

# The Delineated Jew – In the Land of Canaan. Exhibition of Biblical Prints from the Wandering Museum Collection

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**Temporary Exhibition Gallery (2nd floor)**

After the destruction of the Temple (70 c.e.) and the defeat of Bar Kochba revolt, Palestine ceased to play the principal role in Jewish history for quite a while. But this point on the map never ceased to attract the attention of the entire world, with astonishing force. And thus, for example, from the early Modern Era onward, the fate of Canaan (The Promised Land) and its inhabitants, the non-existent Jewish State and the history of the Chosen People became an important focus of graphic depictions, appearing with increasing frequency. These and other Old-Testament-themed prints are the legacy of all of humanity. They allow our audiences to understand that the history of Ancient Israel, recorded in the Book for Jews and for Christians both, is more than mythology was for the Greeks. The maps, city plans, family trees, and Jews documented as judges, prophets, great leaders, kings, and soldiers demonstrate the substantial contribution of Jewish thought to our civilization. Certainly no other museum in Poland holds such an extensive collection on the subject, though some of our prints can also be viewed in some of the world's greatest museums, such as the British Museum or the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The exhibition presents is comprised of Bible-themed prints, crême de crême of the Wandering Museum collection. Etchings, engravings, mezzotints and steel engravings dating between the 15th-18th centuries. Portraits, figurative re-presentations, maps and city plans, panoramas and architectural objects. Depicted by some of the old masters of European art – Adriaen van Ostade, Audran, Boydell, Le Brun, Calmet, Coypel, He-emskerk, Luyken, Poussin, Rembrandt, Ribera, Rubens, Sadeler, Schedel, Surugue, van der Werff and Wierix among others.

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Opening hours:

Monday – Saturday: **10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

Sunday: **11 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**Free entry** – on the basis of a ticket to the **Castle Route** or a **free admission ticket** issued at the **Ticket Office** (for those who want to visit only the exhibition).