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Aroeste & Russell

The Colors of Jewishness



TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 7PM

Anodyne Coffee Roasters
224 W. Bruce St.

Diaspora Songs: Yiddish Meets Ladino
Vocalists Sarah Aroeste (Ladino) & Anthony Russell (Yiddish) join forces to explore common themes and approaches in Ladino and Yiddish music. Accompanied by pianist/accordionist Dmitri Gaskin and guitarist Rob Sanzone, Anthony and Sarah will musically reconcile these long-lost cousins of Jewish music.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 3PM

Ovation Jewish Home, 1414 N. Prospect Ave.

The Sephardic Experience in Ladino Song: From Past to Present

Singer/songwriter Sarah Aroeste weaves together Ladino song with her family history in this presentation. Using audio, video, and live music with contemporary arrangements, Aroeste demonstrates the vibrancy and bright future of Ladino culture.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 7PM

88.9 Radio Milwaukee, 220 E. Pittsburgh Ave.

Tsvey Brider:
Anthony Russell & Dmitri Gaskin

Diverse idioms, styles, and periods contrast and combine in Tsvey Brider (Two Brothers), creating unique contemporary interpretations of music in the Yiddish language. Recent winners of the Concorso Internacional de Canciones en Idish in Mexico City, the members of Tsvey Brider have performed and recorded with such noted artists as Daniel Kahn, Michael Winograd, Michael Alpert, Alan Bern, and Veretski Pass.

Bringing Ladino culture to a new generation, **Sarah Aroeste** draws upon her Sephardic roots from Greece and Macedonia to present traditional and original Ladino songs with her unique blend of rock, pop, and jazz. She has toured the globe and recorded five albums—most recently, *Together/Endjuntos*, the first bilingual Ladino/English holiday album. In 2014 Aroeste won the Sephardic prize at the International Jewish Music Festival in Amsterdam, and in 2015 represented the USA in the International Sephardic Music Festival in Cordoba, Spain. NPR has featured Aroeste as one of the most boundary-pushing Latin artists today, and she has garnered wide critical acclaim for her efforts to bring Ladino to wider audiences.

For more: www.saraharoeste.com.

Anthony Russell is a vocalist, composer, and arranger specializing in Yiddish song whose solo work has brought him to stages across the United States, Europe, and Israel. Anthony's work in Ashkenazi music led to an exploration of his own roots through the research, arrangement, and performance of traditional African American music. The result is the 2018 album *Convergence*, a collaboration with renowned klezmer trio Veretski Pass, exploring 100 years of African American and Ashkenazi Jewish music. In 2017, Anthony and accordionist and pianist Dmitri Gaskin formed a duo, Tsvey Brider (Two Brothers), for the composition and performance of new songs in Yiddish. Tsvey Brider has been featured in Berlin's Radical Jewish Culture Festival, toured Poland, and performed for culture and music festivals all over the United States.

For more: www.anthonyrussellbass.com.

