Mp3 Lenka Lichtenberg & Brian Katz - Pashtes



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New Yiddish music: The evocative verse of acclaimed Yiddish poet, Simcha Simchovitch, is set to stunning original music by vocalist/composer Lichtenberg, with arrangements by Brian Katz. 10 MP3 Songs WORLD: World Fusion, WORLD: Yiddish Show all album songs: Pashtes Songs Details: "Lichtenberg's powerful voice takes us on a tour of a mystical land of joys and sorrows." Scott Allan Stevens, Earball Media "Prague-born vocalist Lenka Lichtenberg has a lovely, confectionary, gamin-like quality. Her soprano voice sails above and around the notes with perfect control, weaving a luminous mystical web.... Brian Katz has a sumptuous guitar sound, full of facile runs and lush harmonics. "Lesley Mitchell-Clarke, The WholeNote Magazine, Nov. 06 Lenka Lichtenberg is a Prague-born singer, composer, arranger, producer, etnomusicologist and a bandleader. She is "...in the midst of an amazingly diverse career, including singing as a member of the wildly successful all-female swing-klez band Sisters of Sheynville and also performing as a cantor at various functions"... (The WholeNote Magazine); she was also a child star; in a heavy metal rock band, and on cruiselines, but all that is now water under the bridge! In 2006, Czech TV has made a documentary about her extraordinary journey (link from her website), and in November, 2007, the prestigious music magazine Harmony devoted four full pages (OK - there are a few pics, too!) to an interview with her. She finds herself now in Europe more regularly than ever, as her North American-learned Yiddish and liturgical repertoire -especially when infused by jazz and world beat sensibilities provided by Brian Katz - seems to find a great response from her audiences there. In Czech Republic, she now collaborates with a number of musicians and bands and even a choir! Brian Katz is an internationally acclaimed guitarist, pianist and recording artist, and a published composer. An expert improvisor, Brian draws on Jewish, jazz, classical and various folk traditions to form his personal sound. He has performed at major festivals and venues, such as the Toronto International Jazz Festival,

Ashkenaz, WOMAD, and Kristofore International Jewish Festival in Holland. performance resume.... SOLO (lenka): concerts and workshops 2004-2007: Austria, Germany, Czech Republic, Australia, U.S.A., Canada. More traditional approach to folk music, original music and liturgy. DUO: At festivals, Lenka performs mostly as a duo with Brian Katz, presenting a more jazzy, world music/world beat rendition of her eclectic repertoire. Ashkenaz (Toronto, 2006), Klezmore (Vienna, 2005), the Leeds International Festival of Performing Arts (UK, 2006), La Fete de la Musique (Geneva, Switzerland, 2007), New York (November, 2007) and numerous concerts in the Czech Republic, In 2006, Lenka and Brian released the critically-acclaimed Pashtes, Lenkas third CD, which is now getting radio airplay in 23 countries and has received many excellent reviews. As well, Pashtes has been featured in a number of radio programs and on satellite radio; for details, full reviews and more information, pls visit lenkalichtenberg(see LINKS) Lichtenberg is a passionate, smoky-voiced cabaret chanteuse and tasteful arranger Katz is always an enchanting soloist - Ori Dagan, The Live Music Report, October, 2007, concert review. . One certainly does not need to understand Yiddish to appreciate these songs. The emotion and depth of the lyrics, and the musical creativity of the settings and arrangements, are communicated through Lichtenberg and Katzs fine performances. And even in the transformation from one language to another, none of the poetry seems to be lost. Mike Regenstreif, Sing Out! Summer 2007 (review Pashtes) Loriginalite de cette annee tient peut etre de la venue des artistes canadiens de renomee mondiale, Lenka Lichtenberg et Brian Katz, qui, outre le concert vedette du samedi soir, ont propose un atelier danimation a la methode Yidrhythmics que Brian Katz a mis au point en sinspirant de lEurythmie de Jacques Dalcroze, les participants a cet atelier, se produisant ensuite sur scene La Revue Juive, July 2007 (Geneva festival) "There is an emerging group of Toronto-based Jewish jazz divas -Theresa Tova is another and Lichtenberg is moving towards the head of the class quickly, if her new CD is any indication." George Robinson, The New York Jewish Week, December, 2006 (review Pashtes) Programming -duo: at the core of our repertoire are songs from our CD Pashtes. As well, our program offers unique settings of traditional songs in Yiddish, Hebrew, Ladino, French, Russian, and English. We also offer a variety of very popular workshops, pls contact us for details and references.

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