#### THE ARTISTIC CONCEPT:

The great forests of Europe often feature in the dark and frightening tales of our youth. But with this creation, I sought to tell a rare story of hope in the forest. Like upright trees against the howling wind, these heroes withstood the violent tempest of that age.

In a time when the image of man had become obscured and blemished, they were a model for humanity. In a time of sparse goodness, they were the good. They gave hope when there was no hope, and were willing to help while risking their careers, and even their lives. They acted beyond their duty, and withstood the most terrible storm.

#### **ABOUT THE ARTIST:**

Zehava Benjamin is an Israeli artist, a graduate of the Zionist Youth Farm in wood carving, and of the Midrasha Beit Berl College. Among her artistic teachers are Rafi Lavie, Ran Shachori, Yair Garbuz and Yosef Shaltiel.

She has designed silver jewelry for H. Stern and her artwork, Dove of Peace, has been presented at many state ceremonies.

In 2017, she was appointed by the Governor of the Bank of Israel, Dr. Karnit Flug, as a member of the Committee for the Planning of Banknotes and Coins of the Bank of Israel.

Her works are presented in over one thousand synagogues and public buildings in Israel and around the world.



## BEYOND DUTY

DEDICATION CEREMONY FEBRUARY 5, 2018 20 SHVAT 5778

Diplomats Recognized as Righteous Among the Nations



# DIPLOMATS RECOGNIZED AS RIGHTEOUS AMONG THE NATIONS: DEDICATION OF THE ISRAEL FOREIGN MINISTRY TRIBUTE SITE

The Tribute Site, located at the main entrance of the Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs, honors the 36 diplomats recognized by Yad Vashem as Righteous Among the Nations.

The site commemorates their exemplary actions to save Jews, in the period preceding and during the Second World War, contrary to orders from home base and often at great personal risk.

#### DEDICATION CEREMONY

#### Remarks by:

Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Israel

Mr. Benjamin Netanyahu

Chairman of the Yad Vashem Directorate

Mr. Avner Shalev

Representative of the Diplomatic Corps
Ambassador of Sweden
H.E. Ambassador Magnus Hellgren

Representative of the Saved Families

Mrs. Nina Admoni

The dedication will be followed by the presentation of the MFA exhibition of the MFA exhibition.

### THE TEXT OF THE DEDICATION PLAQUE READS:

In tribute to the diplomats of the world recognized as Righteous Among the Nations, who in the years 1939–1945, in a time of supreme moral testing and in the darkest hours of the Jewish people, acted by the dictate of their conscience without regard for personal and professional consequence. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Israel is eternally grateful and will forever salute their courage and moral example.

Dedicated by the Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Benjamin Netanyahu

#### THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF ISRAEL IS ETERNALLY GRATEFUL AND WILL FOREVER SALUTE THEIR COURAGE AND MORAL EXAMPLE.

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Hamburg

Luiz Martins de Souza Dantas,

Ambassador Paris

CHILE

Samuel del Campo, Chargè d'Affaires

Bucharest

Ho Feng Shan, Consul General

Vienna

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

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First Secretary & Acting Consul

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