

"PAGES OF JEWISH HISTORY ILLUSTRATED IN MEDALLIC ART"

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CASE 1

Selected Medals from: The Medalliac History Of The Jewish People

Conceived/Directed By: Mr. Robert Weber
Produced By: The Judaic Heritage Society
Minted By: The Franklin Mint

LEFT:

Abraham
The Twelve Tribes
Samuel
Solomon

Moses
Deborah
Saul
Elijah

Canaan
Samson
David
Jonah

Isaiah
Jeremiah
Job
Simon The Just

Amos
Rachel's Tomb
Return From Exile
Ben Sire

Micah
Ezekiel
The Temple
Maccabean Revolt

CENTER:

Rashi Hasidism

Baron De Hirsch

The Shtetl

RIGHT:

The Holocaust
Stephen Wise
Albert Einstein
David Ben-Gurion

Warsaw Ghetto
Jewish Defense
Martin Buber
Birth Of Israel

Henrietta Szold
Hannah Szenes
Exodus
War Of Liberation

Ingathering Of Exiles
Moshe Sharett
Yitzhak Ben-Zvi
The Six-Day War

Chaim Weizmann
Sinai Campaign
Zalman Shazar
Goldie Meir

Ernest Bloch
Moshe Dayan
Levi Eshkol
Jerusalem The Eternal

CASE 2

Top Left: Medal of Liberation - "Judea Capta"
First medal struck by the State of Israel (IGCM-Br)

Bottom Left: First Settlers Year Medal (IGCM-Br)

Top Center: Joint Israel Appeal Medal (IGCM-Br)
Knesset Medal - Jerusalem(reverse) (IGCM-Br)
Gates of Jerusalem (IGCM-Br)

Bottom Center: Knesset Medal (IGCM-Br)
Sh'ma Yisroel (obverse) (IGCM-Br)
Here O Israel (reverse) (IGCM-Br)
Am Yisroel Chai - The People of Israel Lives (IGCM-Br)

Bottom Center: Tribute to Truman (JHS -S)
Pilot's Medal - Given only to pilots who flew
missions during the Six-Day War.
Tribute to Golda (JHS- S)

Top Right: Medal of Valor
Second medal struck by the State of Israel (IGCM-Br)

Bottom Right: Chaim Weizmann Centenary Medal (IGCM-Br)

Case 3

Top Left: The Ghetto Uprisings Medal (IGCM-Br)

Bottom Left: Yishuv's Volunteers Medal (IGCM-Br)

Top Center: Zeev Jabotinsky Centenary Medal (IGCM-Br)

Center: Theodore Herzl -- If You Will It-It Is No Dream (JHS-S)
Egypt/Israel Peace Medal (IGCM-Br)
Journey to Jerusalem (JHS-S)

Bottom Center: World Gathering/Holocaust Survivors (Israel '81) (IGCM-Br)
Simon Wiesenthal - Signed by Mr. Wiesenthal
in Memphis. (USMt-Br)
American Gathering/Holocaust Survivors (Phila.'85)

Top Right: Operation Jonathan Medal - July 4, 1976
"He Sent From Above And Took Me" (Psalms 18:17) (IGCM-Br)

Bottom Right: "Bar Mitzvah" Medal - Marking the Thirteenth Anniv.
of the State of Israel. (IGCM-Br)

Israel Government Coins & Metals Corp. (IGCM)
Judaic Heritage Society (JHS)
Bronze (BR)
Silver (S)

CASE 4

LEFT - The Twelve Tribes of Israel

Sculptor - Elizabeth N. Weistrop
Produced By: Judaic Metal Society

RIGHT - Chai Ingot Collection - Festivals and Holidays

The Hebrew Letters Chet Yod represent the number 18=Chai=Life, the Motif of the Chai Ingot Collection.

Sculptor: Rina Rotholz
Produced By: Judaic Heritage Society

1. Chanukah - The ingot shows a Chanukah lamp and a jug for oil. The latter is symbolic of the single jug of undefiled oil found in the desecrated Temple. Inset in the design of the lamp is a menorah, which was a feature of the Temple in Jerusalem. The lions, which are part of the design of the lamp, are symbols of strength and sovereignty.
2. Pidyon Ha-Ben - This ingot portrays the priestly blessing of the first-born son held by the father. The traditional position of the priest's fingers is shown. Above the Hebrew letters are seen replicas of five coins of Bar Kochba, issued in the second century, C.E.
3. Tu bi'Shevat - The design is a symbolic portrayal of youth planting trees in the traditional celebration of Tu bi'Shevat.
4. Purim - The ingot portrays a Purim carnival scene illustrated on a section of a Scroll of Esther opening at the left. The lady at the right, is portraying Queen Esther. The clown symbolizes the spirit of revelry and joy. At the left, Mordecai leads Haman to his own gallows.
5. Pesach - The ingot portrays Moses leading the Children of Israel out of Egypt.
6. Shavuot - The ingot portrays a symbolic harvest scene in ancient Israel, the gathering of the grain and first fruits for the Temple offering.
7. Brith Milah - The medal portrays a traditional scene with the Sandek seated in Elijah's Chair, holding the child while the Mohel prepares for the Brith.
8. Tisha b'Av - The ingot portrays the destruction of the First Temple, symbolized by the broken stones and column. The soldier, in front, is leading the family of four Jews into exile.
9. Rosh Hashanah - The ingot portrays the blowing of the shofar during Rosh Hashanah synagogue services.
10. Yom Kippur - The ingot portrays a symbolic scene of Yom Kippur in Temple times. At the left is the High Priest, wearing breastplate, with burning censer. Also shown are the two goats brought as a sin offering by the people.
11. Succot - The ingot portrays a family scene inside a succah such as might have existed in earlier times.
12. Simchat Torah - The ingot shows a scene in the synagogue on Simchat Torah with the elders dancing with the scroll as the children follow.

13. Bar Mitzvah - The medal shows a Bar Mitzvah boy reading his portion of the Law.
14. Chupah - The ingot portrays a Jewish wedding scene with the rabbi reading the ketubah.
15. Yizkor - The ingot portrays a widow at prayer with the Yahrzeit light flickering on the table. Also depicted are the words of the Kaddish prayer.
16. Lag ba-Omer - The ingot portrays Rabbi Shimon ben Yohai and his son Eleazar in the cave in which they are said to have spent thirteen years hiding from the Romans.
17. Yom Atzmaut - The ingot depicts an Independence Day Parade by the wall of the Old City with King David's Tower in the background.
18. Shabbat - The ingot portrays a candle-lighting scene symbolic of the Sabbath eve at the family table.

BOTTOM RIGHT - Lion of Judah Medal
Judiac Medal Society