

## **Fish and Wish**

Who is not familiar with the old fairytale of the fisherman and the golden fish? The fisherman releases the fish back into the water and asks for nothing in return. But his wife, who lives with him in a poor hut with a broken water trough, wants a new trough. Then, after that she wants a new hut, and after that, a palace, and thus she just asks for more and more and more, and, in the end, she dares to wish to control the world. Naturally, she is punished for her greed: her wishes and her ambitions, and everything is taken from her. Oops – back to the hut.

I want to give every woman her own wishing fish and the freedom to wish.

In order to foster community creativity, I contacted knitters and lovers of creative crafts using social media, and invited them to create a handmade golden fish and then make a wish on it.

In 2019 the work was shown at Bar David Museum in Kibbutz Baram, curated by Meital Klemnick.

At the initiative of Prof. Noa Shenkar, the Library of Life Sciences & Medicine, the Faculty of Life Sciences, the Faculty of Medical & Health Sciences, and under the sponsorship of the Commission for Equality, Diversity & Community, men and women from the academic world, students and lovers of handcrafts met in 2024 to enlarge our shoal of fish and express the new wishes that we all now long for.

You are invited to scan the code, and listen to the wishes.

In the hope of good news and days of peace and quiet.

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