PREFACE TO SHEILA SHULMAN'S WRITINGS

To choose a selection from Sheila's writings for inclusion in this issue was both a great privilege and a great responsibility for me as her literary executor. What would reflect the breadth of her knowledge, the eclecticism of her reading, the integrity of her heart? The following pieces are those I believe best reflect her self-understanding as a unique 'Rabbi and Teacher in Israel' (as her highly prized rabbinic ordination proclaimed her). They also present the challenge with which she has left us: how do we build communities worthy of labels such as 'inclusive' and – yes, ever and always – 'feminist'?

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