



Newton Festival of the Arts, Spring 2018

NIGUN CHAMBER ENSEMBLE *Yelena Neplok, Artistic Director*

Saturday, May 12, 2018, 7:30 p.m.
Newton Cultural Center at City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02459

The Art of Jewish Music

A unique blend of Jewish folk songs in Yiddish and Hebrew, Popular Jewish traditional instrumental music, and pieces by Mendelssohn, Achron, Bloch, Weiner, Gershwin, Bernstein.

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 achieved great critical acclaim.

“All pieces that formed the ensemble's programs were of phenomenal high art.”

Vestnik Magazine

“Yelena Neplok and her colleagues bring to the people culture of highest quality.”

Forward, 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 Schleppi, soprano

Sargis Karapetyan, violin

Cynthia Forbes, cello

Chester Brezniak, clarinet

Refreshments

Admission: \$25, \$15 seniors & students, \$45 sponsors

Tickets available at www.newtoncommunitypride.org/festival
www.centermakor.org or at the door

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