

## *On a Wing and a Prayer*

These pieces based in drawing and print-making explore images inspired by angels, who protect and shelter us, inspire prayer and hopes for divine intervention. Negotiating the pitfalls of daily existence in contemporary life, I come to this series of drawings hoping for little glimpses of hope, comfort and understanding.

As in my paintings, my images explore stories with ancient roots that can enlighten our understanding of the world. They are not meant as simple illustrations, but rather, interpretations using modern vernacular. It seems only natural that along with acknowledgement of ancient precepts, as contemporary artists we admit our modern influences. As our world evolves, our vocabulary shifts. It is my aim to share familiar themes in new and interesting ways. These pieces are meant as fluid explorations that are immediate and welcome counterpoint to the more laborious technique and rigid precepts I use when painting icons.

Christina Saj is a painter who lives and works in NJ. She holds a BA from Sarah Lawrence and an MFA from Bard College. Early in her career, she mastered the technique of Byzantine Icon painting. This traditional influence was balanced by simultaneous work with contemporary artists in New York City. Saj's work bridges the disparate aspects of both worlds in order to create a new interpretation of traditional themes and subjects. Her contemporary interpretations of icons have been widely exhibited including such venues as the American Bible Society, Union Theological Seminary, The Ukrainian Museum in New York, Museum of Cultural Heritage, Kiev Ukraine, the American Embassy in Qatar as well as at the White House. Her works reside in private and museum collections in the US and abroad.



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a collection of drawings and prints  
by Christina Saj

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Golden Wing, mixed media on panel with 18K gold leaf, 2011  
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*Giclée Prints*  
Transfer Drawings - editions of 25

framed and matted 12" x 16".....\$150.  
unframed prints available \$100.



Musical Angel



Angel with Striped Wings



Guardian of the House



Angel in Arch



Guardian of the House



Guardian of the House



Baby Angel



Angel Playing the Harp



Radiant Angel



Home Sweet Home



Messenger for a New Day



St Michael

*Giclée Prints*  
Illuminated Pencil Drawings

framed and matted 20" x 16".....\$250.  
unframed prints available \$150.



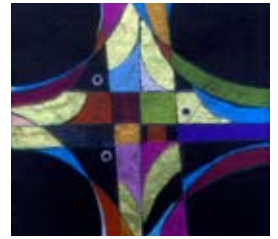
Golden Wing



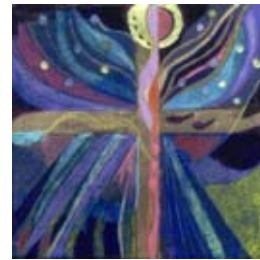
Goodnight Angel



Guardian Angel



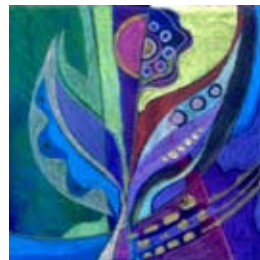
Sign of the Cross



Guardian of Newborns



Mother and Child



Joyful Angel



St Francis Preaches to the Birds