



Friends of Yemin Orde

## NEW ROSH HASHANAH GREETING CARDS SHOWCASE PAINTINGS BY 17-YEAR-OLD YOUTH AT YEMIN ORDE YOUTH VILLAGE IN ISRAEL

*The artist, Ethan Amram, moved to Israel from France as a youth and struggled in school with language difficulties and isolation. He arrived at Yemin Orde when he was 14 and through the Village's art program and supportive community, Ethan developed self-confidence and learned to express himself artistically.*

Friends of Yemin Orde announces the sale of its 2016 Jewish new year greeting cards, which can be shipped to buyers well before the holiday in order to send to friends and family. When you order Jewish new year's cards from Friends of Yemin Orde, you are supporting Israel's at-risk and immigrant youth and helping to spread the word about its important mission to others in the community. Orders can be placed on our secure website at <http://bit.ly/2bchOG8> or email <mailto:cards@yeminorde.org>. Friends of Yemin Orde is the U.S. fundraising arm of Yemin Orde Youth Village and Village Way Educational Initiatives.



The cards are \$36 for a pack of 12 cards and 12 envelopes, **including shipping**. The inside of all cards reads: "Warm wishes to you and your loved ones for a sweet and joyous New Year" with L'shana Tovah in Hebrew and English. There is plenty of space left inside to write a personal message. Proceeds from the card sales will support the at-risk and immigrant at-risk youth at the Village and its Village Way partner educational communities in Israel.

### **About the young artist**

This year's card features three paintings by Ethan Amram, 17, a French-speaking youth at Yemin Orde Youth Village. In 2007, Ethan and his family moved to Israel from France. He struggled with self-esteem, felt isolated in Israel's public school system and spent his classroom time drawing instead of listening and learning. In 2014, Ethan arrived at Yemin Orde where the Village's art program provided him with a powerful and therapeutic form of self-expression. He grew confident as a student and an artist and, today, his work is featured in art galleries in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and at Yemin Orde.



**About Yemin Orde Youth Village and Village Way Educational Initiatives**

*Friends of Yemin Orde is the U.S. fundraising arm of Yemin Orde Youth Village and Village Way Educational Initiatives (VWEI). The Village is home, school and safe haven to more than 400 at-risk and immigrant youth from around the world. Many of Yemin Orde's youth have suffered trauma. With the devotion of a specially-trained and diverse staff, its at-risk youth develop self-esteem, leadership skills and embrace hope for a future as productive citizens of Israel. VWEI was created to extend Yemin Orde's successful educational methodology, called the Village Way, to other youth villages and public high schools in Israel. Today, VWEI has partnered with 26 educational communities in Israel. The goal is to partner with an additional 30 schools and communities by 2020. Visit [www.yeminorde.org](http://www.yeminorde.org) for more information or email [info@yeminorde.org](mailto:info@yeminorde.org). ###*