About the Artist

Since 1979, Mordechai Rosenstein started creating Jewish Art and putting it up in people's homes, synagogues, and agencies throughout the world. In addition, he had the opportunity to visit many different organizations and wanted to make sure that the walls of office buildings are covered with Jewish Art.

From his studio in his home in Elkins Park, Pennsylvania, Mordechai creates myriad of pieces utilizing vibrant colors and flowing lines that transform the art of Hebrew calligraphy into a modern day feast for the eyes.

His unique style evolved as a result of various influences. He was a member of the first graduating class of Akiba Hebrew Academy. While studying at The Philadelphia College of Art, Abstract Expressionist professor Franz Kline profoundly influenced Rosenstein. By uniting his interest in Judaica and painting, Rosenstein has given a contemporary meaning to the art of Hebrew calligraphy.

Mordechai feels that "It is very stimulating and rewarding to interact with members and communities throughout the country and develop a rapport with them. He has traveled throughout the country and internationally where synagogues and conventions have exhibited Rosentstein's works.

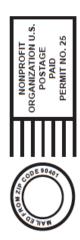
Betzalel JAWS: Jewish Arts workshop Series

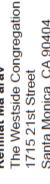
Shortly after the exodus, God announces his intention to have a sanctuary built for him, "that I may dwell among them . . . (in a) tabernacle [mishkan]" (Exod 25:8–9). The actual construction of the Mishkan, was assigned to a chosen man, Bezalel, the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah.

Inspired by Betzalel, JAWS was created to express and explore Judaism through the arts-culinary, visual, and performing arts.

We know that for some, especially children, art is a direct and primary way to transmit, and to experience our rich culture.

In so, we endeavor to invoke ruach elohim, that we may enrich our lives by connecting, serving and celebrating God, our heritage and community.











Mark your calendar...

Kehillat Ma'arav is welcoming our first ever artist in residence

Mordechai Rosenstein



Call the Kehillat Ma'arav office to RSVP by

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

for these events and to purchase your tickets today! 310-829-0566

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Wed, January 17

Gallery Opening

7pm- 9pm Mix and Mingle as we welcome Mordechai to the KM Community. We'll watch as he begins an original art piece just for us!

Thur, Journary 18 Families & Children: Pizza & Paint

4pm-6pm Families and children get to be creative with inspiration from Mordechai.

Members no charge; non-members \$10

Tri, January 19

Shabbat Pot-Luck Dinner

6:30pm

Meet Mordechai and view the original painting as we celebrate Shabbat with dinner and services.

Soit. January 20

Shabbat in "3-D"

9:30am

Daven 'Drash and Dine with Mordechai and our community on Shabbat.

Pinot & Paint

7:30pm

Open to the entire community. Drinks, food, create an original painting with Mordechai. \$20 per person

Sun, January 21

Gallery Closing

10am - 11am Artist Presentation

