

Maxwell Street Klezmer Band Sample Set List 2016

Set I

Mazl Tov Dances (from the Mickey Katz Orchestra): Lively instrumental

Hopkele (Barry Sisters Vocal Duet)

Volochl and Kolomeikes (Rumanian lament, Ukrainian Dance)

Abi Gezunt (Yiddish Theater Swing Tube by Mollie Picon)

Alle Brider (*We Are All Brethren*: Bundist Sing-Along, 1920s)

Unzer Toyrele (Our Dear Torah) (Naftule Brandwine, classic klezmer)

Sheyn vi di Levone (Lovely as the Moon): Yiddish Rhumba, 1930s

Gentlemen from Chelm: Breakneck Violin Feature

Ach! Odessa (Alex sings! 1920s Russian Foxtrot)

Yiddishe Mama (My Yiddishe Mama) or
Mishaela (Contemporary Israeli Song by Noa)

Gasn Nign and Ketzele-Feygele (Rumanian Hora and Yiddish Love Song—Don leads the audience in the dance if possible)

Bei Mir Bistu Sheyn and Russian Sherele
Or Rumania, Rumania

Set II

Nigun Medley (Duet: lively Chassidic melodies)

Firn di Mechutonim Ahem (*Escorting the Inlaws Home*), Di Mame iz Gegangen (*Mama Came Home from the Market*) (Clarinet solo, from soulful to frenetic)

Chiribim, Chiribom (Barry Sisters Comic Duet)

Leah's Saraband (dramatic, original wedding processional)

Usti Usti Baba (Estonian-language Roma wedding dance)

Oy Abram! (from the Warsaw Yiddish Theater, 1920s)

Crazy Dreydl (original violin feature by Alex)

Chassidic in America (Comic duet, Moishe Oysher, 1930s movie)

Zisse Kinder Yorn (Sweet Childhood Years) (Song of memory and loss, by Mordechai Gebirtig)

Metyelitza (The Snowstorm) (Russian folk song with bravado)

Galitzianer vs Litvak: Comic duet, violin and clarinet (upstage)

Salaam: Peace Song in Hebrew and Arabic (Sheva)

ENCORE: Compote (Original, PDQ Bach-style parody on Jewish and Classical Themes)

DANCING DANCING DANCING (get the audience up!)