



The European Cantors Association welcomes the
New West End Synagogue – Bayswater, London
 participating in the nationwide festival:



From Our Lips...
Celebrating Synagogue Music



Shabbat 30 March 2024

The New West End Synagogue has been at the cutting edge of Jewish life since it was established in 1879. This 'New' synagogue catering for emancipated Jews who had moved to the West End of London was one of the recently established United Synagogue's first major projects. Right from the start this was where the action was. Their first Minister was Simeon Singer who compiled the ubiquitous Singers Daily Prayer Book and DM Davis, compiler of the 'Blue Book' of synagogue music in 1899 was their Music Director. Many of its future ministers, cantors and members were amongst the leading innovators and citizens of the day including Samuel Montague, Banker, philanthropist, and Liberal MP (later Lord Swaythling). On the Zionist front, Herbert Samuel, its protagonist, Lord Rothschild to whom the Balfour Declaration was addressed and Chaim Weizman, who became the first President of the State of Israel were members of this shul in the inter-war years, as were Simon Marks and his family who did so much to promote the Zionist cause. Rabbi Louis Jacobs was the Rabbi at the time of the upheaval when the United Synagogue cancelled his certificate, and he went off, with his supporters, to establish the New London Synagogue. Read Elkan Levy's fascinating [History of New West End Synagogue](#)

What to Expect in New West End Synagogue 'From Our Lips ...' Resident Choir, Mosaic Voices with cantor Marc Joseph conducted by Michael Etherton (right) will sing **Avinu Shebashamayim** S. Zim/arr. B. Till; **Eitz Chayim** N. Blumenthal/B. Till; **Mechalkeil** B. Till; **Finchley Kedushah** B. Till; **Sim Shalom** M. Cohen; **Ein Keloheinu** J. Mombach ; **Adon Olam** (Scarborough Fair) Trad. / B. Till.



All are welcome. Register in advance eli@newwestend.org.uk

Saturday 30 March. 020 7229 2631 New West End Synagogue, St Petersburg Place, Bayswater, London W2 4JT website: <https://www.newwestend.org.uk/>
 Full Festival Celebrating Synagogue Music programme is on the ECA Website www.cantors.eu

