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The Cycle Completes...and Begins Again

Happy Simchat Torah! Jewish people around the world are rejoicing in the holy book, marking the completion of its reading, and preparing to start the year-long journey again. At the Milken Archive, we are celebrating a completion of our own cycle, Volume 4: *Cycle of Life in Synagogue and Home* with two new albums, including musical settings for Purim, Sukkot and Simchat Torah!

The two new albums also mark the completion our three-album series, *Festivals (Mo'adim) and Other Occasions on the Liturgical Calendar* that began with our Passover release. The styles and contributing artists on this

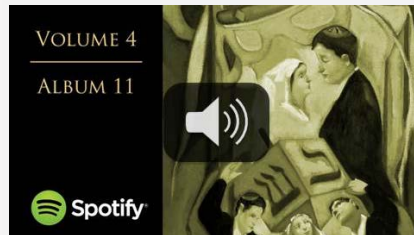
release are as varied as the holidays themselves. Composers include Samuel Adler, Moshe Ganchoff, Meir Finkelstein, Debbie Friedman, Herbert Fromm, Max Helfman, Meyer Machtenberg, Robert Srassburg, Hugo Weisgall, with performances by Alberto Mizrahi, the New York Cantorial Choir, Finchley Children's Music Group and Schola Hebraeica, among others.

Begin



Start the "cycle" by streaming the music of Shavuot, Hallel, and Sukkot, **free on Spotify**.

Continue



Keep spirits high with **music from festive holidays** to come: **Simhat Torah** and **Purim**.

Start Over



Tablet Magazine explores a day in the life of **Orthodox singer** and viral sensation **Lipa Schmeltzer**.

The release also includes Issachar Miron's *Psalms of Israel: A Hallel Oratorio*. The cantata contains settings of some of the Psalms of praise that comprise the liturgical recitation of Hallel, which is included in services for Passover, Sukkot, and Hanukka, but may also be recited at secular celebrations year-round. Miron passed away this past January, but his music lives on.

Life—and Jewish history—is not lacking in tragedy, which is all the more reason for us to celebrate the festive holidays on our calendars. Fortunately, we have beautiful music to inspire us to do just that.

Learn more about these works, the celebrations and artists in our full press release

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Festivals (Mo'adim) and Other Occasions
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