

## Marilyn Lande

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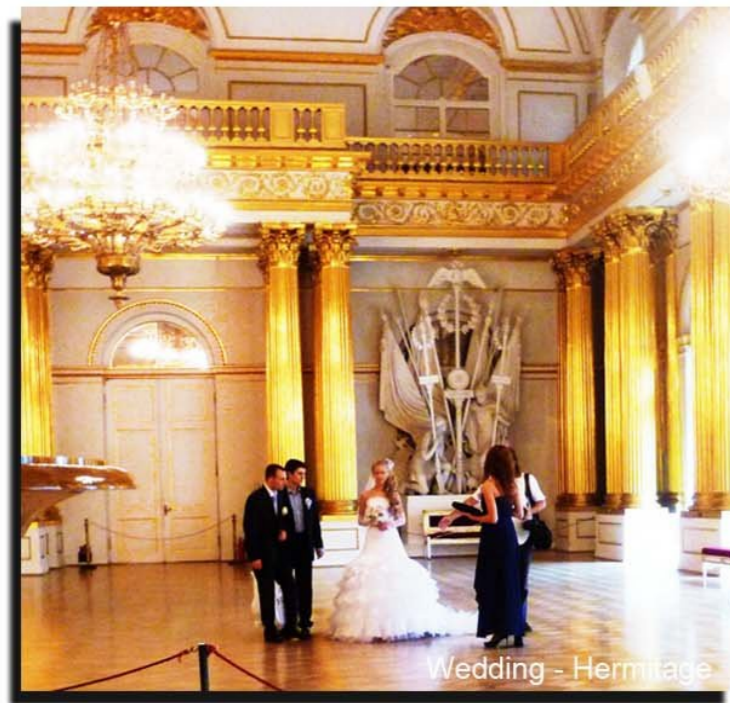
Marilyn Lande has been an artist and an active member of the Denver community as an educator and cultural arts specialist. She has lectured at several national conventions on art and education.

Her artist's book "The Haggadah Transcending Time" was given special recognition (2002) for the Art book Grant by the National Museum for Women in the Arts, Washington, D.C.

Her independent research project Marilyn Lande's Jewish Women Archive can be viewed at the Penrose Library of Denver University.  
<http://library.du.edu/About/collections/SpecialCollections/Lande/>



Hermitage Museum



Wedding - Hermitage



Helsinki - Love



Burko - Mother/Daughter



New Dome -Synagogue Berlin

Montage Mysteries - What Marvels Did I See?

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## Montage Mysteries

Poem & Photos  
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This book was created to tell the story of my travels. My husband and I traveled to France in 2011 and toured Provence by car. Later that year we adventured to the Baltic Sea and near-by countries on a cruise. The prose I have created and the very personal photomontage works are my responses to this travel experience.

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A truly special thanks to Harold Lande, my husband, companion and supporter of our unique travels!



*What is there to see?*

*Like a teenager I sit on the corner  
taking pictures  
uncovering layers  
of Jewish history  
of world history*

*Montage mysteries*

*I hope to see*

**IN PARIS**

*Soutine in L'Orangerie*

*Pissaro, Pascin in Musee D'Orsay*

*Nissim de Camando's estate home*

*A tribute for France*

*from his family*

*Betrayed in World War II*

*I held my breath*

*Next Page: (l) Nissim de Comando Estate (Gift to  
France: (r) Musee D'Orsay (insets Pissaro  
& Pascin) - Photomontage*



Isaac et Moïse de Camondo, k.c. 1867  
Donateurs to France





*"There he is"*

*I excitedly pointed  
Dreyfus standing perfectly  
forever strong  
forever in a courtyard  
St. Louis Hotel Memorial  
Now a Jewish Museum*

*I saw the past and present*

*Next Page: Courtyard Paris Jewish Museum*







*"For the Soul of France"*

*Jacqueline Morellet, granddaughter of  
Louis Clement Moras,  
grand defenseur of Dreyfus*

*I heard her story  
A story of compassion*

*And I was there*

*Next Page: Gare du Nord (Paris RR Station)  
Photomontage*





ATISSERIES





## IN PROVENCE

"Who lived here...how?"

"What mysteries of Jews in Ghettos?"

*Avignon, Le comtat Venaicin  
and the courts of the Pope*

*12th century  
synagogues redone as  
17th century rococo*

"Would I have prayed in that basement?"

"Would I have helped bake that bread?"

*I pondered*

*Next Page: Interior Avignon Synagogue, Center*

*Pope's Palace Garden, Cornerstones (l), Avignon*

*Exterior, (r), street leading to Synagogue*



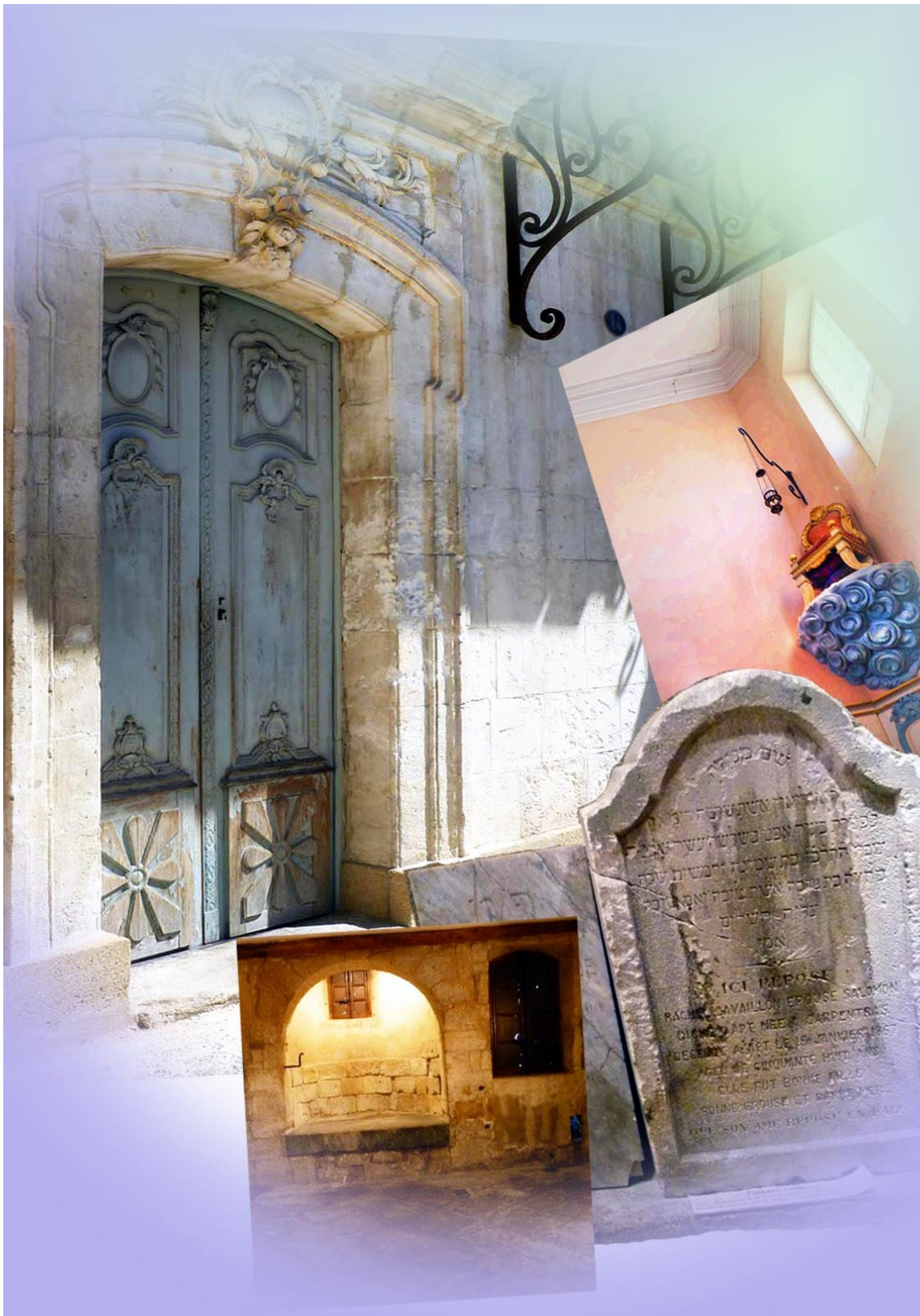


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## *Cavillon Synagogue*

*Elijah's Chair a wall hanging  
Memorial Stones and  
Bakeries unearthed*

## *Ghetto*

*And lives  
Remembered*

*I remember*

*This page: Photomontage Cavillon Synagogue,  
Elijah's Chair, Head stones, Basement  
Bakery & Women's Prayer Hall*

*Next page: Avignon Synagogue*







*"What's Jewish in St. Remy?"*

*Nostradamus*

*and old stories*

*Educated, Jewish and then*

*To belong or not*

*conversions*

*I wondered*

*Next Page: l to r - Nostradamus House &*

*National Register Logo, Road to St.Remy*







**ONTO NICE**

"What of Chagall and Nice?"  
Those Biblical paintings  
Yellows, blues, reds  
Loved by the French and me

"We found it"  
To lay a stone  
at the feet of  
Lover of Vitebsk past  
and the colors  
and of Passover wine

And I smiled

Next Page: Interior Chagall Museum, Nice





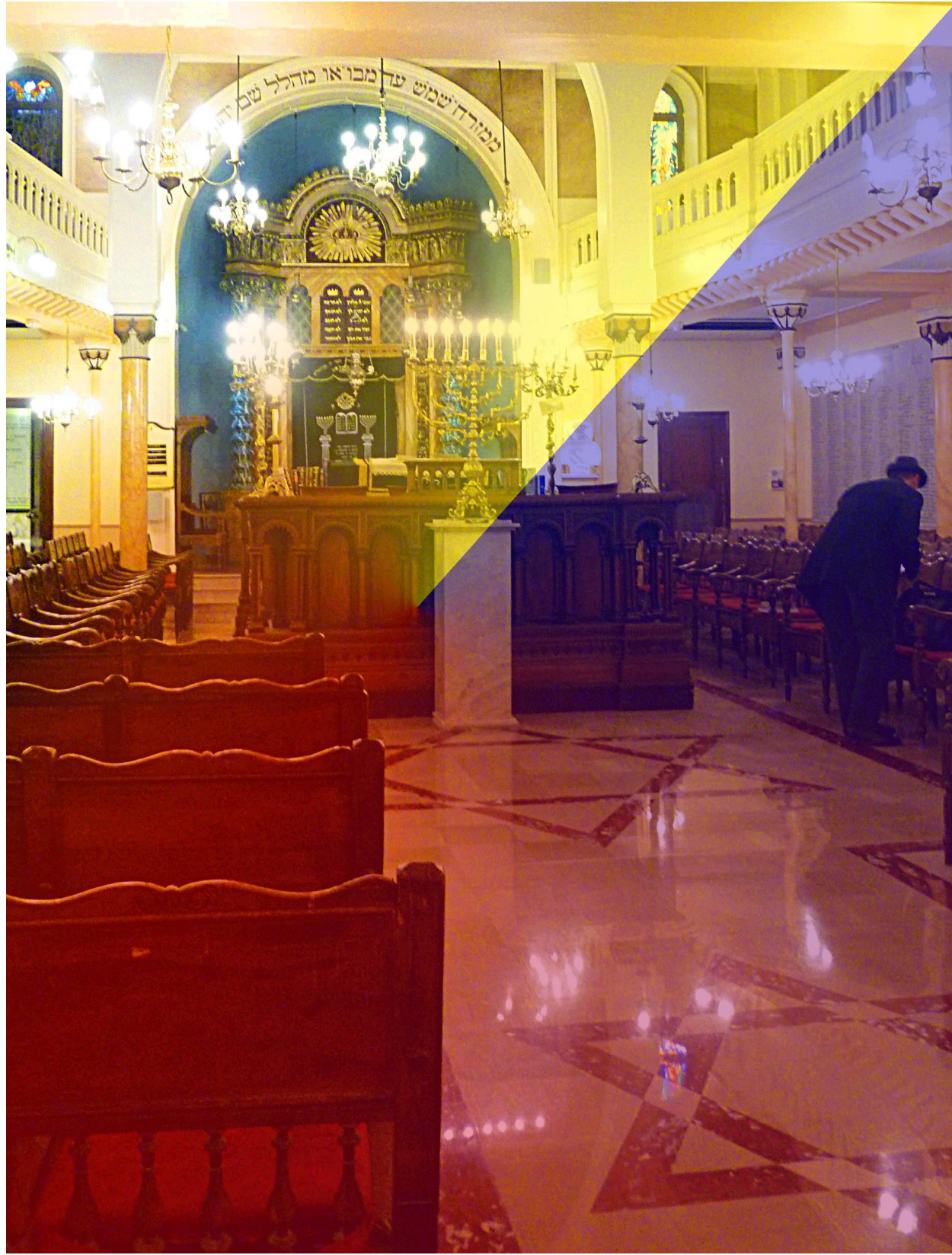


*This Page: Street in St. Paul of  
Vence and Chagall*

*Next Page: Interior Synagogue,  
Nice, c. 1880 c.e.*









## *What Marvels Did I See?*

*The forever ocean blue  
and the Baltic sea  
    skies light mixed  
    with endless waves  
    white crests  
    amid a calm horizon  
    suggested turmoil  
    of deep blue black waters*

*Reading poetic mysteries  
And absorbing the sun*

*Visiting cities never before  
seen  
by my eyes*

## *COPENHAGEN*

*An endless flight rushing to venture  
to the Danish Jewish Museum  
to the Royal Academy Library  
    safely stored Jewish books  
    past the old synagogue  
    honoring a man named Wolff*

*Fables persist  
by Hans Christian Anderson  
    and the Yellow Star  
    fable or not  
    homage to the Danish*

*Racing exhausted lifting  
One foot after another  
Out of shape but together  
    climbing our Mt.Everest*

*Next Page: Royal Academy Library, Mitzvah -  
    Danish Jewish Museum, Synagogue  
    Copenhagen*





## A BERLIN WALL

My sight is blurry,  
I fear I see symbols of the past  
I don't trust my eyes

We speed past  
    Holocaust Memorials,  
    stone upon stone  
    The Terror Museum  
    is all around  
    The Book Burning Plaza  
    is a fire in me

Our thoughtful guide  
    Presenting the past as was as is  
    I don't trust my ears

What do I see?

Art Museums and Starbucks  
And a New Reichstaag

Lebiskind's Jewish Museum of Berlin  
    Astounding angles, stories  
    Askew Garden of Exiles  
    And a dark Holocaust Tower

I try to leave  
there is no door handle!

So many visitors  
    What impresses them?

The train speeds away  
and I wipe the blur from my eyes  
pondering this now city  
    Berlin

Next Page: (r) The New Brandenburg, Reichstaag,  
    Berlin, New Synagogue Dome  
    (l) Holocaust Memorial of Stones







*Alphabet letters put together to form  
old cities, new countries*

*never heard before by me*

**TALLININ, ESTONIA**

*UNESCO'S 15th century buildings*

*After the flower shop*

*Stands*

*A new synagogue*

*Grandest of arches*

*Newest of museums*

*Noises of cobblestones*

*Noises of Jewish children*

*today 295 all told*

*happy, laughing, studying*

*Next Page: (l to r) Tallinin Synagogue, Overview of  
15th century Tallinin*





## What do I see of ST. PETERSBURG?

Reflecting in the ever flowing Neva  
Serfs, laborers,  
Cossacks and comrades  
for the Tzar, for the Revolution  
Beautifully restored buildings  
Peter's Palace  
Catherine's Summer Palace  
Peter and Paul's Fortress  
All gold, gild, marble and mirrors  
And a resurrection of amber

Catherine's Hermitage  
stands there caressing  
the Reubens, the Rembrandts  
I have seen them before        where?  
never so moved  
history so alive!

## Leningrad & the Hermitage

I remember        past stories  
the assault        in World War II  
Those guards, art connoisseurs, curators,  
freezing, starving  
working and dying  
to save  
those Reubens, those Rembrandts!

St. Petersburg    I ask  
Where are the Chagalls?  
Where are the Holocaust memorials?  
  
What of St. Petersburg today?

Next Page: My Interior Hermitage Museum,  
Rembrandt, Da Vinci, Gilder,  
Amber









*This Page - Above: Peter's Palace Park*

*This Page (!): Paul's Fortress Cathedral*

*Next Page: Hall of Mirrors, Catherine's Palace*







*Surprises of surprises*

*HELSINKI across the sea*

*A hidden city of beauty  
Marimeko designs and  
Esplanade Park  
Meltable Pastries and  
a Modern Art Museum*

*Rock Church                    hymns  
Helsingin Synagoga        songs  
All purposefully designed  
to fit together  
seamlessly*

*Next Page: (l ) - Marimeko Pillow Montage &  
Esplanade Boulevard, (r) - Helsinki  
Synagogue, Baltic Sea*







## *A Spanish guide for STOCKHOLM?*

*Eyefuls and a panoramic view*

*the Royal Palace*

*and Gamla Stan*

*The Nobel Museum*

*so many Jewish*

*honors*

*Why do we stop at an iceberg bar?*

*Squeezed between the Vasa Museum*

*Henrik Hybertson Jewish shipbuilder*

*And*

*So much left to see*

*Great Synagogue of Stockholm*

*Wallenberg and memorial plaques*

*Why do we stop at an iceberg bar?*

*Next Page: Iceberg Bar, Royal Palace &*

*Stockholm Synagogue*







*What marvels I did photograph!*

*What marvels I did see*

*The Baltic blue and everflowing Neva*

*A flowering forever Provence*

*And forever cities*

*pasts                      and present*

*amid                      the calm*

*and                      turmoil of life*

*And like a teenager*

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