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CD RELEASE EVENT: Adrienne Cooper's "Enchanted: A New Generation of Yiddishsong" release concert

Saturday, November 6th 8 pm @ DROM 85 Avenue A (betw 5th St. and 6th St.) 212-777-1157. www.dromnyc.com. Door: \$15, Students: \$10

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If you think you know what to expect when you hear the words “Yiddish song,” you’re in for a shock with the release of Adrienne Cooper’s new CD “Enchanted.” With “Enchanted,” Cooper has launched a fantastic exploration of the emotional and textural possibilities that Yiddish song can provide; from deeply traditional a capella passages to jazz ballads, from pop to multi-layered big-band arrangements ala Spike Jones. Newly issued on West Coast World Music label Golden Horn, the CD features arrangements by new klezmer sensation Michael Winograd and free improvisations by Canadian jazz great, pianist Marilyn Lerner and Klezematics’ leader and trumpeter Frank London, all underpinned by the drum work of Kenny Wolleson. At Drom Cooper will be joined by a stellar 8-piece band of luminaries in the klezmer, Yiddish, Jazz and even Irish scenes including Marilyn Lerner (piano) Mike Winograd (clarinet), Benjy Fox-Rosen (bass), Avi Fox-Rosen (guitar), Patrick Farrell, (accordion), Chris Berry (drums), Jon Singer (marimba), Ben Holmes (trumpet), and Sarah Mina Gordon (back-up vocals).

Cooper stands at the forefront of the modernization of the Yiddish scene and here half the songs are new works – products of a contemporary Yiddish songwriting revival; the songs that are drawn from traditional folk and music theater are reimagined, restyled and a revelation. It’s as if Cooper peeled away the layers of Yiddish so far, revealing a core and adding that to a cultural mix that retains the essence of Yiddish style, infused with flavors that enhance it’s emotionality and range, making it finally a world music.