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*הערב יום ראשון י"א בשבועות  
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NEW YORK, N.Y. -- There'll be standing room only for JB at Yeshiva University, Sunday, January 11. But it won't be for the Broadway play of the same name.

The "JB" we have reference to is less euphemistically known as Dr. Joseph B. Soloveitchik, Yeshiva University renowned Talmudic scholar.

January 11 will be the night when some 2,000 persons will jam Yeshiva's Nathan Iamport Auditorium, Amsterdam Avenue and 186th Street, to hear Dr. Soloveitchik deliver his now-famous "Shiur" (lecture).

Recognized as the foremost authority on Halachah (Jewish law), Dr. Soloveitchik inaugurated this annual discourse to commemorate the Yahrzeit of his revered father, Moshe, who passed away some fifteen years ago.

Without benefit of any accompanying drumbeating, this lecture has gradually become an institution at Yeshiva. With each successive year, the audience has grown to a point where a capacity throng is always a certainty.

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A noteworthy aspect to this perennially SRO event is the nature of the audience that comes to hear this brilliant scholar. Bearded representatives of the ultra-Orthodox, serious young college students, deep-thinking intellectuals - all come to share in a most enriching experience.

The public's response to his annual lecture is a glowing tribute to the stature Dr. Soloveitchik has attained.

One of the truly great Jewish teachers, scholars and thinkers of our time, Dr. Soloveitchik serves as a member of an Ordination Board of Yeshiva's Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, and is the senior Professor in the University's rabbinical training program.

As Professor of Talmud and Jewish Philosophy, his lectures and courses in a variety of scholarly areas are regarded as guidelines of twentieth century Jewish life.

A descendant of one of the most illustrious rabbinic families, he received ordination as a youth in his native Russia. Equally learned in the arts and sciences, he was granted the doctor of philosophy degree by the University of Berlin in 1930.

A resident of Boston, Mass., for more than twenty years, he is the founder and head of the Maimonides Educational Institute of that city. He also is present chairman of the Halacha (Jewish law) Committee of the Rabbinical Council of America, a position considered to be one of the most important in Jewish spiritual life; a member of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the U.S. and Canada, and is closely identified with many important religious, educational and philanthropic undertakings in the Greater Boston area.