

Mp3 The San Francisco Klezmer Experience (aka The Klez-x) - Harbst



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Modern and traditional Yiddish music, klezmer/jazz fusion. "The Klez-X swings and dazzles with sheer virtuosity, presenting "shocking" rhythmic changes and rich Bartokian dissonances at the drop of a yarmulke." 13 MP3 Songs WORLD: Judaica, JAZZ: World Fusion Details: The Klez-X (formerly the SF Klezmer Experience) is on the vanguard of new Jewish music. This phenomenal group of klezmer virtuosi is "the hottest source for klezmer" says the San Francisco Chronicle. Founded by DAVKA violinist Daniel Hoffman in 1996, the Klez-X mines the rich depths of klezmer, Yiddish folk and art song, and modern jazz to create a brilliantly original sound, still rooted in the bedrock of Yiddish culture. Based in the SF Bay-Area, the birthplace of the 1970's klezmer revival and home to one of the country's most progressive and fertile music scenes, the Klez-X boasts an all-star roster of highly versatile and innovative musicians. The Klez-X has performed internationally at numerous music festivals, including the Ashkenaz Festival of New Yiddish Culture in Toronto, the SF Jazz Festival, Germany's prestigious Schleswig-Holstein Festival, and with the San Francisco Symphony at their Millennium Gala celebration. The Klez-X has also performed with the acclaimed Yiddish singer and conductor, Michael Tilson Thomas, who says of the Klez-X "This extraordinary group has absolutely captivated my imagination, knocked my socks off - what more can I say?" Led by violinist and composer Daniel Hoffman, The Klez-X features reed player Sheldon Brown, Yiddish singer and accordionist Jeanette Lewicki, percussionist Kevin Mummey, bassist Richard Saunders, vocalist and trumpeter Stephen Saxon, and trombonist Charlie Seavey.

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