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Museum to exhibit Surrealist masters

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The Cincinnati Art Museum will be the sole U.S. venue for an exhibition that features works by the greatest masters of Dada and Surrealist art, including Picasso, Salvador Dalí, Marcel Duchamp, Max Ernst, René Magritte and Joan Miró.

"Surrealism and Beyond: In the Israel Museum," will run from Feb. 15 to May 17 and showcase more than 200 works. The exhibition will survey Surrealist art from its roots in the beginnings of the Dada movement in 1916 through recent manifestations.

"These are very exciting works drawn from one of the finest collections of Surrealist art in the world," said Art Museum director Aaron Betsky. "Surrealism and Beyond will present exceptional works known across the world by such noted artists as Dalí, Magritte, Miró and Picasso, as well as significant pieces by lesser known artists such as Paul Delvaux, and André Masson."

The exhibition is culled from the more than 1,200 works in the Dada and Surrealist holdings of the Israel Museum, Jerusalem.

Curated by Adina Kamien-Kazhdan, David Rockefeller Curator of Modern Art at the Israel Museum, and at the Cincinnati Art Museum by Benedict Leca, Curator of European Painting, Sculpture and Drawings, Surrealism and Beyond is organized in five themes: Marvelous Juxtapositions, Automatism and Its Evolution, Biomorphism and Metamorphosis, Illusion and Dreamscape, and Desire.

Surrealism and Beyond is organized by the Israel Museum, Jerusalem and is supported by an indemnity from the Federal Council on the Arts and Humanities. The exhibition is sponsored by Macy's, The Rhonda and Larry A. Sheakley Family Foundation, and William and Susan Friedlander. Additional support provided by Stan Kaplan, Rhoda and Manny Mayerson, Ronnie and John Shore, Murray Sinclair, and Alice and Harris Weston.

More information on the exhibition, including ticket prices, details on special lectures, gala information, and much more can be found by going to <http://www.cincinnatiartmuseum.org/absolutenm/templates/ArtTempExhibitions.aspx?articleid=823&zoneid=66> "target="_blank">the exhibition's web page.
