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## THE GOLDEN AGE SHLOMO KATZ

Curated by Matthew Garson

## Roe Green Gallery

Jewish Federation of Cleveland Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Building 25701 Science Park Drive, Cleveland

Now through August 26, 2025

## OPEN HOUSES + CURATOR TALKS

The gallery is open on the following dates or by appointment. Curator talks on Sundays at 1:30 pm and on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

Sunday, May 4 @ 1-3 pm Tuesday, May 20 @ 6-8 pm Sunday, June 8 @ 1-3 pm Tuesday, June 24 @ 6-8 pm Sunday, July 13 @ 1-3 pm Sunday, August 10 @ 1-3 pm Sunday, August 24 @ 1-3 pm



## **ABOUT THE ARTIST**



Born in Łódź, Poland in 1937, **Shlomo Katz** immigrated to the British Mandate of Palestine when he was just 8 years old. Educated in Kibbutz Mishmar Ha`emek, his talent for drawing was apparent from the very beginning. As a young man he went to Paris where he studied art at the École des Beaux-Arts.

Inspired by medieval icons and oriental miniatures, Katz developed an original technique of painting by applying oil on top of gold leaf. The result was a combination of deep vibrant colors combined with a metallic surface that glowed, forming a totally new modern image filled with light. There are three of these paintings in the upcoming exhibition.

Katz then translated this technique onto paper, using metallic gold inks to create screenprints which, at the time, became the ultimate in modern printmaking. He produced several limited-edition portfolios using this process, including the three featured in this exhibition: The Passover Portfshosolio (1983;) The Four Seasons Portfolio (1985;) and The Mythology Portfolio (1985.)

"The Golden Age" is the first exhibition of Katz's work since his death in March 1992 in Holon, Israel.

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