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From the Synagogue to the Stage: The Genius of Jewish Composers

Victoria, BC (May 12, 2011) - Mendelssohn, Glick, Bernstein and Robinovitch: you might guess they are all Jewish, but did you know they have all written great choral music?

In a deliberate nod to the rich contributions of the Jewish musical tradition, *Linden Singers of Victoria* will present a program of all Jewish composers at its Spring Concert.

But don't think you will hear nothing but Yiddish songs with a Brooklyn accent! There is sweeping grandeur from Mendelssohn, utterly charming jazz from Robinovitch, the high energy, excitement and rhythm of Leonard Bernstein, and some heartwarming longing from Glick. There is music of worship, and music of the nightclub, and music of the Broadway stage. There is deep faith, tragedy and satire, humour and love and especially rhythm. You will laugh, and you will cry, and you may want to dance – sometimes all at once.

“The Linden Singers have been growing in technique, interpretation, and the ability to deliver the structures of choral music with ease and joy,” says Maestro Garry Froese. “This will be a concert for sheer listening pleasure.”

The Hour Has Come, will be presented on Saturday, May 28th at 7:30 pm at the First Metropolitan United Church, Balmoral at Quadra Street. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$15 for senior/student. Tickets available are at: Ivy's Books, Long & McQuade, First Metropolitan United Church office and at the door or online at www.lindensingers.ca.

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