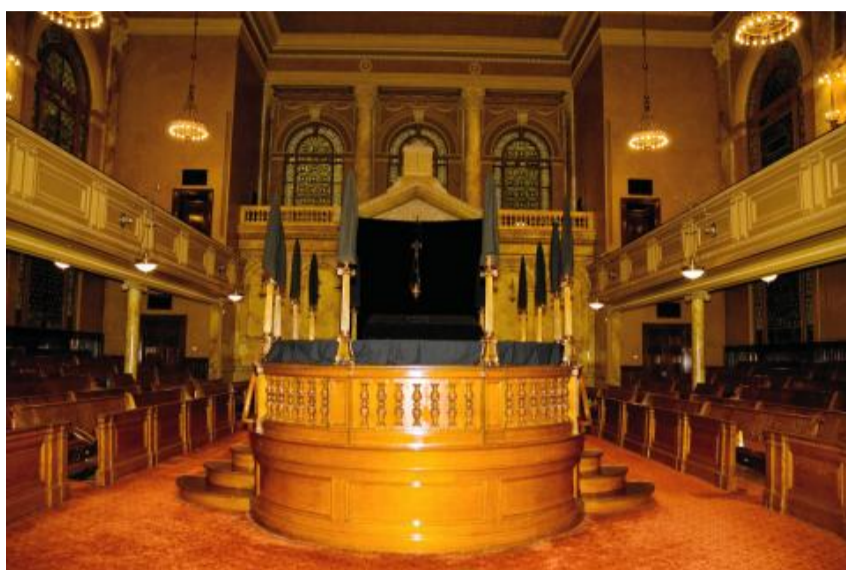


World Premiere of Joelle Wallach's *Scalerica d'oro* on
October 11 at Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue
in the City of New York



Joelle Wallach's **Scalerica d'oro** for cello and percussion will be given its World Premiere performance by cellist Regina Mushaba and percussionist William Trigg on Thursday, October 11 - 7:30 PM at the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, 2 West 70th Street in Manhattan.

This will be part of **Jewish Music for Cello in Our Times**, an evening of cello compositions sponsored by the Shearith Israel League.

Dr. Wallach writes about the new work, "**Scalerica d'oro**, for cello and middle Eastern percussion, was commissioned in 2012 by the Shearith Israel League, for premiere by cellist Regina Mushaba at the historic Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue of the City of New York. **Scalerica d'oro** combines Middle Eastern percussion patterns, based on Arabic rhythmic modes with melodies and gestures of the Jewish Mediterranean. They interact and exuberantly engage to create an exhilarating vision of hope, joy and reconciliation."

Also on the program is the cello and piano version of Wallach's **Shadow, Sighs and Songs of Longing**, (originally a concerto for cello and orchestra) which was inspired by the elegiac beauty of Yaddo's winter landscape and the tragic family history inscribed there. The piece was written in the room to which Mrs. Trask retired for the last years of her sad life, and **Shadow, Sighs and Songs of Longing** is dedicated to her legacy. It is a four-movement work for accompanied cello, each movement reflecting differently on what might have been the psychological landscape of Kristina Trask's memories, apparitions and reflections. More about it at http://www.joellewallach.com/shadow_solo.html.

Tickets for the October 11 concert are \$10 and will be available at the door. For more information, please call 212-758-5738 or visit <http://www.shearithisrael.org/content/jewish-music-cello-our-times>.

The 4Tay label has released two new CDs of Joelle Wallach's music - **The Door Standing Open** - a collection of songs and chamber works (CD 4034) - <http://www.cdbaby.com/cd/joellewallach> and **The Nightwatch** - more songs and solo piano works (CD 4035) - <http://www.cdbaby.com/cd/joellewallach2>.

More about her at <http://www.joellewallach.com>.

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