

Stand in Light and Shadow: Seeing Ourselves Through Text and Image



Midrash

Midrash מדרש refers to the imaginative collection of stories created for the last 2000 years to explain passages in the bible. Midrash is a method of interpreting biblical stories that goes beyond the simple meaning of religious, legal, or moral teachings. It fills in gaps left in the biblical narrative regarding events and personalities that are only hinted at.

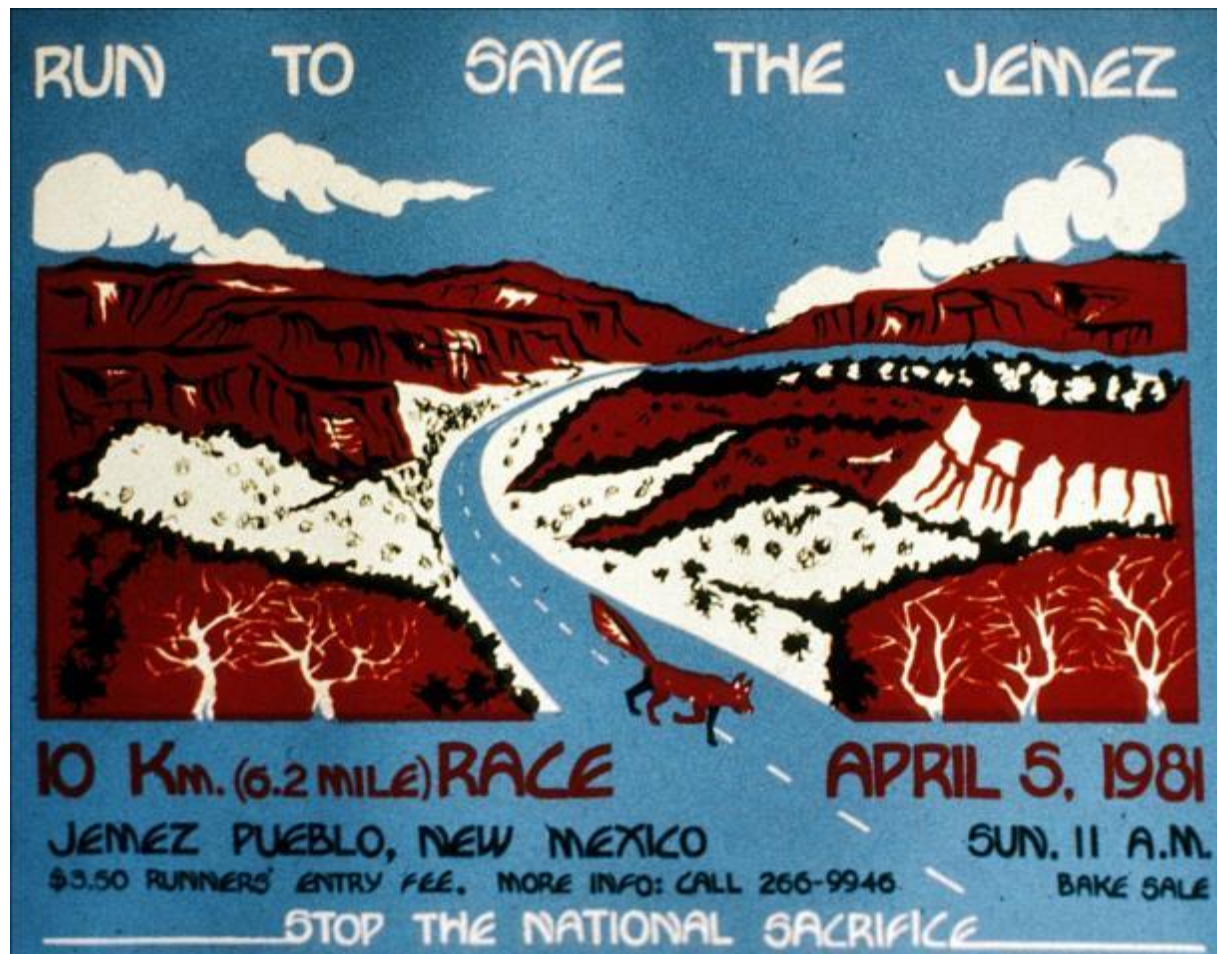
Hiddur Mitzvah

- The concept of Hiddur Mitzvah is derived from commentary on the verse, "This is my God and I will glorify Him" (Exodus 15:2). The rabbis explained that the way human beings can glorify God is to carry out all the mitzvot, all actions, in beauty.

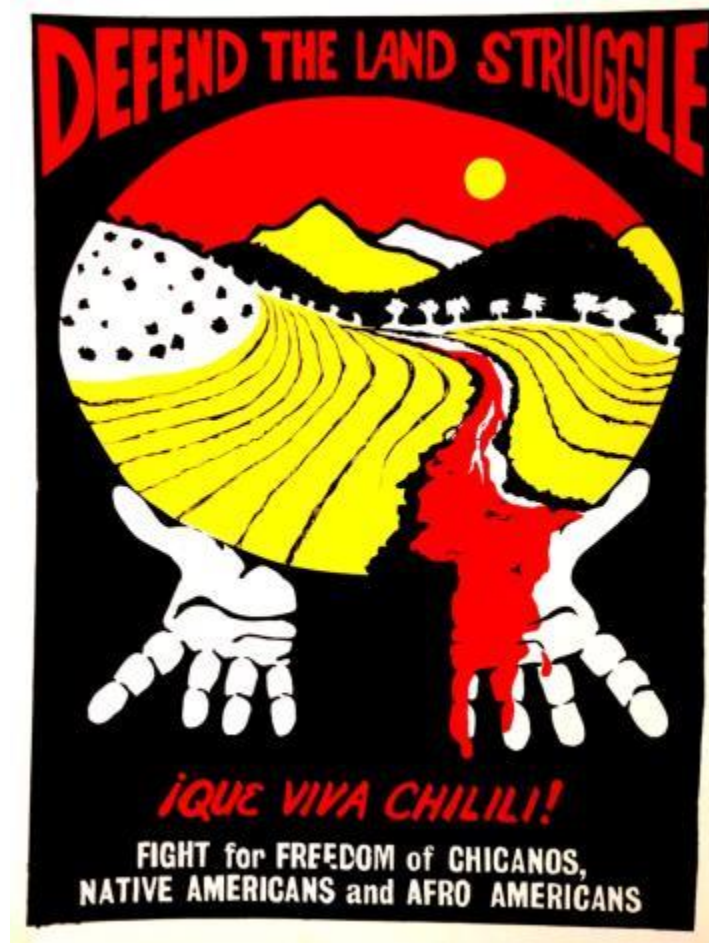
Tikkun Olam

- Tikkun Olam means “fixing the world”, and is interpreted as our human responsibility to leave the world a better place than we found it.

Silkscreen poster



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Early papercut



Linoleum Cut Illustration

Had Gadya : Passover folk song



Chinese papercuts



Mexican papercuts



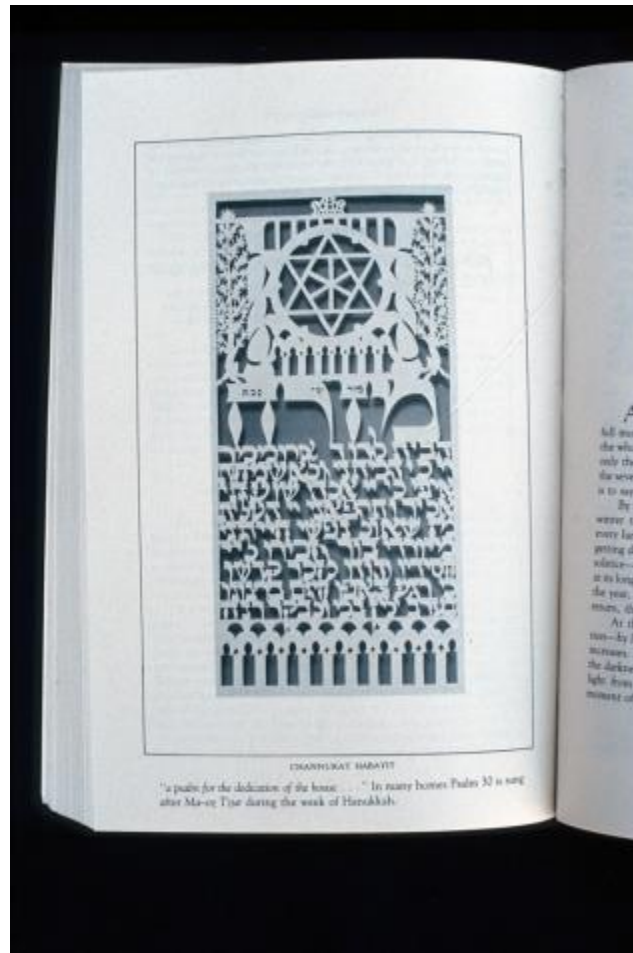
Modern Jewish Papercut

Tsirl Waletzky



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Yehudit Shadur



Traditional Jewish Papercut: Eastern Europe Mizrah / East Wall Marker

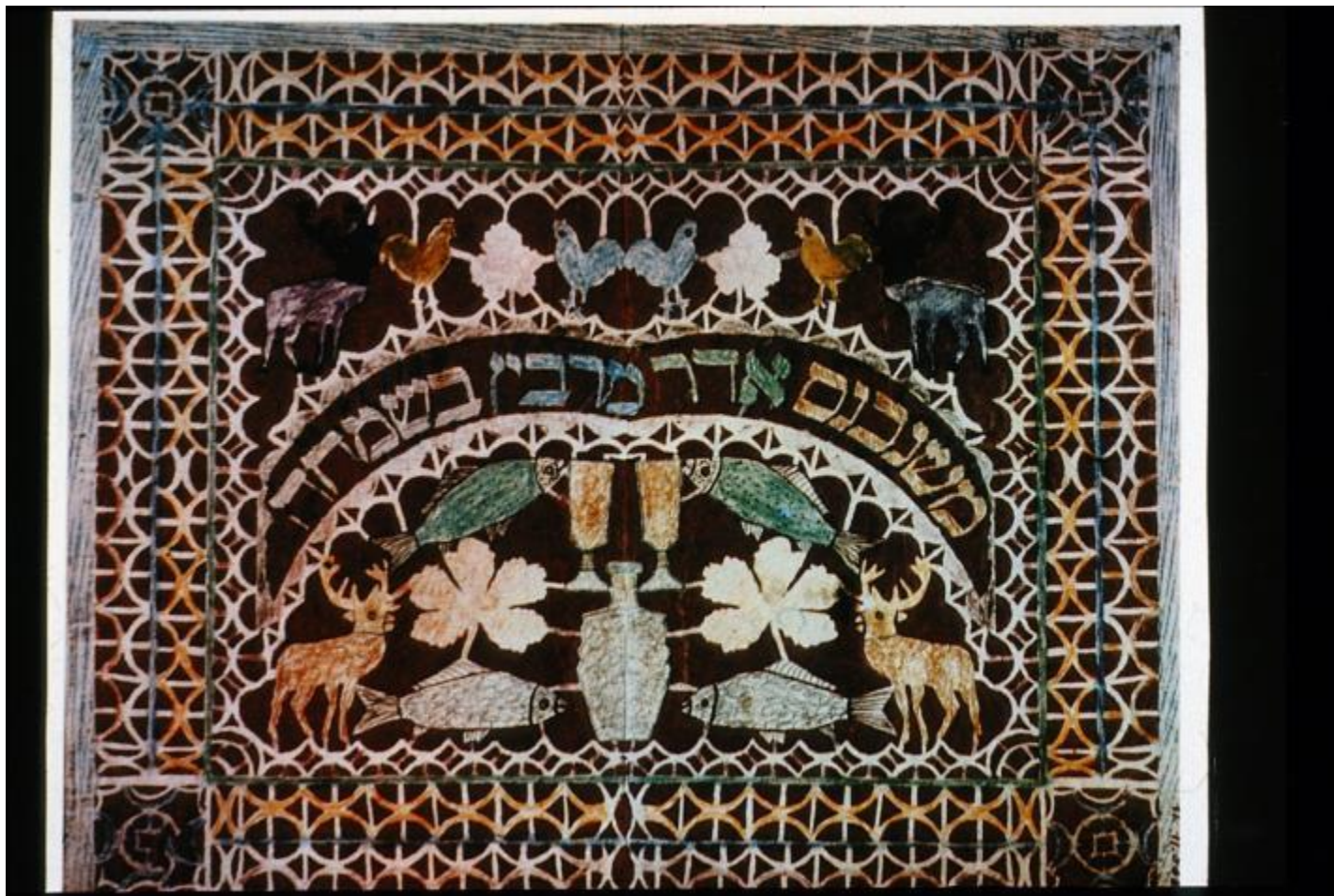


North Africa

Mizrah / East Wall Marker



Eastern Europe Purim



Italy Shiviti



Eastern Europe Memorial Plaque



Eastern Europe Learning Society Plaque



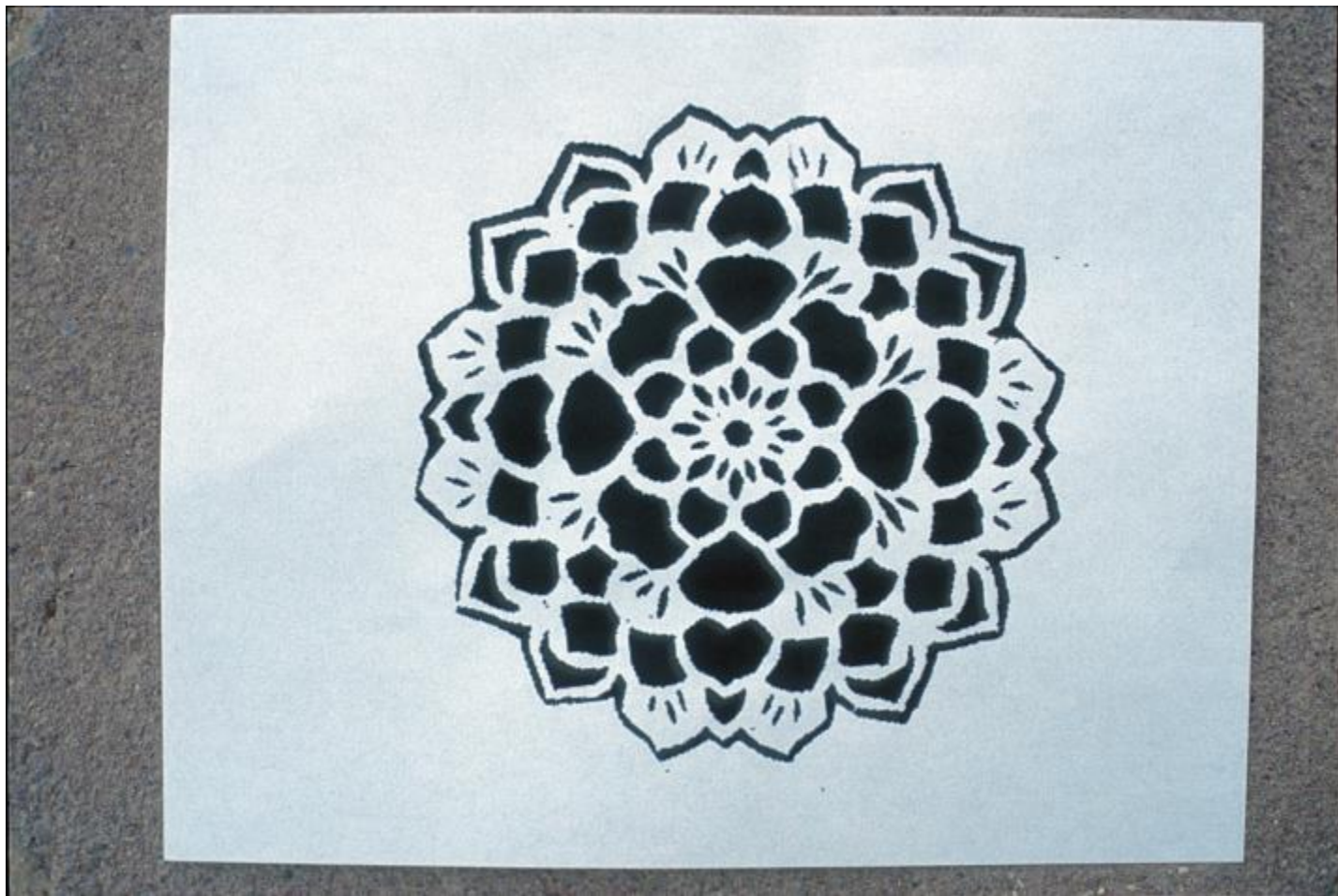
Eastern Europe Amulet



Traditional Jewish Papercut: Eastern Europe Omer Counter



Eastern Europe Roisele



Illustrated Hebrew Alphabet



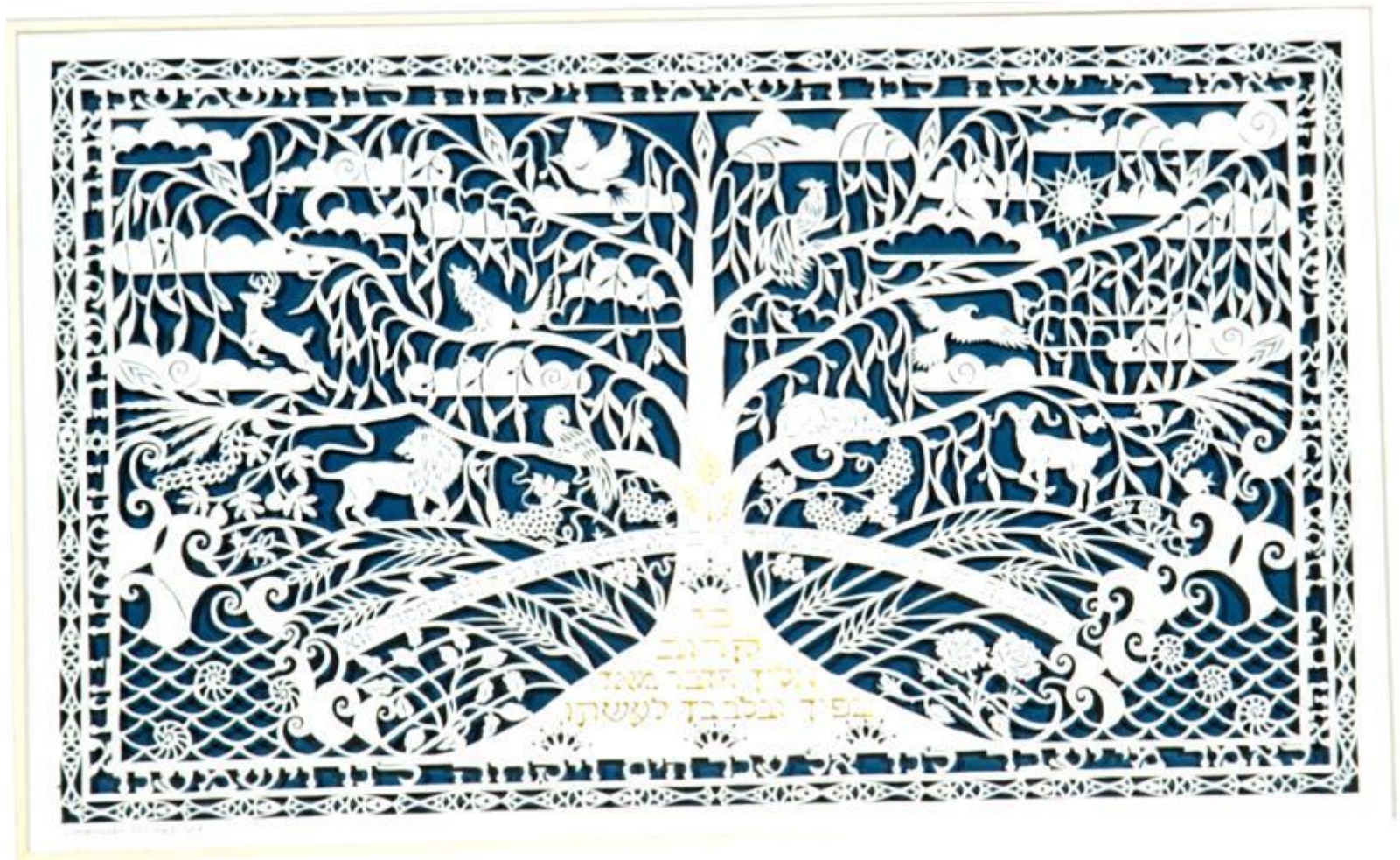
Hebrew Calendar



Whoever saves one life
saves the whole world.



Tree of Life

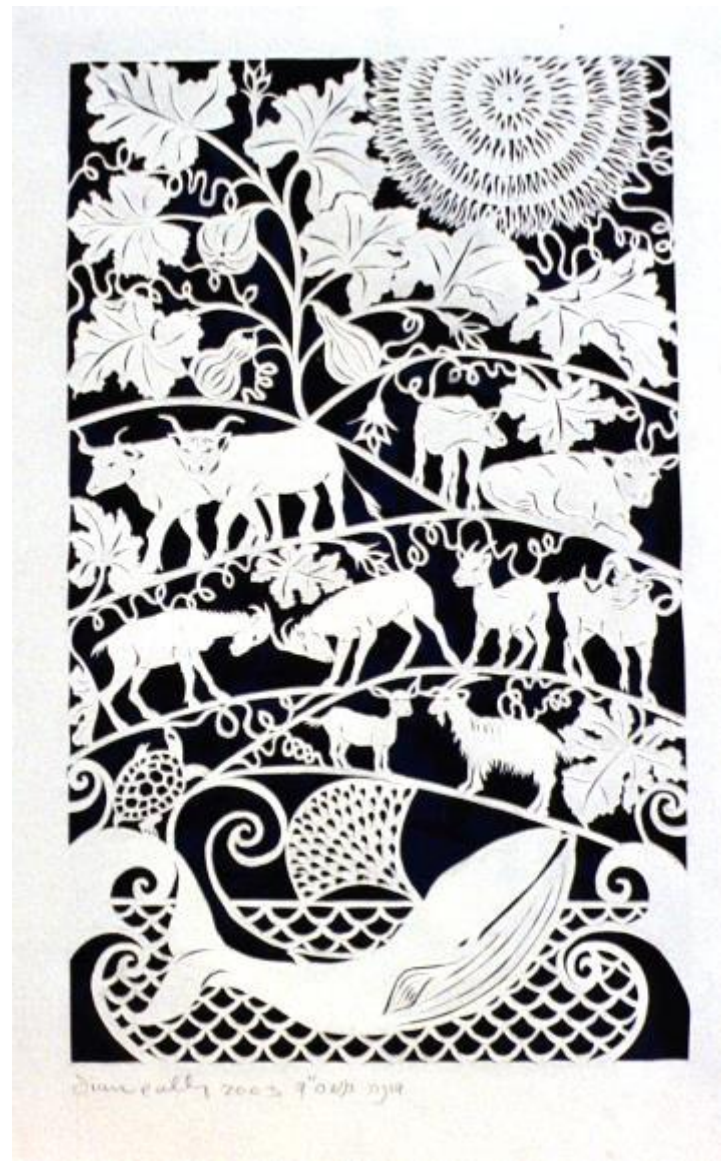


High Holiday Prayer:

“Show us righteousness and kindness.”



Book of Jonah



Sefirot Tree of Life

from *Tales of the Zohar*, Aryeh Wineman



Illustration of Sefirah Hod Splendor



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Torah Cover



Mizrah

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Congregation Kerem Shalom Concord MA



Temple Shalom, Newton MA



Shaarei Tefilah, Newton MA



Sandblasted windows, Summit NJ



Temple Sinai, Summit, NJ



Ner Tamid (Eternal Light)

Nahalat Shalom, Albuquerque NM



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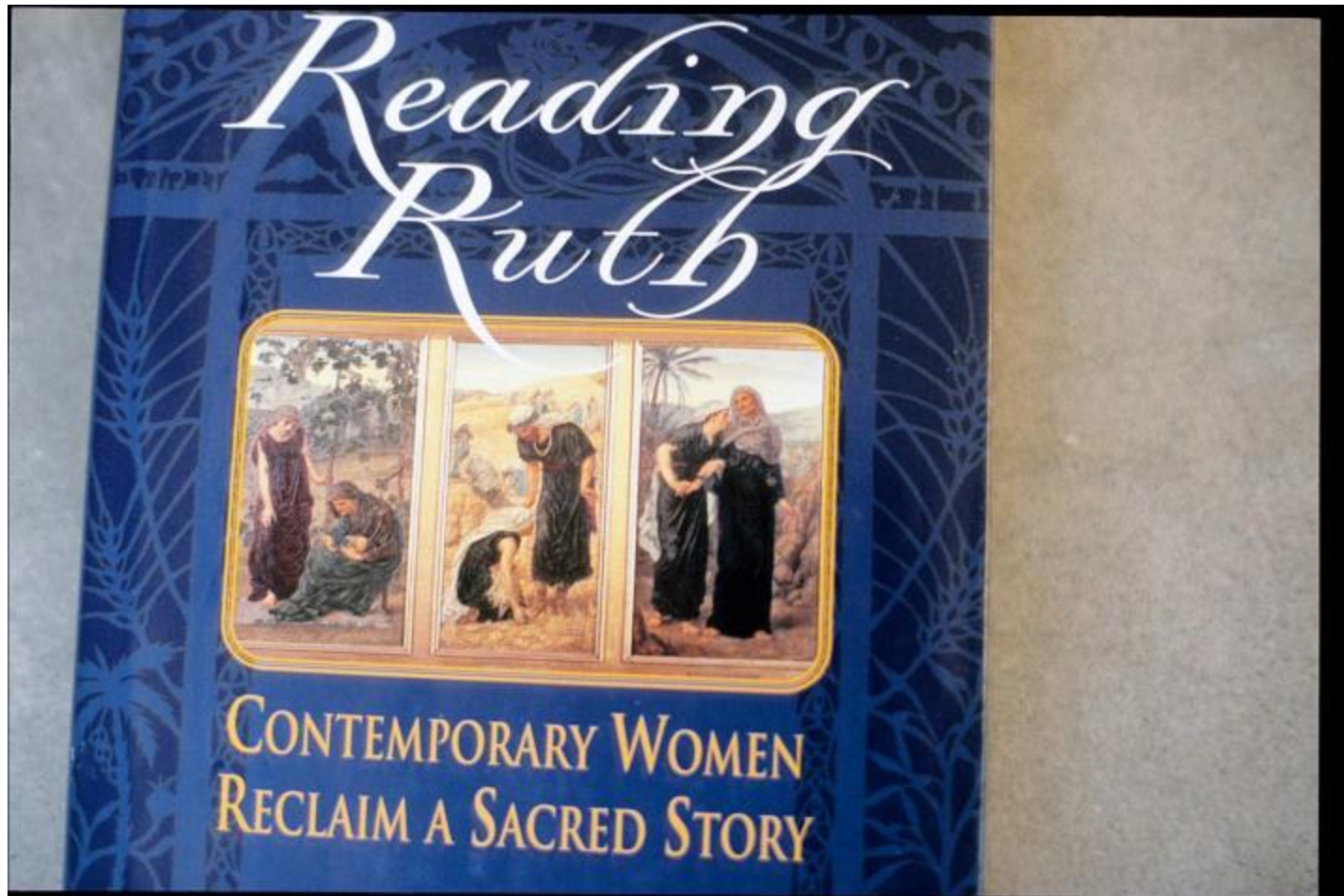
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Road to North Carolina



Woman's Blessing



Reading Ruth

Your people shall be my people.



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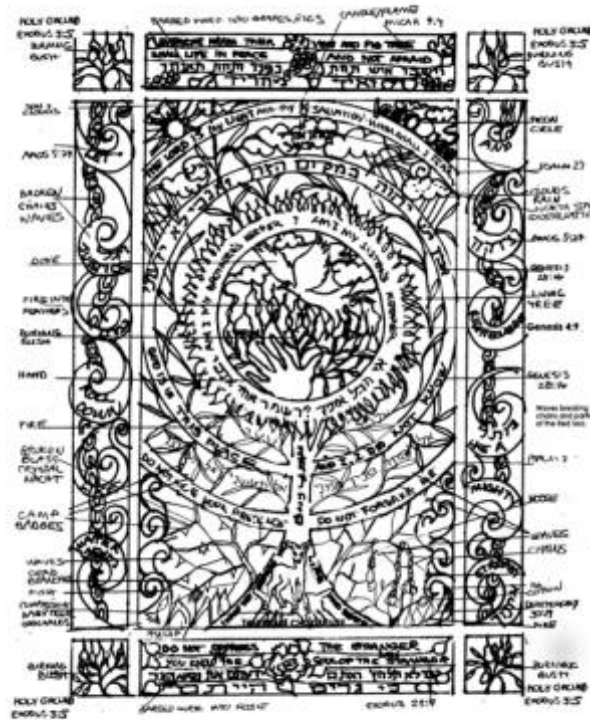
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Sketches to final image



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Tree of Life

Genesis 4:9

Psalm 27:1

Genesis 28:16

Micah 6:8



Neighbor and Stranger

Leviticus 19:18 / Micah 4:4

Exodus 23:9 / Bread and Roses



Justice and Righteousness Amos 5:24



Burning Bush



- Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, who lost most his family in the Holocaust and who linked arms with Martin Luther King in Selma on March 21, 1965, said: “The question about Auschwitz is not where was God, but where was man.” In this piece, the questions are about the choices we make, about the absence or presence of our own recognition of holiness, about our own actions, compassion, and courage.