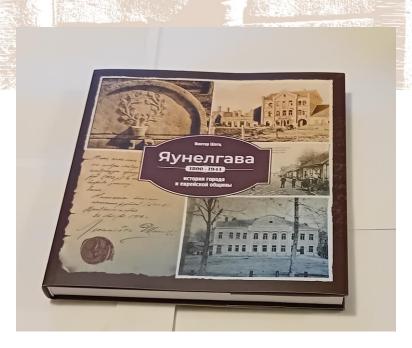


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At the end of last summer, the book by V. Shatz "Jaunjelgava 1800-1941. History of the town and the Jewish community" was published in Russian. About one third of the book is devoted to the general historical circumstances in Jaunjelgava during the period in question and two thirds to the history of the community. Separate chapters are devoted to town planning, Jewish participation in local government, the town's economy, education, religious life and medicine. Special sections deal with the events of the First and Second World Wars and the dispersion of the inhabitants of Friedrichstadt-Jaunjelgava throughout the world during the 20th century.

On more than 250 pages there are dozens of illustrations and hundreds of references to literary and archival primary sources. Interested Russian readers can obtain their copy via this website.

The Latvian and English translation will be published in the second half of 2024 with the support of the Restitution Fund of the Jewish Community of Latvia.



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#### In memory of the Great Synagogue of Friedrichstadt - Jaunjelgava.

In July 2023, a memorial stele was erected next to the historic building of the Great Synagogue of Jaunjelgava. The official inauguration ceremony on 22 September was organised by the Jaunjelgava Cultural Centre (*Sandra Smona*). The event was attended by representatives of the Aizkraukle district, representatives of the Jewish community, amateur



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Speakers are Edmund Kalkis, Artistic Director of the Jaunjelgava Cultural Centre, Cantor Vlad Shulman, Head of Cultural Programmes of the Riga Synagogue, and Yuli Shatz, representative of the Jaunjelgava Jewish Memorial Society.





Women's dance group "Aviva", klezmer group under the direction of Hirsh Kagan (Daugavpils)



From left to right - politician, General Juris Vectirans, longtime mayor of Jaunjelgava Guntis Libeks, businessman, representative of the Jewish Memorial Society of Jaunjelgava Yuli Shatz

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