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## Dynamic Exhibition of Contemporary Israeli Art Addresses Complexities of Geography, Culture, Identity, History

Roanoke, Va. (Sept. 4, 2019) – The Taubman Museum of Art is pleased to announce *Visions of Place: Complex Geographies in Contemporary Israeli Art*, a powerful exhibition offering a unique glimpse into the terrain and culture of contemporary Israel. *Visions of Place* will be on view March 6-June 27, 2021, and is free and open to the public.

*Visions of Place: Complex Geographies in Contemporary Israeli Art* explores the poignant impact of place in Israeli life, as seen through the penetrating eyes of some of the country's most prominent contemporary artists.

Featuring approximately 50 photographic, video, painted, and mixed media works by 34 Israeli artists (including Sigalit Landau, Miki Kratsman, Pavel Wolberg, Asad Azi, Adi Nes, and Guy Ben-Ner, among others), the exhibition illuminates intertwining views of history, place and identity in Israeli culture. While the majority of the artists are Jewish, others are Muslim, Christian and Druze, reflecting the diverse mosaic of peoples that populate the country.

Geography—in all its physical, personal, religious, political and historical manifestations—remains an inescapable part of Israeli life. While focusing specifically on Israel, the themes addressed in the exhibition also have wide interest and applicability in the broader modern world. A powerful and engaging exhibition, *Visions of Place* demonstrates the richness, complexity and diversity of current artistic practices in Israel, catalyzing a dialogue on important issues raised by the resonant visions of some of Israel's finest contemporary artists.

The exhibition has been on view at the Center for the Arts Gallery at Towson University, Towson, Md., the Stedman Gallery at Rutgers University-Camden, Camden, N.J., the Susquehanna Art Museum, Harrisburg, Pa., and the Lowe Art Museum, Miami, Fl. In addition to the Taubman Museum of Art, the exhibit is also scheduled to be on view at the Plattsburgh State Art Museum, Plattsburg, N.Y. (Sept. 3-Dec. 3, 2019).

*Visions of Place: Complex Geographies in Contemporary Israeli Art* was organized by the Rutgers-Camden Center for the Arts and the Towson University Department of Art + Design, Art History, Art Education Galleries, and is toured by International Arts & Artists, Washington, D.C.

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### About International Arts & Artists

International Arts & Artists in Washington, D.C., is a non-profit arts service organization dedicated to increasing cross-cultural understanding and exposure to the arts internationally, through exhibitions, programs and services to artists, arts institutions and the public. Visit [www.artsandartists.org](http://www.artsandartists.org).

### About the Taubman Museum of Art

The Taubman Museum of Art is an American art museum located in the heart of downtown Roanoke, Va. Designed by noted architect Randall Stout and accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, the Taubman Museum of Art is home to a highly respected permanent collection and offers 15-20 annual exhibitions showcasing work by global, national and regional artists. Museum hours are Wednesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 12-5 p.m. Additional hours include every First Friday when the Museum is open until 9 p.m. Free daily general admission is sponsored in part by Appalachian Power. For additional information, visit [TaubmanMuseum.org](http://TaubmanMuseum.org) or call 540.342.5760.

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