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### Certificate of Authenticity (COA) - A Shanghai Mint









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## Certificate of Authenticity (COA) -B

## Nanjing University - Scroll

I am Sara, a Jewish girl from Europe.

In the 1930s my future was shadowed by the rise of the Nazis. My family and I were forced to abandon our happy lives and beautiful home to escape the Shoah. A ship called SS Conte Biancamano -- a true Noah's ark -- took us on to new lives at the Bund of Shanghai, an international city filled with multinational architectural designs and diverse people.

When my family arrived, we were warmly greeted by our Chinese neighbors. However, the establishment of "Designated Area for Stateless Refugees" known today as the "Hongkew Ghetto" in 1943, filled our lives with hardship and dismay.

One stormy afternoon, when I got lost, wandering through the rain-swept, narrow streets, with my dog and panda toy, a kind Chinese lady befriended me by holding an umbrella over my head to protect me from the rain and wind. The warmth of her gesture in this dark moment was like the bright rays of light emitting from a holiday menorah. I, therefore, became a witness to history and live today to tell the tale 70 years later.

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上世纪30年代末,纳粹的阴云密布,或和爱人不得不逃离熟悉的爱国,乘 坐 SS Conte Biancamano号邮轮(像诺亚方舟似的),额浡流高到东方一座陌生的城 第一上海,河南发掘外上的城市、在南沙之北京公路内、施心的中南部市 希腊、海沙亚州市的城市、港州、1033年在初口设立的"上海之南南省北南省 区",今成如北人大场上走场的塘港。 一个《同取社的传播、或过路的港、厂及普鲁小场、起看心主的的螺纹尽 冰看明、在一条条块字的不在门景景里等我自己的爱、强烈闹、头上的同分桥 市了、原来是一位美国市最初中国市场、大上的同分桥 成仿佛见到了一盖送来光明的独合。正图如此,成成为了70年后,能为历史作证的幸存意! 南京大学 徐新教校

etween 1937 and 1940, approximately 20,000 Jewish refugees escaping the rise of the Nazis and WWII fled to Shanghai. These refugees were welcomed by their new Chinese neighbors even though conditions were very poor. On February 18, 1943 under pressure from Nazi Germany, the Japanese authorities created the "Designated Area for Stateless Refugees" in Shanghai known today as the "Hongkew Ghetto." Jewish refugees were forced to move into this 2.8 square kilometer area which was already densely populated by the poorest of the Chinese. The hardships were tough but the kindness and support by the Chinese to their new Jewish refugee neighbors made the chances of survival much more possible. This is an important piece of history that should continue to be recognized.

#### Certificate of Authenticity (COA) -C Box



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A wooden box with inset glass is used to symbolize the "Night of Broken Glass" (Kristallnacht). This refers to the November 9th 1938 large scale anti-Semetic incident which occurred in both Germany and Austria. This event is believed to mark the escalation of persecution of the Jewish people by the Nazi regime. On November 9th, 1938 using the pretext that a German diplomat stationed in France was murdered by a Jewish youth, Hitler mobilized his followers throughout all of Germany and Austria to carry out violent retaliations against the

The slanted certificate scroll inside the box takes the form of the holy scroll found on the doorposts of Jewish people who developed the custom in accordance with the book of Deuteronomy which states: God's commandments "Shall be inscribed upon the door posts of your house and on your gates." The word mezuzah derives from the ancient Hebrew word "door frame." According to Jewish tradition, a piece of long rectangular parchment is inscribed with two paragraphs of Hebrew verses from the book of Deuteronomy. After the parchment is blessed the scroll is placed inside a metal, wood, or glass casing and placed slantways on the right side door frame of the house. Jews believe that the spiritual power of the scroll can both One Piece, spel evil and provide protection.

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