

	<p>Object: Crown for Torah scroll</p> <p>Museum: Національний музей історії України вулиця Володимирська, 2 01001 Київ +380442784864 history_museum@nmiu.org</p> <p>Collection: Скарбниця НМІУ, Пам'ятки ювелірного мистецтва 15-21 ст. в Україні</p> <p>Inventory number: ДМ-2291</p>
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## Description

The first mention of the crown as an ornament of the Torah scroll dates back to the 10th century. The tradition of crowning scrolls has been widespread among many Jewish communities since the 17th century, especially in the countries of Central Europe and Italy. In the 19th century, Zhytomyr became one of the centers of Jewish cultural life in Europe. Zhytomyr craftsmen created a unique type of crown for the Torah scroll. This is a massive three-tiered crown, the lower and upper tiers of which are formed by crowns, and the middle one by sculptural figures of lions. A sculptural image of a bird tops the crown. The decorative space is filled with a generous floral baroque ornament with bright juicy forms that create a festive, solemn mood. The presented crown to the Torah scroll is a vivid example of the Zhytomyr jewelry school and, of course, a unique donation-memorial item in the Judaica collection. The inscription in Hebrew "Dod, son of Yehoshua Halevi, thanks Krana, daughter of Iona Ginda", probably indicates that the crown was presented to the synagogue in honor of the wedding.

## Basic data

Material/Technique:	Silver, forging, chasing, engraving, casting, gilding
Measurements:	h 660, d 338 mm

## Events

Created	When	1875
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[Relationship to location]	Who	Берко Шимелійович Шлуклойтт та майстер з ініціалами «ИРБ»
	Where	Zhytomyr
	When	
	Who	
	Where	Ukraine

## Keywords

- Євреї
- Модерна доба