**JWRP Visit at the Museum of the Jewish People a Beit Hatfustot**

**Heroes Gallery**

1. **Intro to Gallery**

The Heroes Gallery is geared towards families. Our visit will highlight Jewish heroines over the years, and also give inspiration to how we can introduce Jewish heroes as a fun and meaningful topic with our children.

1. Find two women heroes that you didn't know/didn't know where Jewish and read about them. Take a picture of their icon+text from the display ipad.
2. Gather up for sharing and conversation: Why did you choose those heroes? What made them heroes? What trail did they blaze?
3. Donna Gracia or Rosalind Franklin: visit one of these displays and share these examples of women who made a difference.

*Doña Gracia Nasi (1510 – 1569)*

*The richest Jewish woman in renaissance Europe, she traded in spices and gems, among other things. Gracia was a philanthropist who helped Conversos (forcibly converted Jews) who suffered the horrors of the Inquisition. She leased the city of Tiberias from Sultan Suliman with the goal of making it into a major center of Jewish settlement, trade, and learning.*

*Rosalind Franklin (1920 – 1958)*

*A chemist and X-ray crystallographer, she studied the structures of DNA, RNA, viruses, coal, and graphite. Best known for laying the groundwork for discovery of the DNA double helix, her male colleagues in this endeavor were awarded the Nobel Prize for this work to her exclusion, and her own contributions to the discovery of DNA were largely recognized only after her death.*

Both women did extraordinary deeds that were well out of their comfort zones:

Donna Gracia took over a trading empire after her husband passed away (let's Ms. Jobbs and Ms. Zuckerburg doing the same now, and what would be the reaction? Then think about 500 years ago).

Rosalind Franklin went into the sciences, a field that to this day is predominately male. She didn't receive the credit, but continues to inspire women today.

1. Discussion: What heroes from your own lives and community would you choose? Who would be in your own "Jewish Women Hall of Fame"?
2. Take away: Each receives a Jewish woman hero card. The museum also has an educational kit which is available on the online museum store.