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#### A MESSAGE FROM SHOW ONE PRODUCTIONS

It is our honour tonight to bring you this concert of internationally acclaimed singer Tamara Gverdtsiteli. After earning rave reviews for her sold-out 2014 concert at Carnegie Hall, Tamara Gverdtsiteli – named "The Russian Édith Piaf" by the New York Times – makes her triumphant Toronto return with a brand new program, "MAMELE, THE MOTHER'S EYES". Backed by the soloists of the Moscow Male Jewish Cappella and Sinfonia Toronto conducted by Maestro Alexander Tsaliuk - Ms Gverdtsiteli is set to captivate her many fans and new audiences alike with the passion of her singing.

#### **ABOUT US**

Show One Productions was founded in 2004 by Russian-born Svetlana Dvoretsky as a full-service presenting, touring and promotion company that focuses on presenting high-profile international artists in classical/crossover music, opera, dance and theatre across Canada. Show One quickly became one of the most important presenters in the country, featuring sold-out concerts in the most prestigious venues and successfuly combining North American entrepreneurship with a strong European cultural sensibility. Show One is proud of its roster, which includes such world-renowned stars as Dmitri Hvorostovsky, Vladimir Spivakov, Valery Gergiev, Gidon Kremer, Denis Matsuev and Sondra Radvanovsky, as well as famous dance and theatre companies: Argentinean Tango-Fire, Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo, Eifman Ballet, Ballet on Ice: Sleeping Beauty,

The Vakhtangov Theatre and Casanova Variations with John Malkovich, among others.

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Friday, June 3, 2016, at 8:00 **ROY THOMSON HALL** 

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## AN EVENING WITH TAMARA GVERDTSITELI

"MAMELE, THE MOTHER'S EYES"

#### FEATURING

THE MOSCOW MALE JEWISH CAPPELLA SINFONIA TORONTO Artistic Director and Conductor, ALEXANDER TSALIUK

Music: AL GOODHART

Mamele ("Mother")

Lyrics: Mitchell Parish,

Alex Elston

Music & Lyrics: JOSEPH RUMSHINSKY

Shloymele

Folk song

Chiribim

Music & Lyrics: MOSHE OYSHER

Halevay ("I Wish")

Jewish folk song

Tum Balalayke ("Play Balalayka")

Music: LEW POLLACK

A Yidishe Mame ("Jewish Mother")

Lyrics: Jack Yellen

ABRAHAM GOLDFADEN

Viglid ("Lullaby")

Music: ALEXANDER OLSHANETSKY Lyrics: Haim Tauber

Ikh Hob Dikh Tsufil Lib ("I Love You Much Too Much")

(program continued)

Music: MOTL POLYANSKIY

Freylekhs

Lyrics: Izi Kharik

Music: ABE SCHWARTZ

Lyrics: Yakov Leyzerovich,

Haim Prisant

Jewish folk song

Lomir ale in einem ("Let's All Together")

Di Grine Kuzine ("The Greenhorn Cousin")

Music & Lyrics: NAOMI SHEMER

Yerushalayim Shel Zahav ("Jerusalem of Gold")

#### Intermission

Music: NORBERT GLANZBERG

Piaf Fantasia

Georgian Suite

Lyrics: Anri Konte

Music: REZO LOGIDZE, TAMARA GVERDTSITELI

Lyrics: Petr Gruzinsky,

Tamara Gverdtsiteli

Music & Lyrics: BULAT OKUDZHAVA

Prayer

Music: ALEXANDER BASILAYA

Lyrics: Jemal Bagashvili

Argo

Music: JERRY BOCK Lyrics: Sheldon Harnick Sunrise Sunset

Music: GEORGE GERSHWIN

The Man I Love

Lyrics: Ira Gershwin Music: WALTER MALGONI

Guarda Che Luna ("Look What A Moon")

Lyrics: Bruno Pallesi

Music: EVGENY KOBYLYANSKY

Mother's Eyes

Lyrics: Simon Osiashvili

## THE Artists

#### TAMARA GVERDTSITELI

International singer, actress, and composer Tamara Gverdtsiteli was born in Tbilisi, Georgia, and began singing as a child. Noting her talent and love for music, her mother took her to the music school for gifted children. At the age of ten, Ms. Gverdtsiteli joined the Georgian children's pop ensemble Mziuri, and soon after became its soloist. After high school she continued her musical education at the Tbilisi State Conservatory of Music, graduating in 1984 as a classical pianist and later earning an additional degree in composition. Ms. Gverdtsiteli went on to perform on concert stages in theatre, film and opera productions. She earned accolades from around the world, including first prize in the Red Carnation international competition in Sochi, a popular music award in Dresden, and first place at the Golden Orpheus international festival in Bulgaria. She was named People's Artist of Georgia (1991) and People's Artist of Russia (2004). In 1991, French composer Michel Legrand invited Ms. Gverdtsiteli to share the stage of the famous Olympia hall in Paris with him. After the show, attended by more than 3,000 people, Maestro Legrand yelled out, "Paris, remember this name! Tamara!" Their collaboration did not end there; several years later, they performed on stages in Russia, Ukraine and Georgia, even at New York's Carnegie Hall. In 2014, after an outstanding sold-out solo performance at



Carnegie Hall, The New York Times named her "Russian Édith Piaf."

Tonight, Ms. Gverdtsiteli presents a new program on which she collaborated with the Moscow Male Jewish Cappella, founded in 1989 by conductor Maestro Alexander Tsaliuk. "Mamele, The Mother's Eyes" pays tribute to Jewish heritage and features well-known and recently re-discovered Yiddish standards, alongside hits in Georgian, Russian, French and Italian, as well as Ms. Gverdtsiteli's own best known hits.



### **ALEXANDER TSALIUK, Conductor**



Alexander Tsaliuk graduated from the Moscow Conservatory with honors in 1994, receiving a master's degree in choral conducting. He wrote his master's thesis on the historical development of Jewish liturgical music, and went on to continue training for his PhD in choral conducting as assistant to Professor Kulikov, director of the Moscow Conservatory. At the same time he started another PhD at the Jewish State Academy, in symphonic and opera conducting, graduating from both programs with honors two years later. Since 1994 Mr. Tsaliuk has also conducted the Moscow Oratorio, the diplomatic corps choir at the American Embassy in Moscow. Mr. Tsaliuk co-founded the Male Jewish Cappella at the Moscow Academy of Cantorial Art in 1989, and has since been its conductor and artistic director.

In his role as conductor, Mr. Tsaliuk has performed in more than 300 concerts in Russia, the CIS, and 12 Western European countries. Mr. Tsaliuk has developed many professional programs of Jewish liturgical music, Jewish and Russian folk music, and classical music.

#### THE MOSCOW MALE JEWISH CAPPELLA

Alexander Tsaliuk, Artistic Director and Principal Conductor

Tenors I Artem Voice Tenors II Mikhail Andzelevich Mikhail Ratmansky

Mikhail Chesnokov Alexey Petrov **Eugeny Garanin** 

Mikhail Ashurov Boris Buryachenko

**Baritones** 

**Dmitry Brashovyan** 

Vladimir Ovsvannikov

Basses

Gennady Ivley Gregory Tkachenko

#### RHYTHMIC GROUP

Percussion Michael Sarin Ellery Trafford Flectric Guitar Kyle Sanna

Synthesizer **Eugene Sirotkine**  Bass Dara Bloom

#### SINFONIA TORONTO

Acclaimed as "A World-Class Ensemble" (review headline, Russelsheimer Echo, Germany), Sinfonia Toronto is one of the finest chamber orchestras in Canada, Under the leadership of Music Director Nurhan Arman, Sinfonia Toronto performs in the Glenn Gould Studio and George Weston Recital Hall at the Toronto Centre for the Arts in North York, tours to other Ontario centres each season, performs for schools, community centres and seniors' residences,

and has carried out creative projects with organizations from nine of Toronto's multicultural communities. The orchestra has been acclaimed on tour in Germany, Spain and the US. It has recorded four CD's, including works by Khachaturian, Mendelssohn and Shostakovich, film scores, an entire disc of premieres, and the Marguis Classic label's Flanders Fields Reflections. which received the 2009 JUNO for Best Classical Recording.

#### SINFONIA TORONTO

Violin I

Alex Toskov, Concertmaster Sarah Boyer, Helen Hong Natalia Zielinski, Lucia Barcari Elizabeth Loewen-Andrews, Bijan Sepanji Jennifer Burford

Violin II

Emily Hau, Principal Albina Molodozhan, Oksana Dmitrik Sona Kaltagian, Martin Bazarian

Viola

Tony Rapoport, Principal Anna Antropova, Carol Gimbel Moira Burke, Velma Ko

Cello

Andras Weber, Principal Sybil Shanahan, Amber Ghent Naomi Barron, Mary-Katherine Finch

Bass

Calum MacLeod, Principal David Lasker

Harp

Julie Umbrico

Flute

Suren Amirkhanian, Terry Lim

0boe

Vicki Hathaway, Heather Macdonald

Clarinet

Kaye Royer, Barbara Hankins

Bassoon

Larkin Hinder, Melanie Eyers

Horn

Aidan Kleer, Iris Krizmanic Mikhailo Babiak, Jessie Brooks

Trumpet

Bart Woomert, Anita McAllister Miranda Canonico, Valerie Cowie

Trombone

John Jasavala, Cathy Stone

Megan Hodge

Tuba

Matt Jefferson

Timpani

John Brownell

## (REDITS



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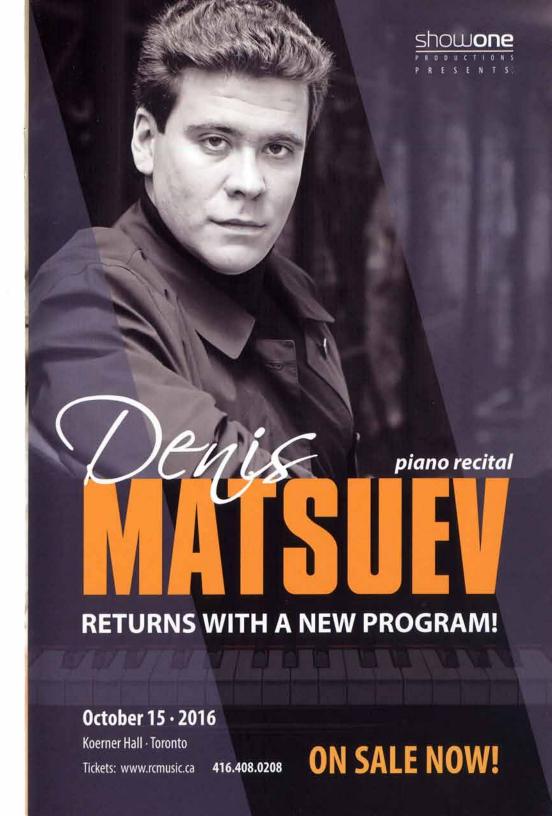














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