ISRAELI ARTS AND CULTURE featuring BEZALEL ON TOUR

October 23, 2012 – January 13, 2013 Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage

Admission, Tours & Hours

ADMISSION

Includes access to entire museum, including special exhibition

- Maltz Museum members and children under 5 years: FREE
- Adults: \$12
- Seniors 60+ and Students ages 12+: \$10
- Children ages 5-11: \$5
- Ticket Packs of 35 or more: \$7 per ticket

TOURS

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

- Special discounted rates for groups of 15 or more...Adults: \$8; Seniors/Students: \$6
- Additional discounts available for groups 35 and above. Call for details.
- 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 or for more information.

Drop-In Tours

Drop-In Tours available for *Bezalel on Tour* or the permanent collection Sundays at 2pm. Drop-In Tours available Wednesdays at 2pm for permanent collection only. Groups of 10 or more should secure an advance reservation.

HOURS

Open to the public Sun/Tue/Thu/Fri: 11am – 5pm; Wed: 11am – 9pm; Sat: Noon – 5pm; Mon: Closed (open by reservation for tours and events); Store open all regular Museum hours.

Holiday Hours: Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 22 (CLOSED)

Christmas Day – Tuesday, December 25 (OPEN 11AM – 5PM)





MALTZ MUSEUM OF JEWISH HERITAGE ISRAELI ARTS AND CULTURE PROGRAM SCHEDULE October 2012 – January 2013

All events are at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage unless otherwise indicated. Reservations are suggested, many programs sell out, and there is a discount for advance ticket purchases for most programs.

Wednesday, October 24...7pm

A Century of Israeli Art Part I: In the Sabra Land 1900-1960

\$12/\$10 Maltz Museum Members - purchase in advance and save \$2

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 History at CSU leads a post-viewing discussion. Purchase advance tickets to Part I and Part II (November 7) for \$15/\$12 members.

Thursday, November 1...2pm Artist Talk: Reut Shahar 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.

Wednesday, November 7...7pm

A Century of Israeli Art Part II: I'm A Sabra 1960-2008

\$12/\$10 Maltz Museum Members - purchase in advance and save \$2

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. Samantha Baskind, Associate Professor of Art History at CSU leads a post-viewing discussion. Purchase advance tickets to Part I and Part II (October 24)) for \$15/\$12 Maltz Museum members .

Sunday, November 11...1-4pm Community Day FREE with Museum Admission

Celebrate Israeli Arts & Culture! 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.





Wednesday, November 28...7pm

Thou Shalt Not Dance

\$12/\$10 Maltz Museum Members - purchase in advance and save \$2

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. In Hebrew with English subtitles.

Wednesday, December 12...7pm

Music for an Exhibition

\$14/\$12 Maltz Museum Members - purchase in advance and save \$2

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

Tuesday, December 25...1-4pm Chinese Food & A Movie Day FREE with Museum Admission

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

Museum Open 11am – 5pm





ISRAELI ARTS AND CULTURE AROUND TOWN EVENTS SCHEDULE October 2012 – January 2013

Now through January 13

The Temple Museum of Religious Art presents

A Distinctive Jewish Style: Early Bezalel Arts and Crafts from The Temple Collection

The Temple-Tifereth Israel in the Loggia of the Mandel Sanctuary

26000 Shaker Boulevard

Beachwood, Ohio 44122

216-831-3233 • www.ttti.org

The exhibition features historic Bezalel metalwork including two menorot, a mezuzah, two Esther scroll cases, several plaques by Boris Schatz, and the graphic works of major leading artists from the Land of Israel, Ze'ev Raban, Ephraim Moses Lilien, Able Pann and Meir Gur Arie.

Thursday, October 25
Zionism and Early Bezalel Art
7pm
Free
The Temple-Tifereth Israel
26000 Shaker Boulevard
Beachwood, Ohio 44122

216-831-3233 • www.ttti.org

Explore the fascinating history and significance of both Zionism and the Bezalel Art Movement, while examining the dynamic interaction between the two, with Rabbi Roger Klein and The Temple Museum of Religious Art Director Sue Koletsky.

November 1, 2, 5 - 8

Kakadu Art Workshops with Reut Shahar

Times vary

\$25 - \$150 depending on the item you choose to make

Pennello Gallery

12407 Mayfield Rd. (in Little Italy)

Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Must call for reservations 216.707.9390 • www.pennellogallery.com

Reut Shahar, founder of Kakadu, one of Israel's most noted and contemporary home décor companies, will host the workshops where you can create works of art..."because everyone is born an artist!" Using materials and a variety of colors, Ms. Shahar will entertain you while working with you to craft something creative while sharing an unforgettable and memorable experience! Class price includes one art item to take home, refreshments, camaraderie and creativity!





Saturday, November 3
New Works by Reut Shahar
7 – 10pm
Free
Pennello Gallery
12407 Mayfield Rd. (in Little Italy)
Cleveland, Ohio 44106
216.707.9390 • www.pennellogallery.com

Celebrate Pennello Gallery's 5th anniversary with refreshments, live music, and the one of a kind art of Kakadu founder Reut Shahar and her son Hillel.





MALTZ MUSEUM CELEBRATES ISRAELI ARTS AND CULTURE

Contemporary Works from Israel's Leading Arts Institute to Be Featured

Cleveland, OH (October 12, 2012) The Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage will introduce visitors to the beauty and diversity of contemporary works emerging from Israel with *Israeli Arts and Culture*, a season-long offering of programs and events (October 23 – January 13). The highlight is *Bezalel on Tour*, an exhibition that celebrates the 106th anniversary of Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Israel's oldest institute of higher education and a leading international academy of art, design and architecture. Programs at the Museum include live music, films, and an artist talk. Several other events will occur throughout Cleveland's Jewish and artistic communities.

Curated by the head of the Ceramics and Glass Design Department, Muli Ben Sasson, *Bezalel on Tour* includes the best of the contemporary works of Bezalel graduates from the last five years from all of Bezalel's Academic Departments: Fine Arts, Architecture, Photography, Ceramic and Glass Design, Industrial Design, Jewelry and Fashion, Visual Communication and Screen-Based Arts, as well as works from its graduate programs: Master of Design and Master in Fine Arts. The exhibition, which had stops in Baltimore and Chicago earlier this year, will travel throughout North America over the next year, including to the Corcoran Museum in Washington in the spring of 2013 followed by the Perry and Marty Granoff Center for the Creative Arts and Brown University/RISD Hillel in Providence, Rhode Island.

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. More than 100 years later, Bezalel continues to deliver its message of contemporary Israeli art as innovative and groundbreaking, fueled by local materials and creating a powerful international presence. In recent years, the Academy has exhibited in Orangerie du Sénat, Luxembourg Gardens in Paris, Universität der Künste Berlin, Milan Design Week and Sotheby's in London, among other prestigious venues.

"We are so pleased to bring this exceptional retrospective showing an Israel on the cutting edge of contemporary art and culture to Northeast Ohio. It's an experience not to be missed." said Museum Executive Director Lynda A. Bender.

"We, at Bezalel, are excited to display a selection of some of our best graduate work in the past few years," said Bezalel President Professor Eva Illouz. "It is a real privilege to be able to work closely with the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage, and the local Cleveland community on this exhibition, and we hope that Bezalel on Tour will give visitors a sample of some of the fresh and daring contemporary art coming out of Israel today."



Programs at the Maltz Museum include:

Local component – selection of art from students at the Cleveland Institute of Art (Oct. 23 – Jan. 13)

Film screening – A Century of Israeli Art, Parts I & II (Oct. 24/Nov. 7)

Artist talk – Reut Shahar, Israeli artist and Bezalel graduate (Nov. 1)

Community day – Israeli arts and culture-themed programs all afternoon (Nov. 11)

Film screening – Thou Shalt Not Dance (Nov. 28)

Live music – No Exit Music Ensemble (Dec. 12)

Sponsored by Cleveland Israel Arts Connection/Jewish Federation of Cleveland

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About Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Jerusalem

Bezalel is Israel's leading academy of art and design, and one of the most prestigious of its kind in the world. Established in 1906, with the support of the founder of Modern Zionism, Theodor Herzl, Bezalel is the source of some of the most creative talent emerging from the Middle East. Bezalel has built an international network of art and design excellence. Its alumni exhibit their work in the world's leading venues, and the Academy is a focus and a destination for students and the creative community from across the globe.

Bezalel has a broad and multifaceted scope of professional and artistic activities involving both pioneering state-of-the-art design methods as well as ancient techniques. The academy offers workshops unparalleled anywhere else in Israel in a variety of fields that have seen many changes in the past decades: industrial design, architecture, animation & video art, visual communications, fine art, photography fashion & jewelry, history & theory and ceramics & glass.

Both the faculty and the student body are driven by a passion to create and by their meticulous attention to quality and excellence. These two cornerstones, plus the Academy's commitment to fostering creativity and opportunity amongst all communities in Israel, have positioned Bezalel at the center of Israel's creative and artistic scene, making it instrumental in shaping and enriching the country's cultural identity.

www.bezalel.ac.il

For further information about the Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, please contact: Jason Silberman on 054 535 9955 / Jason_s@koteret.com





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