

Arts

# Story Of Passion:

## A Yiddish Tango Cabaret

Shtil, Mayn Corazon ("Still, My Heart" in Yiddish and Spanish) stars Jenny Levinson, an award-winning performer who has been active for many years in the International Yiddish music scene.

Levinson's 1993 discovery of the little-known repertoire of Yiddish tango led to extensive research in New York, Philadelphia and Buenos Aires, where she unearthed many of the long unheard tangos included in the show.

Her creation of the show reflects her passion for dancing Argentine tango and singing Yiddish, as well as her interest in how immigrant communities use art and culture to survive and thrive when displaced.

Shtil, Mayn Corazon: A

Yiddish Tango Cabaret features an orchestra of internationally known Yiddish and tango musicians under the direction of Pablo Asian, and will be performed cabaret-style – with intimate seating and ample room on the dance floor for Portland's tango aficionados.

Levinson is greatly inspired by the union of arts and politics. She feels that Yiddish music is most relevant today in two capacities: as the voice of a living tradition in its own right, and also as a voice of today's refugees and immigrants. She has sought out, in particular,

Yiddish songs of work and immigration as well as labor and immigration music from other cultures.

A preview performance will be held at the Mittleman Jewish Community Center, located at 6651 SW Capitol Highway, Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m.

## Jim Carrey Returns in the Grinch

'Tis the season for the return of Jim Carrey and a little production called "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas." And unless you've been living in a cave, you've probably caught the Grinch's face (with Carrey's name boldly emblazoned) on billboards across the country.

But there's one person who may be over-Grinched already — and it's Carrey himself. On a recent visit to "The Tonight Show," the star felt the need to publicly apologize for the massive doses of media coverage surrounding the film, spending his airtime side-stepping discussion of the grumpy old character to prevent audiences from choking on Grinch-mania before opening day.

It may have worked. Hollywood.com caught up with Carrey to bring a little holiday cheer. The result? Carrey engaging in some clowning around and all the trimmings before the onset of Grinch fever.



Jenny Levinson will be featuring Yiddish Tango that will combine music, theatre and dance to recreate a story of passion and immigration.

This December, experience the tango with a surprising new twist. Shtil, Mayn Corazon: A Yiddish Tango Cabaret combines music, theatre and dance to recreate the sights and sounds of tango as it

emerged in the Jewish community in Europe and throughout the Americas.

The story of tango is the story of passion and immigration — of life and of yearning for one's home.

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