

# Newton Festival of the Arts, Spring 2016



## **NIGUN CHAMBER ENSEMBLE** *Yelena Neplok, Artistic Director*

**Sunday, May 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Newton Cultural Center at City Hall**  
**1000 Commonwealth Avenue**

### *25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary* *of The Nigun Chamber Ensemble* *Evening of Russian and Jewish music*

*A unique blend of Jewish folk songs in Yiddish and Hebrew, chamber music and art songs by great Russian and Jewish composers.*

***This program is supported in part by a grant from the Newton Festival of the Arts.***

The critically acclaimed, award-winning Nigun Chamber Ensemble has been enthusiastically received in numerous international music festivals and concerts in many of the most prestigious Russian and American music halls, and has been featured on national radio and television broadcasts in Russia and in the US. Nigun's interpretation of folk music, classical music, and art song has impressed audiences and critics alike.

*"All pieces that formed the ensemble's programs were of phenomenal high art."*

***Vestnik Magazine***

*"Nigun touches the heart strings of many listeners."*

***Yevreiski Mir (Jewish World), New York***

*"The Nigun Ensemble has become one of the most original outlets for Jewish Folk Music in the Bay State."*

***Jewish Advocate, Boston***

**Yelena Neplok, Artistic Director, piano**

**Valerie Shleppi, soprano**

**Sargis Karapetyan, violin**

**Cynthia Forbes, cello**

**Chester Brezniak, clarinet**

Admission: \$25, \$15 for seniors & students

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