

Skateboard Decks

Using the skateboard deck as a canvas, New York City artist, Steve Marcus' exhibition, *From the Old Country to the Plains, Kosher Pop. SK8 Art* includes new designs he created especially for The Sherwin Miller Museum of Jewish Art in Tulsa, Oklahoma and seamlessly incorporates them into the existing collection of the successful and well received exhibition, *Jewish Quarter Pipe, Kosher Pop Sk8 Art* exhibited at the Galicia Jewish Museum in Krakow, Poland in 2023-2024. His exhibition in Krakow was selected as one of the three best Jewish themed exhibitions in Europe by the association of European Jewish Museums in 2023. His unique style, inspired by cartoons and underground comics explores the themes of tradition, spirituality and local Jewish history in a fun and refreshingly accessible approach to contemporary Jewish art that is masterfully showcased on whimsical and thought-provoking skateboard decks.

Wood Carvings

The Jewish Museum of Florida - FIU exhibited the works by internationally acclaimed artist Steve Marcus, titled *Through the Hat: The Art of Steve Marcus* in 2019. Steve Marcus' creative contributions have spanned multiple mediums and he has been a consistent trailblazer in both popular and underground cultures. *Through the Hat* included more than 26 wood-carved sculptures and Jewish ritual objects, more than a baker's dozen hand-drawn works of art on paper, and custom synagogue furniture. Marcus seamlessly weaves his Proustian childhood memories of bagels and bialys, pickles and green tomatoes from the barrel, and paper-wrapped whitefish chubs with his personal journey and passion for his own roots and culture. In *Through the Hat*, Marcus has created a folk/cartoon world that is the Kosher cousin of those created by artists Alexander Calder and Red Grooms, if seen through the prism of comics. His beautifully crafted renditions of Jewish life in New York City celebrate a culture of orthodoxy and unorthodoxy in all their splendor. These 3 examples of his wood carvings are some of his personal favorites.