

# Museums & Heritage Arts Award

## Discover

### Museum info form

## Jewish Museum London

### Location

Jewish Museum, Raymond Burton House, 129-131 Albert Street, London, NW1 7NB

### Website

<http://www.jewishmuseum.org.uk/>

### Art forms

- Drama
- Drawing
- Painting
- Ceramics
- Curation
- Interpretation

### Museum info

Our Mission is to surprise, delight and engage all people, irrespective of background or faith, in the history, identity and culture of Jews in Britain: by inspiring discovery, provoking questions and encouraging understanding.

Our Vision is of a world where cultural diversity and the contribution of minority communities are explored, valued and celebrated, for the enrichment of society as a whole.

## Arts Award Discover Programme

### Name and theme of programme

*Discovering Judaism*

### Programme outline

Judaism Gallery: <http://www.jewishmuseum.org.uk/religious-life-new>

We have one of the world's finest collections of Judaica, featuring objects used in all areas of Jewish religious life, in both the public and private spheres. In addition to ceremonial art made in Britain over the past 300 years, we also display objects originating in communities throughout Europe as well as the Middle East and north Africa.

A significant part of our synagogue art collection includes silver Torah decorations such as scroll cases, rimmonim (finials), breastplates and pointers, which emphasise the exquisite quality of English and European silver.

Our collection of ceremonial objects used in the private sphere includes those used by Jewish individuals and families in everyday life, in lifecycle ceremonies and during the Sabbath and festivals. Significant festival-related pieces include our range of Hanukah lamps and Scrolls of Esther for Purim.

### Activities

Students look at various objects in the workshops available on the Discovering Judaism programme; painting, silver work, textiles, product design, and furniture design.

The workshops include facilitated sessions with Museum Educators and independent time in the Museum Galleries.

### Objects to look out for

Please see additional resources: <http://www.jewishmuseum.org.uk/Learning>