

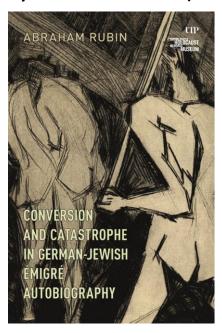




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Conversion and Catastrophe in German-Jewish Émigré Autobiography

Book presentation by Dr. Abraham Rubin (University of Dayton)



Conversion and Catastrophe in German-Jewish Émigré Autobiography is a collective biography of German-Jewish converts to Christianity, recounting their spiritual and confessional journeys against the backdrop of the Holocaust and its aftermath. The book explores how Jewish emigrants interpreted their experiences of persecution and displacement through the hermeneutics of Christian conversion. It asks how chosen genres of writing both enabled and hindered self-understanding. Applying psychoanalysis, disability studies, and autobiographical theory to the life writing of converted Jews, the book offers new avenues for conceptualizing the Jewishness of historical subjects who disavowed their ties to Judaism .



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