PREVIOUS OROT MUSICAL PROGRAMS

Entering Into Shabbat: Singing as a Spiritual Practice Spring 2019
A special workshop with Rabbi Dr. Elie Holzer

We often think of Shabbat as a holiday that begins on Friday evening and ends on Saturday evening. Shabbat can be so much more: a template for peaceful encounters all week long, a chance to touch the eternal and the transformative, and a time for intimacy love. How do you prepare yourself for so much fullness? In this very special workshop with visiting scholar and teacher Rabbi Dr. Elie Holzer, we will practice entering the Shabbat mindset through melody and harmony. This is much much more than a concert!

Nava Tehila in Concert! Spring 2018
Join us for a special concert with the musical group Nava Tehila, straight from Jerusalem!

Softening the heart: Song, silence and liberation a morning intensive Winter 2018
Join Ba'alat Niggun, Musician and Educator Aviva Chernick as she leads us in an exploration of our voices. From breath and sigh to sound and song, this morning workshop will be an opportunity to discover our voices anew, reflecting in song and silence on the potential for personal and communal liberation through vocal exploration. There will be meditation and singing instruction.

Singing into Freedom: a participatory concert to prepare for Passover Winter 2018
With award winning Canadian musicians Aviva Chernick and Justin Gray

Join Aviva and Justin in an evening of exquisite song, song for listening and letting the soul soften and song to sing along with in full communal voice. Join us as we near the festival of freedom on this journey of liberation through song.

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Song and Silence: Finding Your Way into the High Holidays Orot Community event for the month of Elul Summer 2017

Join the Orot community and Orot's cofounders Rebecca Minkus-Lieberman, Jane Shapiro, Sam Feinsmith, Jordan Bendat-Appell, and musician Stuart Rosenberg for a community evening of study, singing, and silence to cultivate an inner vibrancy and prepare for entering into the High Holiday season. All are welcome!

First the Journey, Then the Song An intimate evening of song, poetry, and creative text study with visiting scholar and artist Alicia Jo Rabins Winter 2017

Join us to explore narratives of transformation through the prism of art. Beginning with the People's crossing of the sea from the weekly portion, we will travel through decades of wandering in the desert and consider the story of the Sotah, the woman accused of adultery using original music and poetry. How can these mythic narratives of transformation nourish us through the changes and challenges in our own lives? And how can artistic forms help us illuminate Jewish wisdom and bring them into conversation with our personal lives? Beautifully weaving together poetry, violin, a loop pedal, and feminist Torah scholarship, Rabins explores the hidden places where the stories of Biblical women overlap with her own in her Girls in Trouble song cycle. Rabins' voice has been described as "gorgeous" by the New York Times, and LA Weekly praises her songs' "sweetly beguiling intimacy". An experienced Jewish educator, Alicia's text study sessions weave together creativity and personal growth.

Sing Your Way to Freedom: a Passover Musical Fundraiser Spring 2016
Join us to celebrate Passover and Spring at this special musical workshop with musician and artist, Shir Yaakov Feit. This special fundraiser will help support the work of Orot. Open to all! Suggested donations are available at various levels, and all donations will be tax-deductible.