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**Hello Everyone,  
My name is Maya Shany and I am very excited to be one of  
Cleveland's new Shinshinim next year!**

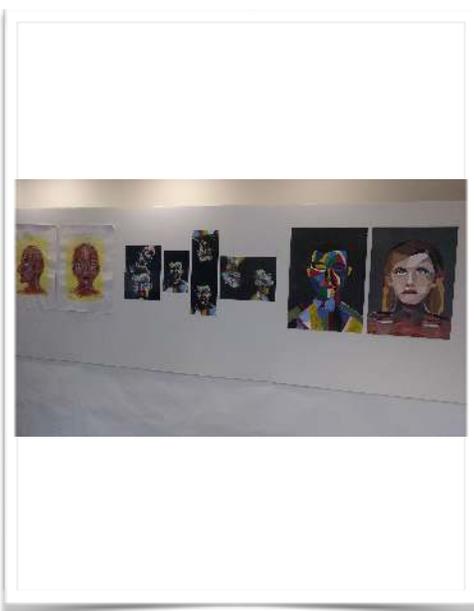
**I will meet you all soon, but beforehand let me tell you a little  
bit about myself...**

**I live in Rehovot, a city located in the center of Israel. Rehovot  
is urban and it is called "the city of education and culture". I  
have a deep connection to the city of Rehovot. My great-great-  
grandfather was one of the founders of the city and also the  
city nearby, Ness Ziona. In my city, there is the "Museum of  
Orchards" which belongs to my family. Apart from the city of  
Rehovot, I love traveling with my family in the north and south  
of Israel, and also to see new places abroad. My most beloved  
places in Israel are the Sea of Galilee, Mitzpe Ramon,  
Jerusalem, the Galilee and Eilat.**





In my family we are five. My mother's name is Galit and she is an industry and management manager. She is funny, warm and loving, and makes excellent food! My father's name is Chen, and he is an engineer. From him I 'inherited' cynicism and a sense of humor. I am the oldest in the family and I have a 14 year old sister and 9 year old brother. My sister is named Yael but everyone calls her Yaeli. Even though she's three years younger than me, we look like twins and everyone always asks us what it's like to be identical twins. My little brother, Tomer, is the funniest in my family! He loves sports and I always let him beat me in soccer. I love my family very much and we enjoy traveling, going to the beach, making Kiddush on Fridays together and just spending time as a family.



I'm almost 18 years old and have just finished 12th grade. I love dancing very much, and I have been dancing from a young age in various stylistic groups like classical and modern ballet, but most of all I love jazz and hip-hop. I also play the piano, and like to design, paint and photograph. In school I studied art and I recently had an exhibition of portraits, where I presented some of the works I did during this year. It was an exciting moment and I had a great time. I have been a scout instructor for two years and I want to be an instructor in the army as well. I love children, people and dogs, because they always make me happy.

I cannot wait to come to Cleveland, see you soon!

Yours, Maya