

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

A Choral Buffet by Jewish Composers!

Victoria, BC (May 12, 2011) - Linden Singers of Victoria will present a spring concert featuring music written by Jewish composers such as Felix Mendelssohn, Srul Irving Glick, Leonard Bernstein and Sid Robinovitch and others! The programme will include Psalms and liturgical settings of prayers, Yiddish folk songs, as well as music from Broadway.

The subjects will be diverse, ranging from the wisdom of the psalms, to the consolation of Jewish liturgical music, contemporary humanism, a 20th century telling of the classic story of Romeo and Juliet, and the satire of Voltaire. All of this will be contrasted with the humour found in the infectious enthusiasm of some Yiddish folksongs. The audience will encounter texts presented in the English, German, Hebrew and Yiddish languages.

The musical diet will include the lush harmonies and highly accessible melodies of Mendelssohn, the rhythmic and refreshingly pungent harmonic language of Bernstein, the comfort and peace found in the sensitive settings of Jewish worship texts by Robinovitch, the modal surprises of a well crafted Yiddish folksong and the broad symphonic structures found in the music of Glick. All will be intriguingly contrasting, while musically satisfying and uplifting!

“We are presenting a truly rich musical buffet! There will be something for most musical tastes, ...” says Dr. Garry Froese, Music Director of the Linden Singers.

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 are available at: Ivy's Books, Long & McQuade, First Metropolitan United Church office and at the door or online at www.lindensingers.ca.

#

Contact:

Bob Hall
Publicity Director
2374 Central Avenue,
Victoria, BC V8S 2S4
Tel.: 250.598.1359
E-mail: <frhall@shaw.ca>