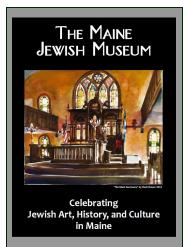




THE MAINE JEWISH MUSEUM Celebrating Jewish Art, History, and Culture in Maine



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The Maine Jewish Museum began exhibiting Jewish Artists with a Maine connection in 2013. For the past seven years we have provided to our community over 80 exhibitions. We began with one exhibition every three months and now we provide three exhibitions every two months. As the Museum remains closed during this time of social distancing, we would like to share some memories of the wonderful exhibitions.

We have chosen 3 exhibits from each year to highlight and jog your memory during these stay at home times.

Enjoy! Nancy Davidson, Curator In Residence Nanci Kahn, Curator of Photography

Please enjoy this sampling from our 2015 Exhibitions

Shalom House Art Program

For over twenty-five years the fundamental aspiration of this Art Program has been to teach adults living with severe mental illness that Art is Therapy. The creative process provides relief from active symptoms. The voices, confusion, and depression that many of our artists experience are eased by the calming effects of working with their hands.

The Artists of Shalom House were honored to exhibit their work in the newly renovated

Fineberg Family Community Room.







Natasha Mayers

Natasha Mayers has been called Maine's most committed activist-artist. She has supervised more than 500 murals as a touring artist with the Maine Arts Commission. She is an artist-in-residence for Peace Action Maine and was a National Endowment for the Arts Millennium Artist in Portsmouth, Ohio. Her work marries art and community often exploring themes of peace and social justice.

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Men In Suits focuses on men and their diverse environments, challenging the viewer and evoking conversation.







Jo Israelson

More than 1,000 Portland 'weavers', 75 spinners, and 20 organizations worked together to create an Abraham's tent for Jo Israelson's *Welcoming the Stranger* multimedia installation. The exhibit highlights the treatment of immigrants in Portland during the 1920's with their treatment today. Israelson, a Portland native, has spent 2 years researching the history of the House Island Quarantine and Immigration station and how the city "welcomed" those who arrived there.









Maine Jewish Museum

The mission of the Maine Jewish Museum is to honor the contributions and diversity of Maine's Jewish immigrants in the context of the American experience. Through exhibits and programming, the Museum seeks to build bridges of appreciation and understanding with people of all backgrounds.

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