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### **MAC Award Nominee Naomi Miller performed at the Bloomfield Public Library - May 2, 2007**



MAC Award Nominee Naomi Miller performed her Cabaret show *From Klezmer to Broadway* on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 PM for a very enthusiastic crowd in the Bloomfield Public Library's Little Theatre.

Patrons loved the interaction between Ms. Miller and the audience. She brought the Jewish Experience to the crowd with humor and song. This was a joyous event which showed that people can triumph after adversity, as we observe Holocaust Remembrance Month.

Naomi Miller loves to entertain. She has been performing since grade school, when she was discovered while singing in the acoustically tiled walls

of the mikveh run by her parents for Paterson's Jewish community. Born in Landsburg, Germany, in a displaced persons camp after the War, Naomi's first language and first love was Yiddish. As she grew up to the sounds of the Jewish shows on WEVD radio, Naomi dreamed that one day she, too, would be on radio.

And that dream has come true! The songs from her first two hit recordings, *Yiddish is in My Genes* and *Keeping Our Dreams Alive* are played on Jewish radio shows everyday from Boston to Miami, from Los Angeles to New York. Her newest CDs, *From Klezmer to Broadway* and *From Broadway to Klezmer*, are just recently released and are sure to be hits.

In her college years, Naomi joined with another singer and guitarist to form The Demoiselles, an international duo that performed in all of the folk, Israeli, and Mediterranean clubs in Greenwich Village. Later, as the lead in Naomi's Chevreh, a singing and dancing troupe, Naomi appeared on numerous cable TV and radio shows. She has continued to do so in her solo act, including regular appearances on Gary Wagner's *Jewish Entertainment Hour*.

Naomi has performed concerts throughout the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, Greece and Israel. For several years, she was a featured performer at The Wallington Exchange, an international nightclub, where she expanded her repertoire to include Pop and Broadway music. When Yitzhak Shamir, then the prime minister of Israel, arrived in the USA, it was Naomi who was selected to perform for him. She has performed at Cafe Baba, a noted Israeli cafe, as a selected lead performer to celebrate its 25th anniversary.

Naomi also had the distinction of being selected as one of the top ten Jewish female performers in the country by *Lilith* magazine. Naomi's music has perpetuated a language that was almost lost in the Holocaust and has inspired new songs that touch our hearts and our minds. As one reviewer put it, "Every good Jewish feeling we've ever had." In 2000 Miller was nominated for "Best Debut Act" by the Manhattan Association of Cabarets & Clubs (MAC).

We invite you to come to the library during the month of May to see our Holocaust Survivor Memorial Exhibit, *To Tomorrow's Children*, which is located in Conference Room #2. This traveling exhibit is on loan from Brookdale Community College's Center for Holocaust Studies, and features the photos and words of survivors. More information about the Center for Holocaust Studies can be found at <http://www.holocaustbcc.org/>.

The barrier-free Bloomfield Public Library is located at 90 Broad Street in Bloomfield. For reservations or more information please call (973) 566-6200 x 220.

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