

Israeli Arts & Culture Featuring Bezalel On Tour

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When Boris Schatz founded the Bezalel School of Arts and Crafts in 1906, it expressed an effort to carve out a distinctive style of Jewish art for a new nation to be built in the ancient Jewish homeland.

Since its idealistic beginnings, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design has evolved into one of the world's most prestigious art schools—synonymous with more than 100 years of creative and academic excellence—delivering a message of contemporary Israeli art as innovative and groundbreaking, fueled by local materials and creating a powerful international presence.

This exhibition, curated by the head of the Ceramics and Glass Design Department, Muli Ben Sasson, includes the best of Bezalel graduates from the last five years from all academic departments: Fine Arts, Architecture, Photography, Ceramic and Glass Design, Industrial Design, Jewelry and Fashion, Visual Communication and Screen-Based Arts.

If a nation's cultural identity is shaped by artistic expression, the exuberance, humor, drama and creativity exhibited by these young artists speak to an Israel on the cutting edge.

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**FROM THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LYNDA A. BENDER**



First, I want to thank so many of you for your congratulations on my appointment to Executive Director. Your cards, notes, emails and best wishes are greatly appreciated and I hope to live up to your high expectations.

When I first arrived at the Museum on a snowy day in late January 2005, it was a construction site. A few staffers shared office space with architects, exhibit designers and builders. I walked through unfinished spaces—floor plan in hand—trying to envision what was to come, asking the question what story are we trying to tell?

Since that time, the story of Cleveland's Jewish community—arrival and struggle, hopes and dreams, good times and bad—has evolved to embrace the story of all those who experience barriers to the American dream of freedom and equality. Through special exhibitions as diverse as *Women and Spirit: Catholic Sisters in America* to *Nazi Olympics: Berlin 1936* to *Hardship to Hope: African American Art from the Karamu Workshop* to the success of the Stop the Hate: Youth Speak Out essay and scholarship contest, the Museum shines a light on the dark places of inequity and discrimination.

When I arrived in 2005, I was alone with my question, but now we have you—our donors, members, volunteers, and visitors—to engage with us in pondering the collective story of our community and our nation, who we are and who we strive to be.

This is your Museum—I invite you to help us tell your story.

**\$5 FRIDAYS
RETURN BY POPULAR DEMAND**

Our gift to you this holiday season is \$5 admission to the Museum on Fridays now through December 31, 2012. Admission includes access to the entire Museum, plus *Israeli Arts and Culture* featuring *Bezalel on Tour*.

MUSEUM HAPP



Students from St. Jude School in Elyria touch the original bronze cast hand of Pope John Paul II.

The traveling exhibition *A Blessing to One Another: Pope John Paul II and the Jewish People* brought thousands of people together from different cultures and communities.



Community leaders (left - right) Umberto P. Fedeli, Lorraine Doderero and Samuel H. Miller pack the house for a panel discussion sharing personal memories of Pope John Paul II and his historic relationship with the Jewish people.



Visitors enjoy a private docent led tour of *A Blessing to One Another: Pope John Paul II and the Jewish People*.



Mary Ann Montani from St. Francis of Assissi Parish in Gates Mills, places a prayer in a replica of the Western Wall.

ENINGS...



Thanks to a generous contribution from the Fernanda and Josef Friedman Holocaust Education Fund, 230 students from (pictured) R.B. Chamberlin Middle School (Twinsburg) and Cardinal High School (Chardon) visited the Museum for intensive programs. Students met with survivors to hear their stories of triumph over hatred, took tours of the Museum to learn about Jewish culture, and discussed their role in preventing another Holocaust in the future. Neither school would have been able to visit the Museum without Freidman Fund support for transportation and admission costs.

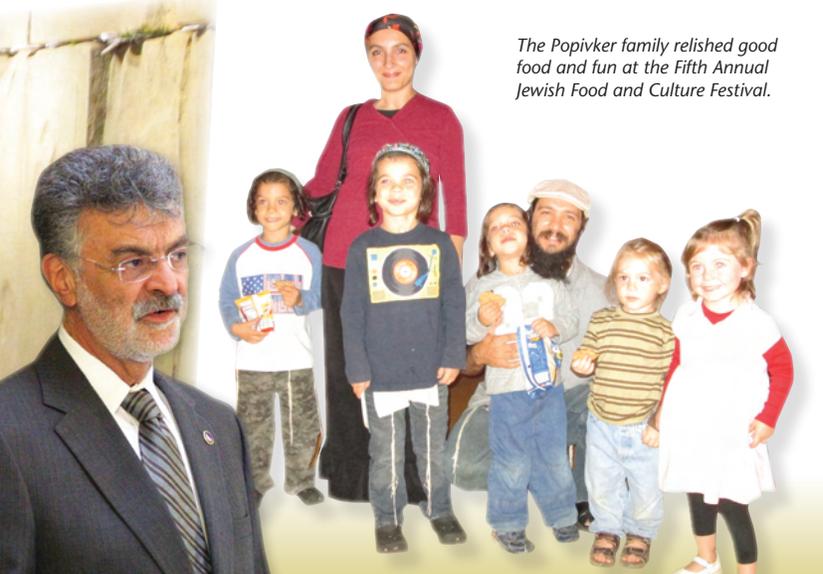
PEOPLE SUPPORT THE MUSEUM IN MANY SPECIAL WAYS



Cheers to our fabulous volunteers seen enjoying the Seventh Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.



(left-right) Jackie Gee Kee Yoong (Singapore) and Dr. Kamile Rupeikaite-Mariniuk (Lithuania) buy gifts for loved ones back home while visiting the Museum during the International Visitor Leadership Project "Museum Management in the U.S." in conjunction with Cleveland Council on World Affairs.



The Popivker family relished good food and fun at the Fifth Annual Jewish Food and Culture Festival.

Mayor Frank Jackson honors Jewish contributions to American culture during Jewish American Heritage Day celebrated at Cleveland City Hall.



Members of the Piast Polish Folk Ensemble delight a crowd during Family Day: A Celebration of Polish and Jewish Culture.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Seating is limited; to reserve your tickets call 216.593.0575

OCTOBER

JEWES AND THE CIVIL WAR

MOVIE NIGHT: JEWISH SOLDIERS IN BLUE AND GRAY (90 MINUTES)

Wednesday, October 3 7pm
\$10/\$8 members in advance
\$12/\$10 members at the door



Don't miss the encore of last spring's sold out film! Brother against brother, Jew against Jew, 10,000 Jewish soldiers fought on both sides of the battlefield. This remarkable film reveals the little-known struggles that faced Jewish Americans in the field and on the home front during the nation's deadliest war.

PERFORMANCE PREVIEW: THE WHIPPING MAN

Wednesday, October 17 7pm
Free
Reservations required



Join Director **Giovanna Sardelli**, Artistic Associate for Engagement **Corey Atkins**, and members of the cast for scenes and discussion of this surprising and suspenseful drama. Set at the end of the Civil War, two former slaves and a Jewish Confederate soldier come together on Passover eve to wrestle with questions of friendship, faith and the meaning of freedom. See *The Whipping Man* at the Cleveland Play House, November 2-25.



FILM SERIES

FILM: A CENTURY OF ISRAELI ART PART I: IN THE SABRA LAND 1900-1960 (45 MINUTES)

Wednesday, October 24 7pm
\$10/\$8 members in advance
\$12/\$10 members at the door
Purchase advance tickets to Part I and Part II (November 7) for \$15/\$12 members

Explore how Israeli art has defined and re-defined its "Israeliness" from the founding of the Bezalel Academy by Boris Schatz in 1906 and the emergence of a characteristically Hebrew Israeli art aesthetic, through the tumult of the early 1960s.



Samantha Baskind, Associate Professor of Art at CSU leads post-viewing discussions.

FILM: A CENTURY OF ISRAELI ART PART II: I'M A SABRA 1960-2008 (45 MINUTES)

Wednesday, November 7 7pm
\$10/\$8 members in advance
\$12/\$10 members at the door
Purchase advance tickets to Part I and Part II (October 24) for \$15/\$12 members

Part II illuminates the formation and evolution of Israeli identity as reflected through visual art; from "sabra" art—rich in audacity and poor in material—through the multi-cultural revolution and generation of globalization, where place is absent and Israeli art is caught between the local and the universal.

Yaacov Agam, 1982

NOVEMBER

ARTIST TALK: REUT SHAHAR

Thursday, November 1 2pm
Free with Museum admission

Meet Israeli artist and Bezalel graduate, **Reut Shahar**. She and her husband, Aharon, founded KAKADU, a functional Israeli wood home furnishings and accessories company.

Learn how her whimsical and inventive style of art reflects both past and present Israeli and American influences. Reut will share examples of her work as well as her Bezalel Academy training. In collaboration with **Pennello Gallery**.



COMMUNITY DAY: CELEBRATE ISRAELI ARTS & CULTURE!

Sunday, November 11 1-4pm
Free with Museum admission

Israel today is a global leader in the fields of art, music, technology and more. Meet *Shin-Shinim* (young Israeli cultural ambassadors) from this remarkable country, enjoy a dialogue on life in Israel today and tour the beautiful and challenging works produced by leading young Israeli artists from the Bezalel Academy in Jerusalem. Hands-on arts projects and Israeli snacks all afternoon.

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NOVEMBER

LIVE MUSIC: *DI TSVEY* – THE GREENMAN/RUSHEFSKY DUO

Wednesday, November 14 7pm
\$12/\$10 members in advance
\$14/\$12 members at the door



Violinist **Steven Greenman** and Tsimblist **Peter Rushefsky**, renowned performers

of traditional East European Jewish klezmer music, present a concert in commemoration of Kristallnacht highlighted by several of their own soulful and stunning Jewish compositions. The evening also honors US soldiers who fought bravely against tyranny.



MOVIE NIGHT: *THOU SHALT NOT DANCE* (60 MINUTES/HEBREW WITH ENGLISH SUB-TITLES)

Wednesday, November 28 7pm
\$10/\$8 members in advance
\$12/\$10 members at the door

This illuminating documentary explores the obstacles faced by three Orthodox men who establish a dance school for religious males. The film chronicles their struggles as they try to reconcile their desire to express themselves physically while still maintaining an Orthodox life.

DECEMBER

HANUKKAH CANDLE LIGHTING

Wednesday, December 12 5:30pm
Free



Join the Friends of the Maltz Museum to light the Hanukkah Menorah, sing a few songs, share a

few treats and do some last minute holiday shopping—free gift wrapping!

LIVE MUSIC: MUSIC FOR AN EXHIBITION

Wednesday, December 12 7pm
\$12/\$10 members in advance
\$14/\$12 members at the door

Timothy Beyer and members of the **No Exit New Music Ensemble** present a concert program inspired by *Israeli Arts and Culture: Bezalel on Tour*. Join us for a unique evening of progressive music featuring the works of Israeli and Jewish composers.



CHINESE FOOD & A MOVIE DAY: ISRAEL UNPLUGGED!

Tuesday December 25 1-4pm
Free with Museum Admission

Nowhere to go on December 25th? Come to the Maltz Museum for an afternoon of fun and films from the Land of Israel. Tour the permanent collection and special exhibition *Israeli Arts and Culture: Bezalel on Tour*. Enjoy art projects with an Israeli twist and those traditional Jewish delicacies—egg rolls and fortune cookies! Check our website for a complete schedule.



SAVE THE DATE
May 30, 2013

Maltz Museum Inaugural Diversity and Tolerance Award Dinner

Honoring **Dr. Delos (Toby) Cosgrove**, Chief Executive Officer & President of the Cleveland Clinic Foundation



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HOURS

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday11am - 5pm
Wednesday11am - 9pm
SaturdayNoon - 5pm
Monday Closed

CLOSED - Thanksgiving Day - November 22, 2012

Museum open daily for group tours and private events beginning at 9am and on Mondays.

DROP-IN TOURS OF OUR PERMANENT COLLECTION & SPECIAL EXHIBITION

Wednesdays and Sundays at 2pm

Groups of 10 or more, please schedule in advance. groupsales@mmjh.org

For **FREE** admission every day, exclusive events and reduced program fees, become a Maltz Museum member today! To purchase tickets or become a member, please call 216.593.0575 or email info@mmjh.org

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Adults \$12
Seniors 60+ and Students ages 12+ \$10
Children ages 5-11 \$5
Ticket Packs of 35 or more \$7 per ticket
Includes access to entire Museum, including
special exhibitions

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Group Tours are available by advance reservation
daily, including Mondays. Admission includes
a guided tour of the permanent collections or
special exhibition led by knowledgeable docents,
no-wait access to the exhibitions and a 10%
discount to the Museum Store.

- Advance reservation required for groups
of 10 or more.
- Special discounted rates for groups of 15 or more.
Adults: \$8; Seniors/Students: \$6
- School groups are \$3/student (1 teacher
chaperone per ten students admitted free)

Contact groupsales@mmjh.org or call
216.593.0575 to schedule a tour.

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FROM THE SHELVES OF THE MUSEUM STORE

HANUKKAH SHOPPING NIGHTS!



Receive 10%* off your purchase
plus free gift wrapping.

Wednesday November 28,
December 5 and December 12.

Hanukkah Shopping Nights sparkle with glistening gifts including jewelry, Judaica,
decorative accessories, dolls, books and more. The Museum Store celebrates *Israeli
Arts and Culture featuring Bezalel on Tour* with a variety of Israeli artists' merchandise.



With a purchase of \$50 or more, receive a FREE
box of Hanukkah candles (while supplies last).

*20% discount maximum for members. Consider becoming a member TODAY!
Discount does not apply to sale merchandise or other promotions.

Your Membership Matters! Become a Maltz Museum member, or give the gift of membership today!

We have a strong base of 1,500 member households, and we'd love
to count you among those supporters by becoming a member today.

Benefits include:

- Free admission – every day and to every unique special exhibition
- Guest passes – now a benefit at every level
- Discounts on public program tickets and Museum Store purchases
- Invitations to members-only events and private previews

Show your support of the Museum and our shared values by becoming a Member.
– Memberships provide critical funding for the Museum's operations and are essential
to our sustainability.

Becoming a member is easy – visit MMJH.org, call Colleen at 216.593.0583,
or stop in to the Museum and sign up!

