

Ephraim Katzir to lecture

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Ephraim Katzir, distinguished biochemist and former president of Israel, will discuss "Experiences of a Scientist as a Nation's President" at 8 p.m. Monday, March 12, in Third College Lecture Hall 107 at the University of California, San Diego. Admission is free.

Katzir, who served as Israel's president from 1973 until 1978, is a visiting professor at UC San Diego until next month.

The 62-year-old Russian-born researcher is using his time on campus as an opportunity to see progress in the scientific areas of interest to me and as a chance to crystallize in my own mind the type of research I want to do in the future."

The late Golda Meir, former prime minister of Israel, asked Katzir to run for president and he accepted.

His leadership of the embattled nation spanned a period which included the "Yom Kippur War" with Egypt, Israel's raid on Entebbe Airport in Uganda, and the initial peace overtures by Egypt's President Anwar El-Sadat.

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