Ma-oz Tsur



A Time To Celebrate LIGHTS!²

Boston Celebrates Channuka
with
the Zamir Chorale
and
the Klezmer Conservatory Band

December 10, 1989 at 7:30 pm Sanders Theatre



PROGRAM

In the Beginning Daniel Pinkham

Jumpin' Night in the Garden of Eden traditional

Der Sudenyu traditional

Serba Evan Harlan

Deror Yikra Yehezkel Braun

Naftule Shpilt far dem Rebn Naftule Brandwein

SheYiboneh Beys HaMikdosh Israel Schorr

guest soloist: Cantor Aryeh Finkelstein

Doyneh Miriam Rabson

Eine Kleine Klezmuzik Goldfaden/traditional /Warshawsky

Der Kishinever Shtikeleh Moyshe Oysher/Abe Ellstein

Eymatai traditional (arr: A. W. Binder)

Rumania Aaron Lebedeff

intermission

Chanukah Variations

Joshua Jacobson

soloists: Rebecca Gorlin and Daniel Nesson

I Have a Little Dreydel

M. Gelbart (arr: Tayku/Lazar)

guest artists: Michael and Mat Zaitchik

O, Ir Kleyner Likhtelekh

traditional

Al HaNissim

D. Frimer

Yemey HaChanukah

traditional (arr: S. Barnett)

Oy Chanukah

traditional

Sevivon

traditional (arr: S. Barnett)

Drey Dreydelekh

Abe Ellstein

HaNeyros Halolu

Louis Lewandowsky

Candle Lighting

traditional

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traditional (arr: A. W. Binder)

guest soloist: David Rappaport

A Heymishe Bulgar

Abe Ellstein

Zamir Chorale of Boston

Now in its twenty-first season, the Zamir Chorale is regarded as one of the most significant proponents of Jewish music. Since its formation by Music Director Joshua Jacobson in 1969, the Chorale has remained committed to perpetuating Jewish culture through song and to sharing music of the highest quality with its audiences.

Zamir's credits are numerous. The Chorale has performed throughout the United States, from California to Maine, toured Israel and Great Britain, and appeared with the Jerusalem Symphony and Israel Philharmonic Orchestras under the batons of Zubin Mehta and Daniel Barenboim. Locally, the chorus has appeared with the New England Conservatory Orchestra and has performed for the International Society for Contemporary Music, the American Choral Directors Association Eastern Division Convention and Boston's First Night Celebrations.

Zamir has received consistent praise in both local and national media; writing in the Boston Globe, Richard Dyer dubbed Zamir "a virtuoso outfit." In 1978 Zamir received the Silver Medallion award for performing excellence from Boston's Association for the Performing Arts, and in 1988 the Myrtle Wreath Award from the New England Region of Hadassah. The Zamir Chorale of Boston is in residence at Hebrew College.

Joshua R. Jacobson, founder and director of the Zamir Chorale of Boston, holds a Bachelors degree in Music from Harvard College, a Masters in Choral Conducting from the New England Conservatory, and a Doctor of Musical Arts from the University of Cincinnati. In addition to his responsibilities with the Chorale, Professor Jacobson is Chairman of the Department of Music at Northeastern University and Director of the University's choral program. He has conducted workshops on choral music for various groups, including the American Choral Directors Association, the American Conference of Cantors and the Zimriyah International Choral Festival; and has guest conducted a number of ensembles, including the Boston Lyric Opera Company. In March of 1989 he spent four weeks in Yugoslavia as a "Distinguished Professor" under the auspices of the Fulbright program. He has given lectures on various aspects of music for a number of organizations, including the pre-Symphony lectures sponsored by the Friends of the New England Conservatory. He has also written textbooks on music theory and appreciation, articles on various aspects of choral music, and compositions and arrangements which have been performed throughout the United States as well as in Canada, Europe and Israel.

Cathy Rand works extensively throughout New England and New York, performing both as a soloist and ensemble player, as a musical director of theatre and opera, coaching vocalists, and teaching piano and theory. A native New Yorker, she earned her Bachelor of Music from the Baldwin Wallace Conservatory of Music where she received the Monk Award for outstanding scholarship, and a Master of Music from the University of Maine. She also served as Assistant Director of the University of Maine's summer chamber music school.

Zamir Chorale of Boston

sopranos

Donna Levy Alon • Shari Baker • Joanne Camann* • Rebecca Gorlin • Lynne Herschfus • Judy Israel* • Laurie Libenson • Sharon Offenberg* • Deborah Shapiro* • Esther Shorr • Helen Wanderstock • Jody Weixelbaum • Phyllis Werlin

altos

Kyra Auslander • Susan Carp-Nesson* • Johann Ehrmann • Rena Finkelstein • Sharon • Eisner Gillet* • Faye Kalmbach • Deborah Marion* • Lisa Newfield • Francene Reichel • Nancy Sargon-Zarsky • Heather Zacker* •

tenors

Fran Barg • Rick Boyar • Chet Edelman • Danny Fath • Joshua Feigon • Dan Friedman* • Daniel Nesson* • Leila Joy Rosenthal* • Larry Sandberg*

basses

Peter Bronk* • Larry Constantine • Robert Follansbee • Gennady Konnikov • Andy Langowitz* • Chaim Parchi • Arthur Rabson • Arthur Shapiro • Mark Stepner* • Mark Vasa* • Norman Zarsky •

^{*}small chorus in Chanukah Variations

Zamir Chorale of Boston

Joshua Jacobson, Music Director
Margot Emery, Manager
Cathy Rand, Accompanist
Darryl Cooper, Assistant Accompanist
Sharon Offenberg and Deborah Shapiro, Soprano Section Leaders
Johanna Ehrman, Alto Section Leader
Leila Rosenthal, Tenor Section Leader
Andy Langowitz and Mark Stepner, Bass Section Leaders

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The Klezmer Conservatory Band

Hankus Netsky, Director

Judy Bressler, vocals
Ilene Stahl, clarinet
Hankus Netsky, saxophone, piano
Miriam Rabson, violin
Robin Miller, flute, piccolo
Gary Bohan, cornet
Merryl Goldberg, saxophones
Mark Hamilton, trombone
Evan Harlan, piano, accordion
James Guttman, bass
Grant Smith, drums
Steve Netsky, banjo, guitar

From the shtetls of Eastern Europe, through the emigration to America, from the jazz clubs of cities and the stages of Yiddish theatre comes the music of the Klezmer Conservatory Band. Fueled by a desire to return to his roots and the inherent appeal of the music, Hankus Netsky, the band's founder, discovered that both a grandfather and an uncle were in Philadelphia klezmer orchestras in the 1920s. In 1980, while an instructor at the New England Conservatory of Music, he formed the band. The Klezmer Conservatory Band has performed concerts from coast to coast and has released five albums on the Vanguard and Rounder labels. The New York Times praised the band, calling it "an upbeat and exultant ensemble, reflecting a warmth and reverence for its music."

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Celebrate Israel Independence Day with the Zamir Chorale and our guest performers in a fascinating program highlighting the musical traditions of the various ethnic groups that make up the fabric of contemporary Israeli society.

LIGHTS² was conceived by Joshua Jacobson, Hankus Netsky and Moshe Waldoks. Musical arrangements, unless otherwise indicated, are by Joshua Jacobson and Hankus Netsky. Lighting design by Dick Williams.

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Eine Kleine Klezmusik

