

Today's Headlines: Brooklyn Lawmaker In Blackface

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Brooklyn Assemblyman Dov Hikind is under fire for wearing a [blackface costume](#) to a party this weekend celebrating the Jewish holiday Purim. He was dressed as a "black basketball player." Purim has a costume tradition similar to Halloween. Hikind initially called the criticism "absurd," but eventually apologized after mounting outrage. Then in a radio interview following the recantation, he asked the host if it would be alright if he "[played a gay person](#) next year."

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