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A Light in Israel

Performed by Richard B and Cantor Benjie-Ellen Schiller and Camp Kutz Orchestra and Choir. Genre: Musical Theater for Young Adults

Year Completed: 1979 First Performance date and notes:

1979 Toronto Canada

Commission/Sponsor: Union of American Hebrew Union Congregations

Concert Type: Spoken Word and Song (solos and Chorus) with Chamber

Instrumentation and performance notes;

Size of ensemble: medium

Duration of piece or page length: 30 Minutes Publisher: Chatterbox Media

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Zeh Ehli (This is My God) Sacred Service

Performed by University Synagogue Cantor and Choir Genre: Hebraic theatrical and liturgical music Year Completed: 1978

First Performance date and notes: 1978

Commission/Sponsor: University Synagogue, Los Angeles, CA

Concert Type: Sabbath Service; Full orchestra with solo voices

Cantatas, Oratorios, Stage works, Symphonic/chamber pieces

Instrumentation and performance notes;

Size of ensemble: medium

Duration of piece or page length: 32 Minutes

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Isaiah

Performed by Cantor Don Alan Croll, vocalist, Anselm Rothschild, piano.

Genre: Hebraic theatrical and liturgical music

Year Completed: 1980

First Performance date and notes: 1980 Bnai Brith building NY, NY.

Commission/Sponsor: Commissioned by Albie Rosenhaus

Concert Type: Oratorio with chamber orchestra Instrumentation and performance notes;

Size of ensemble: medium

Duration of piece or page length: 12 Minutes

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Anselm Rothschild, American Composer and Humanitarian 1950–1990

Anselm's life was motivated by a search for beauty, meaning, for authentic relationships, and by a belief that what we do to make the world work really matters to one another and, maybe, to God.

Anselm's music showcases his humanitarian soul, wrapped in poetic and musical genius.

Anselm's life was lived for young people's theater, sacred music, and human rights. He was not afraid to answer the calls heard by his generation, to solve world hunger, in particular. He rose to the challenge of AIDS, personally and as an producer and leader.

Anselm wrote some beautiful love songs, too!

In this expanded 2nd edition, dozens of wonderful songs, sacred music and orchestral works developed by the composer and performed by renowned vocalists including Cantors, Rabbis and youth ensembles are now available for the first time in a single volume.

Several are pieces written for youth in the Jewish camp movement of the 1970s and '80s. Others were created in workshops when the composer was in residence with the North American Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY), by the American Union of Hebrew Congregations, by Los Angeles temple Valley Beth Shalom, and as composer-in-residence at University Synagogue.

Especially interesting are the dramatic recitatives in A Light in Israel that trace the history of the labor movement as a key thread in the ideals of American Judaism. through a mystical series of events that go throughout a few lifetimes of a boy, David and his mentor and friend Clara Lemlich, a character modeled after a leader in the shirtwaist labor conflict of 1909. These are: *I Am Clara Lemlich*, *Gomper's Speech*, *The Oath*, and *Strike*!

The themes of redemption and reconciliation continue in his work for the ADL. The Messengers, his last musical journey for NFTY, completed, staged and performed for NFTY's 50th Anniversary in New Orleans in December of 1989 by Anselm and his incredible team, including Merrie and Ramie Arian and Don Kroll.

Anselm Rothschild American Composer, 1950–1990

Anselm Rothschild devoted his considerable musical and organizational talents to the pursuits of ideal and realized forms of social justice, labor justice, and human rights. Anselm's life in young people's theater, sacred music, and human rights. But like any musician, he would like you to know where he played:

- Co-Producer Soviet Emigre Orchestra, Ambassador Auditorium, Los Angeles. Carnegie Hall, March and April 1981. Chamber orchestra of the finest of the recently arrived emigres from Russia.
- Assistant To The Composer Music Coordinator FAME
 Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer television pilot. November 1980 to
 February 1981. Assisted Michael Gore, auditioned and
 hired musical extras, rehearsed musicians, designed music
 sets with art director, consulted on script, coordinated
 score with composer, music and film editors.
- Music Director, "And Jacob Went On His Way," one man revue, Los Angeles, 1980.
- Music Director/Composer, National Federation of Temple Youth, National Orchestra and Chorus, 1979.
- Music Director, Southern California Federation of Temple Youth, 1978-79. An orchestra of Jewish Junior and Senior High School students from the Los Angeles metropolitan area.
- Music Consultant to "Discovery" Teen Workshop 1978
- Music Director/Composer in Residence, Union of American Hebrew Congregations Youth Leadership Camp, Warwick, N.Y., Summers 1977-79.
- Music Director Beth Shalom synagogue, Santa Monica 1977-78.
- Music Director, Doodletown Pipers Spring Tour 1977 Pop, rock, singing group.
- Music Consultant to "Open Road," Young Adult Apprenticeship Program Santa Barbara, California, 1976.
- Cal-Arts Ragtime Ensemble-Creator, entrepreneur, producer, director, agent and pianist for the Cal Arts sixteen piece orchestra.



After studying at the preparatory division of the Julliard School of Music, Anselm earned his Bachelor's Degree in International Development from the University of New York at Buffalo, where he also studied piano with Leo Smit.

He continued his training at California Institute of the Arts, studying piano with Lee Hambro, conducting with Gerhard Samuel, and composition with Bill Kraft, and was awarded a Master's Degree in Piano. Anselm wrote many beautiful cantatas, oratorios, and love songs, many of which are in this volume.

Later, as Artist in Residence at Camp Kutz of the Union of American Hebrew Congregation, Anselm created parts of a sacred Sabbath service called This is My God, (Zeh Eyli) and first performed it with the camp orchestra and singers.

As composer-in-residence at University Synagogue, Anselm added orchestrations. This is My God has been performed several times by temples around the world.

Shortly before his untimely death in 1990, Anselm worked heroically to compose, orchestrate, and produce a performance of his last major musical work, The Messengers. With the anthem *Remember to Remember*, it was staged and performed in New Orleans in December of 1989 by Anselm and his incredible collaborators.

To further the humanitarian goals that Anselm lived for, we are releasing songs, orchestrations, and audio recordings, allocating any profits to support hunger reduction and emergency nutrition programs, a cause that Anselm passionately supported.

Visionary Against Hunger

Anselm was a founding member of the Hunger Project and End Hunger Network, still going strong today.

Anselm was a pioneer in two major endeavors: as an organizer and leading voice in the War on Hunger, and as a mentor who introduced generations of young people to humanitarian ideals through music.

While still in college in Buffalo NY, in 1969 he produced the first ever March Against Hunger in the United

States. Thousands of people participated and it was a huge success. Ans was a leader of so many seminal events in the 20th century movement to end hunger, leading to the End Hunger Project spreading around around the world today in action.

Why this still matters: Anselm's music was always more than melody.

He showed that music was a way to turn moral conviction into creative expression – a way to move hearts and shape action.

It was grounded in a humanitarian vision — one that feels increasingly urgent today. His work invites us to find empathy for one another and grow it into ethical action. Introduce young people to moral aspiration through art, Inspire compassion for life itself.

1968 Organized the Freedom From Hunger Foundations first

1969 Co-organized the Buffalo March on Hunger, creating the prototype for future fundraising walk-a-thons across the world.

1969 Delegate to International Peace Conference, The Hague 1976 Meals For Millions, Consultant

1977 The Hunger Project, Founding Organizing Committee 1980

Los Angeles World Hunger Event, Consultant

1981 End Hunger Televent, Consultant

"Walk for Development"

1982 End Hunger Network, Program Director

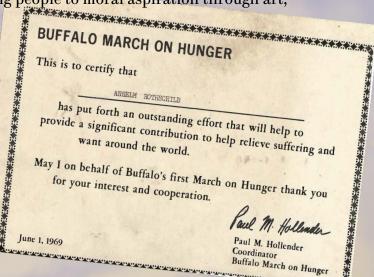
1984-1985 President's World Without Hunger Awards, Created and Produced

1985 Live Aid, Head Writer, Coordinating Producer

1988 National AIDS Quill Tour, Producer of Los Angeles opening ceremonies

1989 Mastership with Able Aganbegyan, President Gorbachev's Chief Economic Advisor

1989 Project Open Hand, Consultant to San Francisco-based meals for homebound AIDS patients





THE MARCH ON HUNGER

Students March So Others May Eat

Approximately 10,000 students from Buffalo high schools and colleges were to participate in a UB-coordinated "March on Hunger," May 4, to buy food for starving people in the U.S. and abroad.

The program, with the endorsement of Buffalo Mayor Frank Sedita, was coordinated by UB sophomore Paul Hollender in cooperation with the American Freedom from Hunger Foundation, Washington, D.C.

Adults and students participating in the March followed a predefined route of 20 miles through the city. Each was sponsored by a local business-man, a friend or relative who paid a predetermined amount for each mile completed. Checkers along the march route validated special identification booklets to assure sponsors that their marchers followed and completed the route.

The money collected will be distributed through the Foundation to self-help projects in the Buffalo community, South Carolina, Biafra, and the Andes of Peru. Locally, project ECCO (The East Side Community Cooperative Organization) will receive 20 per cent of the funds to assist in organizing a consumer education program and in establishing a food co-op with the help of the East Side Coalition of Churches and Agencies.

On the day of the March, students and adults were to meet early in the morning at a central location for very brief starting ceremonies. They were to leave en masse, walking the route in a body. First Aid teams were to be on hand to treat blisters and other problems.

Anselm was Program Director for The End Hunger Network.

From The L.A. Reader, 1980:

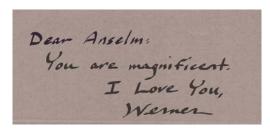
Anselm Rothschild is a slightly-built 35-year old who just so happens to know more about hunger than anyone in America. As one of his associates puts it, "Anselm lives it."

"The Network, says Rothschild, is "the ad agency for the end of hunger."

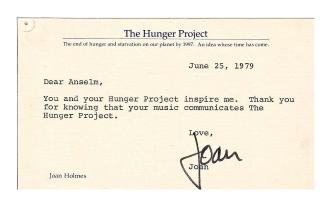
Rothschild helps provide informative materials to over 110 private voluntary organizations such as C.A.R.E. and UNICEF. Using the power of mass media, Hollywood celebrities, and a broad-based coalition designed to develop a worldwide constituency to end hunger by the year 2000. Not partisan, sectarian or ideological, the L.A.-based, ten-employee, \$1 million-a- year operation was responsible for all the educational segments seen on the Live Aid telecast.

Anselm offered this optimistic view,

"Don't miss out on the joy of ending hunger on the planet. Don't miss it! This is the major event! The event of the century! The event of mankind! This is what has never been done before. The landing on the moon you could watch and feel proud that people could achieve such a thing but you didn't really participate. You can participate in the end of hunger. How can you miss this?"







EST

Anselm was a devotee of the Werner Erhard Seminar Training, aka EST and The Forum, a transformational methodology centered on personal responsibility, authenticity, and the creation of new possibilities for one's life.

Jeremy Swerling offers, "It was an uplifting and enlightening experience to work with Anselm, in no small part because of his devotion to the Training, which he had made a big part of his life. He was eager to share his experience of EST and to see how it could help guide friends like me through turbulent times."

The Hunger Project

With the founding of the Hunger Project with celebrity Leaders Jeff Bridges, Valerie Harper, Joan Holmes, Anselm found a new vehicle for his passion.

In 1982 he became Program Director.

He co-created and Produced the 1984-1985 President's World Without Hunger Awards, and was Coordinating Producer and Head Writer for the 1985 Live Aid Concert.

Cast Members

A Light in Israel was composed and mounted by Anselm and the 16-year-olds of Camp Kutz and performed at the NFTY 40th Anniversary convention in Toronto in 1979





left to right: front row: David Sandmel, Budd Mishkin, and Ramie Arian back row: Benjie-Ellen Schiller, Anselm, Steve Schiller, Don Croll



A Light in Israel, Original Program

A LIGHT IN ISRÆL

PROGRAM NOTE: It is often difficult to face what seems to be an apparent fact—that we really don't make a difference, that our vote doesn't count, that we don't matter. This feeling can be immobilizing, deadening. It's not a question of "What to do?" There are many of us who contribute time, money and talent to our jobs, to worthy causes, to family, and still don't experience making a difference.

Yet we all do want to contribute, to mean something. So how do we experience making a difference and can we communicate to other people how they can experience making a difference?

I wrote this piece in part to find out. The piece might answer it for you and it might not.

A Light In Israel is about one person's desire to make a difference to his people and the world and what he finds in his search.

-A.R.

HISTORICAL NOTE: On November 22, 1909, exactly seventy years ago, a meeting of 3,000 teenagers was held at Cooper Union in N.Y. which changed the course of American labor history. Many of the big labor speakers of the day were there-prepared to discuss what course of action should be taken to better the horrendous working conditions in the shirtwaist industry. (Most of the shirtwaist makers were Jewish girls who made \$3.50 a week.) After hours of talk, a seventeen year old girl, Clara Lemlich, asked for the floor. When she was finished speaking the first successful strike in the garment industry had been launched. The ramifications were far reaching. Upper class women saw the strike as a women's issue and supported the girls by publicizing their plight and paying for bail. Conditions were bettered somewhat. But perhaps the most important legacy of this teenagers strike was that its' success encouraged the cloakmakers to strike. Out of the cloakmaker's brutal strike came the "Protocol of Peace", a document forged by the Jewish community led by Louis Brandeis and based in essence on the Torah; a document which created fair hiring and firing practices, mediation boards and health guarantees; a document which became the model for labor legislation across America.



Anselm with Donna Robinson

Sid Sheres, Anselm, and Robert Blackman, boys from Van Cortlandt

RICHARD E. BRENIN BENJIE-ELLEN SCHILLER

(David) (Clara Lemlich)

CANTOR DON ALAN CROLL (Samuel Gompers)

THE NFTY ORCHESTRA AND CHORUS

Book, Music and Lyrics, Conducted by Chorus directed by **Production Coordinators**

Assistant Conductor

ANSELM ROTHSCHILD ANSELM ROTHSCHILD MERRI LOVINGER ARIAN RABBI RAMIE ARIAN & DAVID RUSSELL JEREMY SWERLING

CANTOR NORMAN Drama Coach SWERLING

RABBI ALLAN L. SMITH Executive Producer

TIME: Today, North America

MUSICAL NUMBERS:

Let Me Be a Light in Israel Who do You Think You Are? The Weather Where Are the Youth of the Sixties?

Come Play a Big Game You Don't Want Lights to See Gompers' Speech Clara's Speech STRIKE! The Oath I Have Been Lucky Let Me Be a Light in Israel (reprise)

David, Clara and Chorus

Chorus Clara David Gompers Clara Clara & Chorus Chorus David & Clara

David & Chorus

Dedicated by the Composer to Albie and Katharine Rosenhaus

NFTY CHORUS: Jill Arthur, Alli Bieber, Randy Goldstein, Julie Hoffman, Gail Honigman, Sonya Horowitz, Jana Jacobson, Dave Jaffe, Leah Kaufman, Marcy Liebnick, Jeff Marcus, David Moore, Daniel Severson, Patty Seyburn, Mark Solomon, Becky Stamler, Karen Wasserman, Penny Weinstein, Sally Zanar, Debbie Zecher, Sharon Zeigelman

NFTY ORCHESTRA: Brooke Ashman, Roger Baron, Michael Bobell, Daniel Bravmann, Susan Caro, Jonathan Cohen, Lisa Cohen, Sasha Cohen, Marna Dolinger, Anita Glazer, Wendy Katz, Mitchell Kopnick, Jonathan Marks, Daniel Ozeran, Steve Ozeran, Sara Reiter, Jonathan Richmond, David Roseman, Mark Rosenstein, Steve Schiller, Steven Schwartzman, Amy Shiner, Norman Shiner, Karen Sternthal, Jackie







A reminiscence by Cynthi Stephanoni

ike so many of us, I was blessed to share quality time with Ans and considered him my mentor in the production of live events. We accomplished much together, Live Aid being one thing, the Los Angeles AIDS Quilt Event being another. But one of the greatest memories that I have is when Ans asked me to come and sing for high holy days with the choir he led. He asked me if I could sight read and I said "Yes, but I'd like to go over the music with you prior to sitting in." He agreed that it would be a good idea, so I went to the apartment one night and we sat down on

the piano bench together. Ans opened a very LARGE volume of music and began to play. We went through a few pieces for about half an hour and Anselm turned to me and said 'You're right. You read very well. This should be no problem' to which I replied as follows: 'Thanks, Ans. It's beautiful music . . . when were you going to tell me that it was in HEBREW???' We both had a good laugh over that small omission of his for years to come . . . and it turns out that sight reading in a foreign language is not so hard if you just give yourself over to it!

A reminiscence by Jeremy Swerling, Colleague and Conductor

I first met Anselm during the summer of 1978 at Kutz Camp in Warwick, NY. I was 17 and was getting ready to enter my senior year at high school. Though I was at Kutz because of its dynamic Jewish experience, I had begun to study orchestral conducting and somehow Anselm and I connected. I think we were introduced to each other by Merri Lovinger, now Merri Lovinger Arian. I was immediately drawn to his energy and musicianship, and we quickly established a close relationship. He was eager to help me on my path to becoming a conductor and I was very receptive to the help. What I brought to the relationship was an intimate knowledge of many of the camp songs that were being sung in those days since I had "grown up" attending Kutz camp as a faculty brat from the time I was about 10 and as a camper at Eisner Camp in Great Barrington, MA. My father, Cantor Norman Swerling, was on the Kutz faculty for many years and then he became the director of the Eisner Camp. As a result of the many summers I spent at these camps, the songs we sang along with the ruach (spirit) with which they were sung had become a part of my Jewish DNA.

During the summer of 1979, I returned to Kutz as a camp counselor having graduated high school and we spent another summer working together on camp music projects. He also accompanied me when I performed the Brahms Clarinet Sonata in the "Torah Corp" dining room as part of a talent night. We had grown close and ours was a relationship of mentor and mentee. As a 17 and 18 year old, I was starting to come out of my adolescent shell and discovering who I could become. Like many, I was a little bit lost in the wind. Anselm picked up on this. I grew to trust and benefit from his optimistic outlook and his fun loving energy and love for people. But of most importance was his guidance in how to deal with the emotions and insecurities I had. Anselm was a devotee of the Werner Erhard Seminar Training, aka EST, and he was eager to share his experience of EST and to see how it could help guide me through these turbulent times. It was an uplifting and enlightening experience to work with Anselm in no small part because of his devotion to the Training, which he had made a big part of his life.

The summer of 1979 was when the possibility of the composition of "A Light in Israel" was born. Anselm's energy had spread through the camp community and even the crusty "Smitty", aka Rabbi Alan Smith, the director of Kutz Camp and an executive of the Reform Movement had come to love and appreciate Anselm. As a result, Anselm was asked to compose something for the forthcoming convention in Toronto. The rehearsals and performance of this staged oratorio turned out to be a huge hit at the convention. It involved a large chorus and numerous soloists as well as a small orchestra. Anyone who has ever taken part in a school or community musical will understand the artistic high this can create. Throw in dozens of teenagers and you can imagine the time that was had by all. I assisted Anselm in the final preparations of the score, the creation of the parts and the rehearing of the show. It was my first big taste of being near the center of a production. It changed a lot of people's lives, especially mine.

Anselm was intrigued with these camp songs, and he was smitten with the spirit in which they were sung, and he joined in with great enthusiasm. He loved the melodies, the texts and the way they were sung with guitar as well as the song leaders who taught them. As with many other people at camp, Anselm's Jewish experience really blossomed during this period. As musicians, we were both intrigued by the possibility of arranging some of the songs for instrumental settings. There were a number of people at camp with instruments and Anselm was keen to get them all together to play some of these songs as an ensemble. We were both extremely excited by the prospect and we set about creating the arrangements. My clearest recollection of them was the "NYFTY Overture". This was a medley of camp songs arranged to sound like a Broadway overture. Anselm and I worked on it tirelessly in preparation for an event near the end of camp at which it was performed. The experience of working on that project had a major impact on me. Working with Anselm was inspiring and exciting to me as a budding musician.

Anselm was a terrific pianist and had also studied conducting and composition. So we had endless discussions and sometimes debates about music, and he gave me the honor of collaborating with him on the arranging of the NYFTY Overture.

I had never been part of anything like that. So it was thrilling. The Overture was performed to great success, and I had a chance to conduct it as well.

When I went off to college, I kept in touch with Anselm. I even went to visit him in California. He let me drive his Volkswagen Beetle and he showed me around the area. This led to my own decision to attend the Training. The Training had a major and positive impact on me. I grew to be more confident and secure as a person and it helped me find my way as a young adult, especially as it related to relationships with young women.

The Training was integral to the development of my sense of integrity and honesty, which became and remains one of the pillars of my experience. It also gave me insight into how to deal with challenges in life. I came to understand Anselm's view of life and why he always seemed to be so positive. During this period, I also followed him into the "Hunger Project" with which he was so active. The Training and the Hunger Project also had an impact on my burgeoning relationship with the woman I would ultimately marry, Amy Helsel, who also participated. Were it not for Anselm and the Training, I doubt I would have married my wife of 40 years because my life would have gone in a different direction. Anselm attended our wedding in 1986, and that was, sadly, the last time I would see him. To this day, my wife tells me that I spent more time with him at the wedding than I did with her. In the years that followed, we drifted apart a little bit and the next thing I knew, he had become sick with AIDS and was dying. Losing Anselm was tragic, not just for me but for so many others whose lives he touched. "Making a difference" in people's lives was Anselm's raison d'etre, his modus operandi, his core and his mission. Everything he did in his public and private life was centered around that.

I can't imagine what my life would have looked like had I not met Anselm. Knowing him was pivotal in my personal and professional life and his memory is a blessing to me and A Light Unto the Nations.

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	The theme of the show.		
I Have Been Lucky I Found You	A Light In Israel	In which David sings of his realization of finding a purpose, a wonderful new treasure, and so now is the affection and connection to the person who awakened him, Clara.	
Come Play a Big Game	A Light In Israel	Get out of your comfort zone and feel the thrill of a life worth living.	
This Is What It Looks Like	134	A 70's-style ballad that evokes the Burt Bacharach era.	
All The World Sings to You	Zeh Ehli	A rousing interpretation of liturgy Ahavat Olam, praise for the Hebrew G-d. (In Hebrew, French and English!)	
Let Me Hear You Lord	Zeh Ehli	Spiritual Lyrical duet	
Avot, A Hebrew Prayer	Zeh Ehli	Choral setting of liturgy	
Justice, Justice Shall You Pursue	In celebration of David Smith from Russel family, Darnton Family, Paul Jones	"There are cool running streams but more than this I know: Justice is the treasure of my life."	
Dans Le Mirage	Cal Arts Master's Recital	An Anthem to brotherhood, sung in French.	
Underneath that Exterior	The Messengers	David's ideals are being diluted by materialism. Two rivals for David's affection overlook his character change differently in a light-hearted lyrical duet.	
		Later on, three Angels of God appear and tell a few jokes; then they explain the healing that they have done, and plead to the warring tribes of the children of Abraham for forgiveness for one another.	
Remember to Remember	The Messengers	Perfect song for funerals and memorials. Single vocalist or small choir.	
Zacharti Lach	. The Messengers	. An Israeli style dance.	

A Light in Israel



A Light in Israel

Reprise for Chorus



Reminiscence from Sidney Sheres

was fortunate enough to grow up with Anselm, in the Amalgamated Co-Ops, a leafy neighborhood in the Bronx, New York. It was a neighborhood of apartment houses built by by the Amalgamated Garment workers Union in then-rural north Bronx, surrounded by Van Cortland Park. It was called the Co-ops because it was community owned and managed property. This shaped us by providing a real example of ethical ownership and a faith in the value of a labor union. Many of the original union members and others who bought apartments in 1954 were Jewish, and they brought their secularly Jewish ethical and Yiddish traditions, and a small synagogue.

Anselm great-grandfather was said to be a Jewish son of the famous Rothschild banking family, who came to America from Germany in 1850s and later joined the Union Army.

Anselm was raised as a secular and ethical Jew by his parents, Abraham Lincoln Rothschild, a cabinet maker, and Miriam Rosen, an accomplished pianist and teacher. He absorbed a strong sense of justice, and a strong sense for music. From his mother Miriam and from the "shul" in the ground floor of 100 Van Cortland Park South, Anselm heard and learned melodies, both secular and Jewish. Anselm began his classical training as the son and pupil of his mother Miriam. I remember how delighted he was to attend New York's High School of Music and Art. Anselm was inspired by Leonard Bernstein's musical outreach to children, the Young People's Concerts. I know that Anselm also felt a kinship to the composer and lyricist Stephen Sondheim, and followed the style and spirit of the Broadway master.

Anselm became involved with the Jewish camp movement, using his unique way of inspiring young people to create music with him. In the process, he came close to his own Jewish roots and became a Bar Mitzvah in his 20's, in an era when older Bar Mitzvahs were uncommon.

And in the '80s, moved to Santa Monica, California, where he found a niche as musical director for synagogue Valley Beth Shalom, under the renowned Rabbi Harold M. Schulweis. He was Composer-in-Residence at University Synagogue in Los Angeles where he developed and produced the sacred service called Zeh Ehli– This is My God. It was performed by Cantor Jay Freilich and Rabbi Alan Freehling under the direction of Susan Rosenthal.

During this period, he came out as a joyous gay man and developed important musical and personal relationships with the Los Angeles community. He was sustained and supported by his partner, Don Krim. Don is a featured singer on the song Come Touch My Heart, and is now a counter-tenor, performing around the world.

Before the last musical and humanitarian event that Anselm produced, his funeral in January 1990, there were some notable achievements. Anselm facilitated meetings with the Russians at UN. He co-produced the Aids Quit event in Los Angeles. He composed and produced a performance of The Messengers, an epic work of musical theater for young people, that completed Anselm's trilogy of major works.

Through the end of his illness, all of us his support team, faithful, hanging in there with him, always his people networking with our love.

Anselm was a terrific lyricist and melody flowed from him with ease.

from Jeremy Swerling, Composer and Conductor

While I knew him, he composed many of the songs and pieces that are published in this remembrance and I can remember hearing some of them for the first time. His music doesn't "sound like" anyone else's. Yet it relates to people like so much popular music of the 70s in its touching emotions. At the same time, the classical musicians out there can hear the influences of Brahms, Schubert and Ravel. As with so many musical geniuses, the mind boggles at what we lost because he didn't live longer. He was determined to write meaningful Jewish liturgical music that could be loved by all.

A Universal Force:

Jack Healey, American human rights activist, author and the former director of Amnesty International USA.

Anselm's connection to Jerusalem moved Anselm to write music for the ages that were coming, but also for the ages that had passed.

He was absorbed in the wisdom of the past and moving into the present and leaving behind something for the future... He absorbed the past, wanted to help with the future, and did his best while he was here.

I think his contribution... was immense... The Music Can Live On!... I hope we can move his legacy forward especially now with human rights, because that's what Anselm was all about."

He was a positive person, one of the most positive people I've ever met... He moved without power or money. And that's what I try to do in my life, move without power and money and still get the job done... [Anselm was] a universal force to do good in the world. That surge in him was unique... unusual. I have never seen anything like it!"

Rabbi Merri Arian

Musical director for The Messengers, which Anselm wrote for NFTY's 50th anniversary in 1990.

We sing Anselm's Avot every year in my synagogue at High Holidays. The whole congregation sings along. It is a beauty. So many beautiful pieces from that Sacred service. I remember his K'dusha also being exceptional. My husband Ramie, and myself have always felt very blessed by our friendship with Anselm, and we miss him always.

A reminiscence from Anselm

In 1989, I worked with Kirk Bergstrom, and Mike Mitchell on a 24 hour global television show for the United Nation's International Year of Peace. In addition to just a few other areas of responsibility, I was responsible for music. I planned a 19-minute segment with Leonard Bernstein conducting the N.Y. Philharmonic Beethoven 9th Symphony 4th movement chorus, at the U.N! And with several other orchestras performing simultaneously from several other cities. What we had in mind was Moscow, Sidney or Tokyo, and Paris or London. The technical aspects of aligning dirge performances in different time zones, with the added problem of time delay going through satellites, was daunting, but we thought we could handle it somehow. I even called scientists at MIT to determine if we could beam Bernstein via hologram to the different orchestras. Alas, while they thought it was a great idea, hologram technology is not yet up to that (1989).

In any case, the show was canceled. But my dream to do the 9th with several cities was not canceled.

Kirk called, be at such an address in Irvine at 5:00 today. We're doing the 9th Symphony live from Montreal with choruses live in Moscow, Geneva and San Francisco!

Needless to say, I dropped everything, and went off to Irvine with my aunt and uncle, Irv and Agette Seron, who also dropped everything. It was a fantastic experience, if not the greatest interpretation of the 9th. A historic event. The first time an international simultaneous performance took place of the 9th. Bravo!

A reminiscence from Sidney

When we were 17 and living with our parents in the Bronx, Anselm convinced me to borrow my father's car for "a little trip." We drove all night south for 800 miles to Beaufort, South Carolina. It was an eye-opening visit to the rural south of the 1960's. Anselm was sent there by the American Freedom From Hunger Foundation to interview the director of

a clinic serving a rural black community. Next day, we drove back up to Washington, DC, to provide the information we gathered, which approved financial support from the foundation.

All the World Sings to You Ahavat Olam



Anselm Rothschild Trilogy 1

Songs of Compassion Commissioned by Anti-Defamation League

Song scores developed by The Anselm Project - Susan Forsythe - Laurie Ferber Podolsky

Message from The Anselm Project:

Anselm Rothschild believed in the power of music to move people. Are you one who knows that a note can heal, a word can calm, a rhythm inspire and a song cause people's spirits to soar?

Anselm worked to make a difference: in ending world hunger and poverty, promoting early understanding of the gay rights movement and addressing the AIDS crisis, even as he was in it.

The life works of Anselm include credits as a composer, producer, educator, and, most importantly to him, as a humanitarian.

Anselm was a person with indefatigable energy and great passion. He directed these qualities to the task of connecting people and inspiring them to create together a better world.

Inside Me

Beautifully exposes a person's emotions clashing with heart and mind in a sincere effort to change oneself and the world. The song makes a powerful connection to this ideal in the artists who perform it and the listeners who hear it.

Come Touch My Heart

This song causes the listener to imagine the life of a child living in extreme poverty. It works to make a connection between the listener and this child. It's a plea for unity of purpose and active compassion. The song speaks of a reality Anselm knew all too well. It is entirely possible that Anselm is remembering, in this poignant song, a child or children who had peered directly into his eyes during his travels while working to end world hunger.

Isaiah 58

The all-embracing message of Isaiah's Song makes it relevant to both sacred and secular groups.

Cantor Don Croll wrote, "Anselm, did I ever thank you for Isaiah??It's a piece that can uplift and move a Jewish congregation or a Christian congregation. I spoke to Dave who sang it for Lent and he said it was perfect ... Jan and I will be planting trees tomorrow ... bringing life and beauty to Los Angeles. That's kind of like what you've tried to do to the whole planet."

INSIDE ME

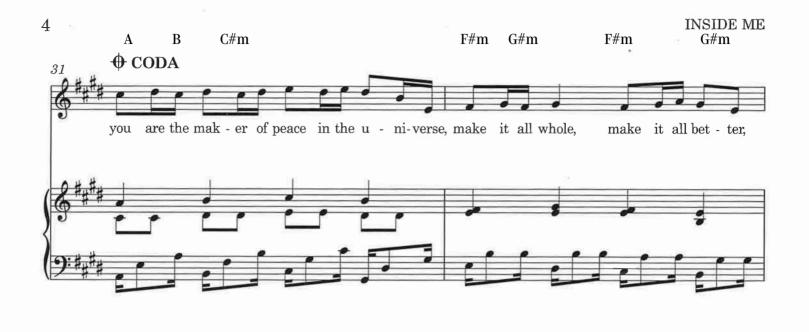
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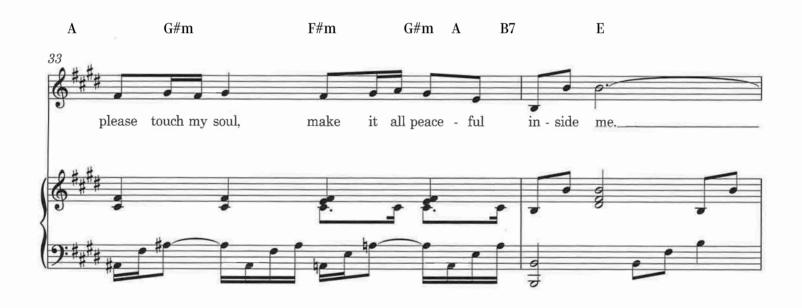


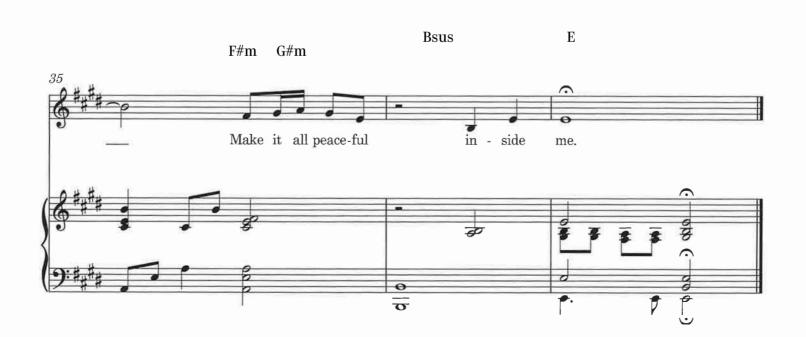


INSIDE ME









INSIDE ME

Inside me

There are suns, moons and galaxies waiting to be free.

There are hopes, dreams and promises in a frozen sea inside me.

Inside me

Is a dream that the world could be one democracy,

But I'm caught with a mind that maintains a tyranny inside me.

Well, if I am the son of the King of the Universe,

Why do I fear? Why do I worry?

Why do I cry?

Why do I never have enough?

Inside me

Are the wounds of the warriors sent to keep us free,

Are the cries of the victims of hate and bigotry, inside me.

Well if I am the son of the King of the Universe, Why do I hate?

Why do I anger?

Why do I lie?

Why do I envy anyone?

Inside me

There's a thought that the future may never ever be.

For I'm just one of many who gives humanity what's inside me.

So if you are the maker of peace in the universe, make it all whole, make it all better

Please touch my soul, Make it all peaceful.

Inside Me

ISAIAH 58

Is this the fast I asked you to keep? Is this the fast I asked for? Is this the fast I asked you to keep? Is this how God will hear you? By bowing your head like a bulrush? By sleeping on sackcloth and ash? By bowing your head like a bulrush, By crying of your small nature? Is not this the fast that I have chosen? To loosen the fetters of wickedness, To undo the bands of the yoke, To let the oppressed go free, To break every yoke.

So bring your food to the hungry Bring your bread to the poor, Care for the orphan and the widow Clothe the naked too. Honor your duties to your family. Do this and you'll be blessed.

Then shall your light break forth like the dawn and you'll grow stronger as a wound that's newly healed. Then shall your light break forth like the dawn and you'll grow stronger as a wound that's newly healed. Then when you call your God, He will answer you. Then when you call your God, She will answer you, And you'll grow stronger as a wound newly healed!

He Lives in Wisdom

He lives in wisdom Who sees himself in all And all in him Whose love for the Lord of Love has consumed every selfish desire and sense craving Tormenting the heart.

Not agitated by grief Nor hankering after pleasure,

He lives free from Lust and Fear and Anger.

Fettered no more by selfish

attachments, He is not elated by good fortune nor depressed by

And when you move amidst the world of sense, From both attachment and aversion freed, There comes the peace In which all sorrows end, and you live in the wisdom of the Soul

He is forever free, He who has broken from the cage of I and mine To be forever free.

Free and united ever with the Lord of Love.

This then is the highest state. Attain thou this and pass from death to immortality. Attain thou this and pass from death to immortality.

Such is the seer.

COME TOUCH MY HEART

Anselm Rothschild Intro: a cappella, freely Fmthe light that burns In the dark - ness you can in see side of me. The doors I'll o - pen for you all if I grow With driving ↑ rhythm (x2) (Piano) if I grow tall. strong, Verse 1 Gb Fm11 and in Ri - o Da-kar? I was born in De-troit and_ $\mathrm{E}\flat\mathrm{m}$ Fm15 the sounds of hun-ger Played in streets with sew-ers run-ning nev-er far 19 Fm(Piano) Ι was raised farm on. Gbin their till - ing land we'd Saw my par-ents nev - er own. \mathbf{C} Ebm 25 (Flute) griev-ing__ bu - ry child-ren nev-er grown. F F/E F/D Bb/A F/C Вβ Csus Gm 29

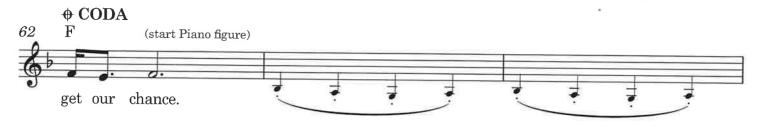
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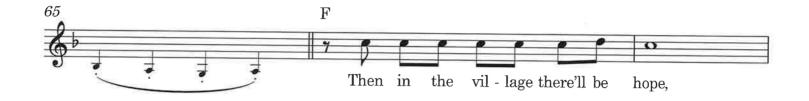
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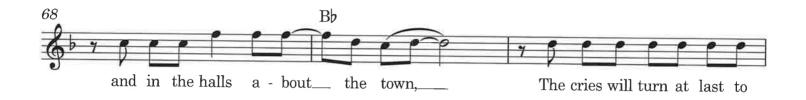
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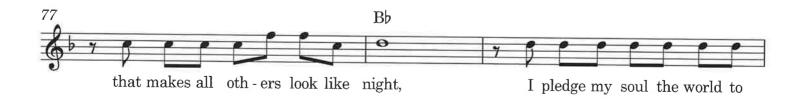
















ISAIAH'S SONG

Anselm Rothschild



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THERE IS ENOUGH FOR ALL

All the fields are golden as we reap the harvest,

Now the earth gives up to us, our work was hardest in the early Spring, Now it's time to sing.

Suddenly the storage bins are overflowing,

In the yard the children watch the Sukkah growing,

Symbol of the time, fruits come off the vine,

And so we stand oh Lord.

Blessing you for our lives, your hand has touched the earth,

And now we must provide.

Somewhere in the world are many voices crying,

Somewhere in this world are many people dying,

Thousands every day, mustn't stay this way.

Looking at the children in a land of plenty,

Brothers of the children with their bellies empty,

We can bring them in, let Sukkot begin.

And so we stand oh Lord.

Blessing you for our lives,

Your hand has touched the earth,

And now we must provide.

There is enough for all!

ON A PLAIN FAR AWAY

On a plain far away, a child awakens to a new and ordinary day.

All around the morning sun is beating him with flame.

Through the night, he was sleeping, Barely saw his mother kneeling by his side.

In her eyes the life has come again.

Perhaps he'll live another day? On a plain far away.

IN A HOUSE BY THE SEA

In a house by the sea,

A father lifts a box he built some time ago.

While his heart beats madly out against the world. And h

A father lifts a box he built some time ago.

While his heart beats madly out against the world. And he pains and he angers,

And he strikes at things he can not understand,

And he wonders which eyes looking up at him are next?

In a house by the sea.

On a road near the town

Sits an old and broken lady sadly crowned.

There is Enough for All

A Succoth folk/ rock cantata on the theme of world hunger.

Anselm Rothschild and Simon Waltzer - Performed at University Synagogue, Sept 26, 1980.

This cantata was inspired by the works of the Hunger Project and was dedicated to David Russell and Pam Waltzer.

All the carts and wagons rush to pass her by.

All the things she could have given, she spent to stay alive.

All she asks for is a penny, Or a quiet pe to die.

On a road near the town, In a house by the sea, On a plain far away.

A CHILD'S LULLABY TO MOTHER EARTH

God bless all us children on this planet earth.

We are his creation and we all have worth.

Let us all be thankful onthis festive night,

That we are together underneath God's light!

Oh Sukkot, festival of plenty Oh Sukkot, food to feed us all.

Oh Sukkot, set the world a table Oh Sukkot, answer to it's call.

God bless all us children, We who understand

How to live together, laughing hand in hand.

Children should be children, be allowed to play.

Why are there some children hungry on this day?

Oh Sukkot, festival of plenty, Oh Sukkot, food to feed us all.

Oh Sukkot, set the world a table, Oh Sukkot, answer to its call.

YOU ARE MY BROTHER

You are my brother you're my flesh and blood.

You are my sister, you're the one I love.

We came together on this earth so green

We have a chance to make it work, we're a team.

When you're able to tell yourself

That you're lucky to be,

You'll see the world around you as an opportunity.

Well can you picture what this world could be If we all acted just like one family.

Be no one starving, no one dying tonight

Who could have lived if they had just eaten right.

When you're able to tell yourself that you're lucky to be o

You'll see the world around you as an opportunity.

Well did you know there is enough for us all.

Enough for everyone to smile and grow tall.

So build a Tabernacle here with our hands, and let its walls extend to all other lands.

When you're able to tell yourself that you're lucky to be.

You'll see the world around you as an opportunity.

You are my brother you're my flesh and blood.

You are my sister you're the one I love.

We came together on this earth so green,

We have a chance to make it work we're a team.

We're a team, We're a team, We're a team!

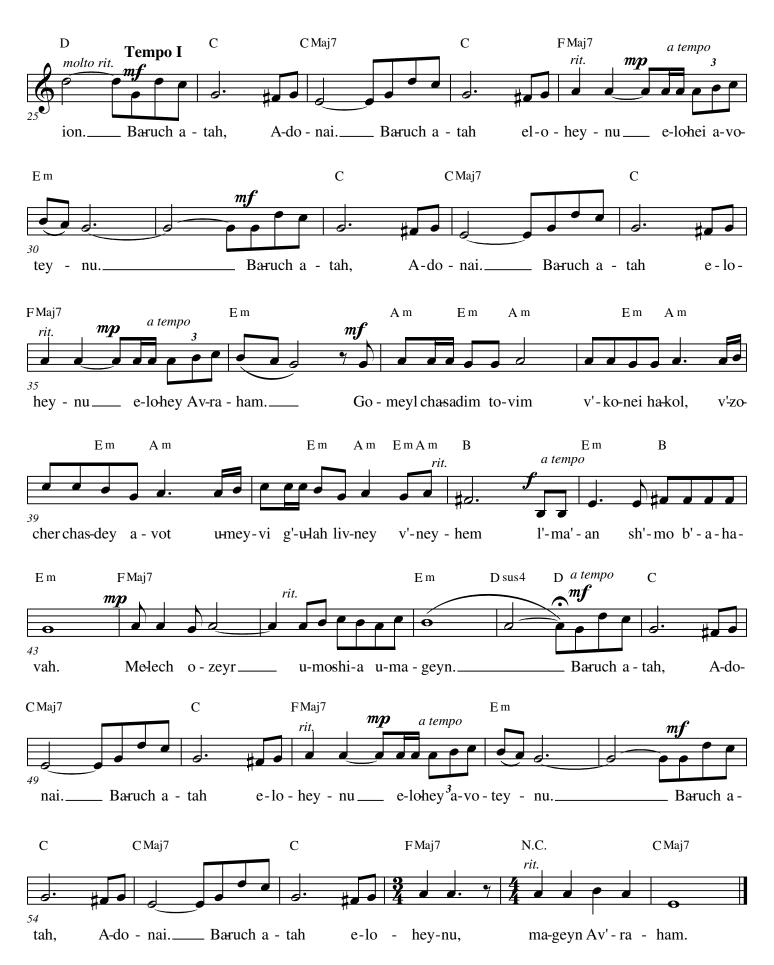
Avot, a Hebrew Prayer

ha - el ha-ga-dol ha-gi-bor v'-ha-no-ra eyl el-

"Oh, God, open my lips that my mouth may declare Your glory..." **Anselm Rothschild** Slowly, Gently, Legato \mathbf{C} Baruch a - tah, A-do-FMaj7 C Maj7 \mathbf{C} EmC mpa tempo mfBaruch a - tah el-o - hey - nu ___ e-lohei a-vo - tey - nu.__ Baruch a - tah, A-donai. CMaj7 \mathbf{C} FMaj7 Emmp a tempo 12 nai.____ Baruch a - tah e-lo-hey - nu ____ e-lo-hey Av-ra - ham _____ F C Εm F Εm F cresc. mf e-lohey Ya'-a - kov._ Ha - el ha-ga-dol ha-gi-bor v'-ha-no-ra chak_ F EmEm \mathbf{C} В **Faster** ha - el ha-ga-dol ha-gi-bor v'-ha-no-ra eyl el - ion. Haion, F EmF C $E\,m$ F Εm F \mathbf{C}

el ha-ga-dol ha-gi-bor v'-ha-no-ra eyl el - ion,_

2 Avot



Dans le Mirage - Le Reveil de l'Enfant) by Anselm Rothschild

Dans les mirages De mes amours Je vois l'etoile Je sais, je sais c'est moi.

Entre les jeux Qui sont ma vie Je touché l'amor Je suis, serai toujours.

Je suis le dieu Vers qui je cherche Toutes les choses Aucune des choses Sont l'esprit de moi.

Vous me creiez
Je vous creis
Et tout les rues
Et tout les jeux
Que nous avons cree.

Pensez au pouvoir Que nous avons Pour avoir cree tout c'la Sans fin, sans mort. Si vous savez

Prends moi done la main Aimons le dieux du monde Creons nous les jeux Donnons valeur a nous tous.

Si vous savez

Allons-y ensemble
Aimons le dieux du
monde Creons nous les
jeux
Pour donner valeur a
nous tous.

English translation by Sid

In the visions of my lovers
I see a star
Which is the me I long to find

Inside the games Which are my life I sense the love I am And always will be.

I am the G-d I search for Everything and Nothing and are my essence.

You and I created each other These paths These games Haven't we created them?

Think of the power
We must have
To have created all this
Without end, without death.

If you know this, then

Come take my hand
Let's go together
Let's walk among the gods of the
earth
And play the games
That will make life work For all of

If you know this, then
Let's go together
Let's walk among the gods Of the
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And play the games
That will make life work For all of
us.

Dans Les Mirages





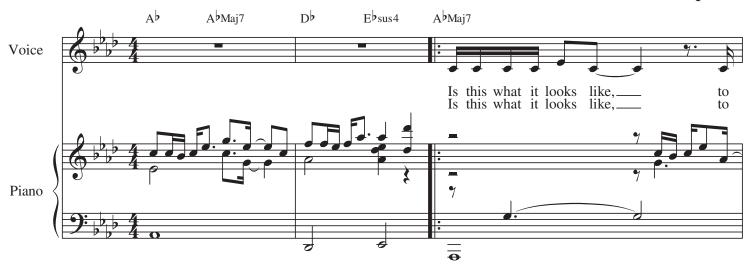


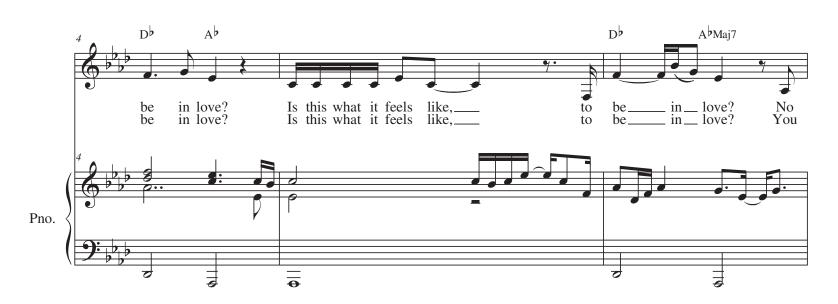


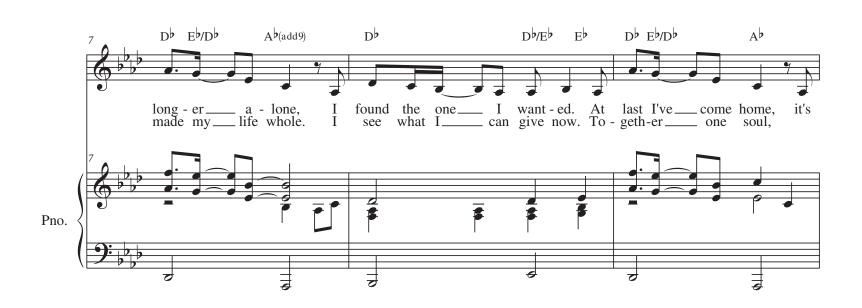


This Is What It Looks Like

Anselm Rothschild Arr.: Dan Spector













I Have Been Lucky













In Celebration of David Smith

Anselm Rothschild









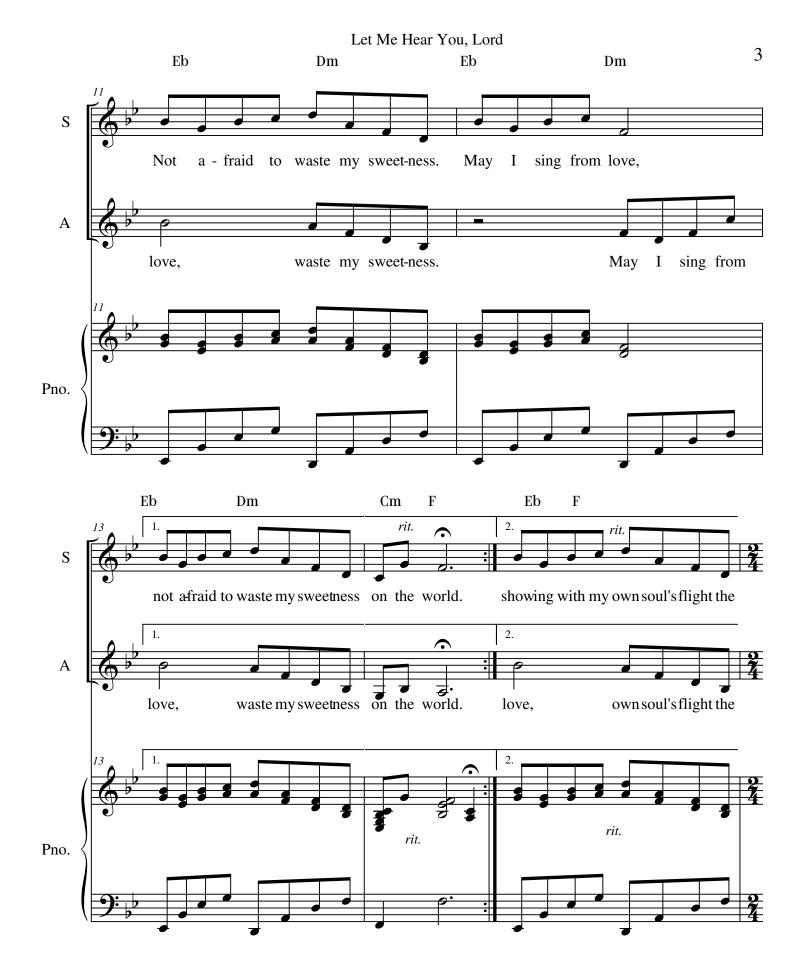


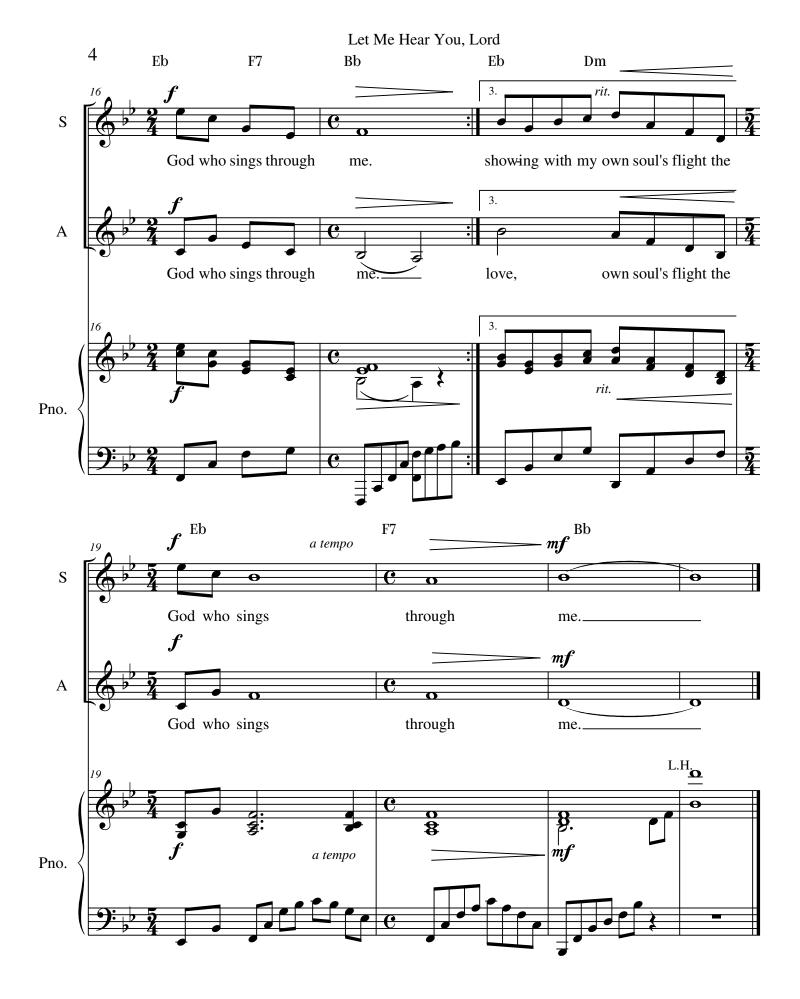


Let Me Hear You, Lord









The Messengers

First Performance, 1989, Toronto

Commissioned by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations In Honor of the Fiftieth Anniversary of National Federation of Temple Youth, through the Generosity of Miriam Hamberger,

Dedicated by the Composer to the Memory of Steven Levine.



Book, lyrics and Music by Anselm Rothschild

Orchestrations by

Anselm Rothschild, Clark Spangler, and Merri Lovinger Arian

Executive Producer	Rabbi Allan L. Smith	
Producer	Rabbi Ramie Arian	
Director	Don Alan Croll	
Music Director	Merri Lovinger Arian	
Kurzweil Consultant	Clark Spangler	
NFTY Staff Support	Karen Kosarin Frank	
	Danna Wolfe	
	Beth Shanus	
Creative Director	Anselm Rothschild	

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THE CAST

David Cakes

David Conen	VP of 1st Fidelity Broker's Bank	Claig Axiel
Rachel Emmetts	David's Secretary David's Junior Partner	Heather Stahl
Laurie Ferber		Cindi Tarshis
Three Messengers:		
Gabriel		Aaron Seglin
Sandy		Noa Kushner
Harold		Nina Perlman
Sol Greenberg	President of the Bank	David Rosewater
Jennifer	Sister of the Bride	Jennifer Silverman

Members of the Chorus: Stacy Archambault, Warren Bloom, Colby Cohen, Renee Cohen, Sarah Davis, Nathan Elsberg, Pam Emerson, Amy Geller, Aline Goodman, Jeffrey Green, Shira Hoffman, Brad Hyman, Jennifer Jacobs, Madelon Kuhn, Miriam Lewis, Michael Namath, Rob Nosanchuk, Tracy Oklander, Kimberly Rosenthal, Jennifer Shankman, Shira Silverman, Lauren Slawe, Melissa Smiley, Robyn Snyder, Daniel Treiser, Debra Waldorf.

BACKGROUND OF THE STORY

NFTY commissioned Anselm Rothschild to compose a cantata to celebrate its 40th anniversary. The resulting creation, A LIGHT IN ISRAEL, was performed at the UAHC Biennial in Toronto in 1979. It tells the story of a young boy, David, who heard the call of his Rabbi to be "like Solomon and Moses and Ruth and Esther". As he goes through his teen years he looks for someone to teach him to be a light in Israel, a prophet, but all he gets is derision from the adults around him, who tell him that things can't be changed and that he should be a doctor.

Finally, a girl arrives and tells him that she has been sent as his teacher to be "a light in Israel". Clara tells him the story of how when she was his age she made a difference by leading the first successful strike for the International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

David is so moved by her story that he finally understands that he can make a difference whatever he does, and that his work is to communicate to others that they make a difference as well. The theme song of the show was "A Light in Israel."

Let me be a light in Israel
Let me be a glowing flame
Let me be a light in Israel
Showing the way through the day to
the world

To know I matter, where do I start? Let me be a light in Israel Let me bless Your name

All I want is some small part

Let me be a light in Israel
Let me live Your Holy name
Let me be a light in Israel
All that I say may You weigh with
Your hand

Let me be a light in Israel
Let me share Your dreams with You
Let me be a light in Israel
If I just knew what to do, I would do
it for You

"The Messengers" picks up David's story, ten years later. He has become an extremely successful international money and power broker in a major city. God does not seem to be present in his life, but when God calls, God keeps calling.....

The composer gratefully acknowledges the help and support of: Don Krim, Dr. Joel Weisman, Dr. Lorraine Bonte, Peter Amsden, Heidi Rothschild, Gary Venet, Sheri Smith, Peggi Sturm, Marcia Weider, Sidney Sheres, Naomi Benghiat, Rahla and Richard Rossner, Jan Gartenberg, Rabbi Michael Chernick, Miriam Chernick, Cantor Jay Frailich, Rabbi Allen Freehling, Rabbi Erwin Herman, Jeremy Swerling, Diana Finkelstein, Debra Finkelstein, Reuven Firestone, Sonny Seglin, Karen Webber, Ruth and Carl Miles Pite, Agette and Arthur Seron, Abe and Dorothy Rothschild, Todd and Vicki Green, Roxanne and Michael Fischler, Alain Krim, David Russell, Niles Merton, Marianne Williamson, Murray Krim, Freddi Webber, Project Angel Food, Michael Rudder, Barbara and Les Lang, Jerry Michaud, Doug Kruschke, Tom Feldman, Merrill's Music, Adam Arian, Elana Arian, Dorothy Walrond, Karen Cooper, Charlie Vann, Valerie Kirkgaard, Sally Fisher, and Steven Levine.

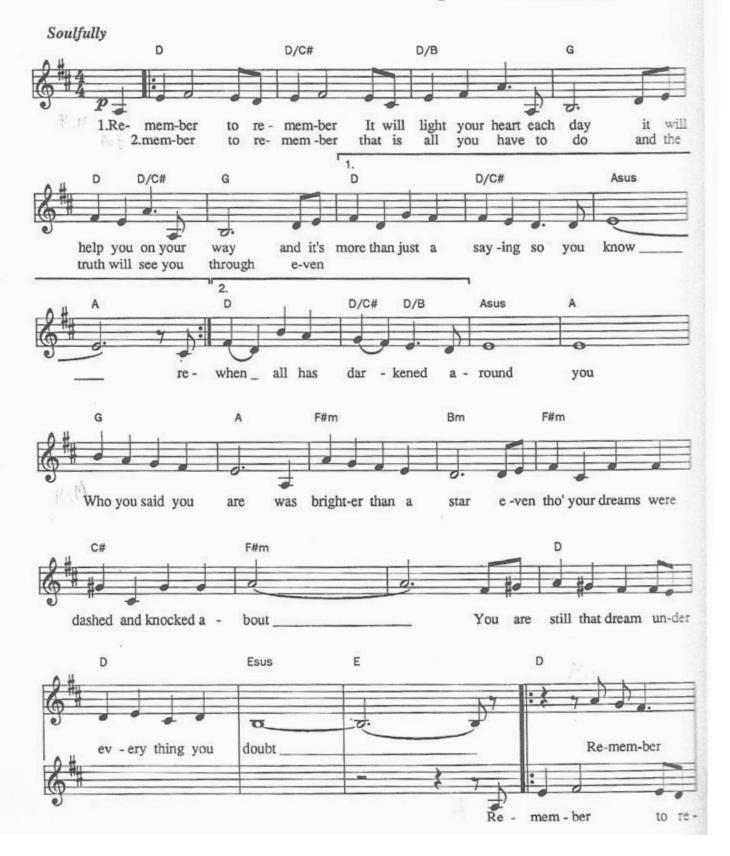
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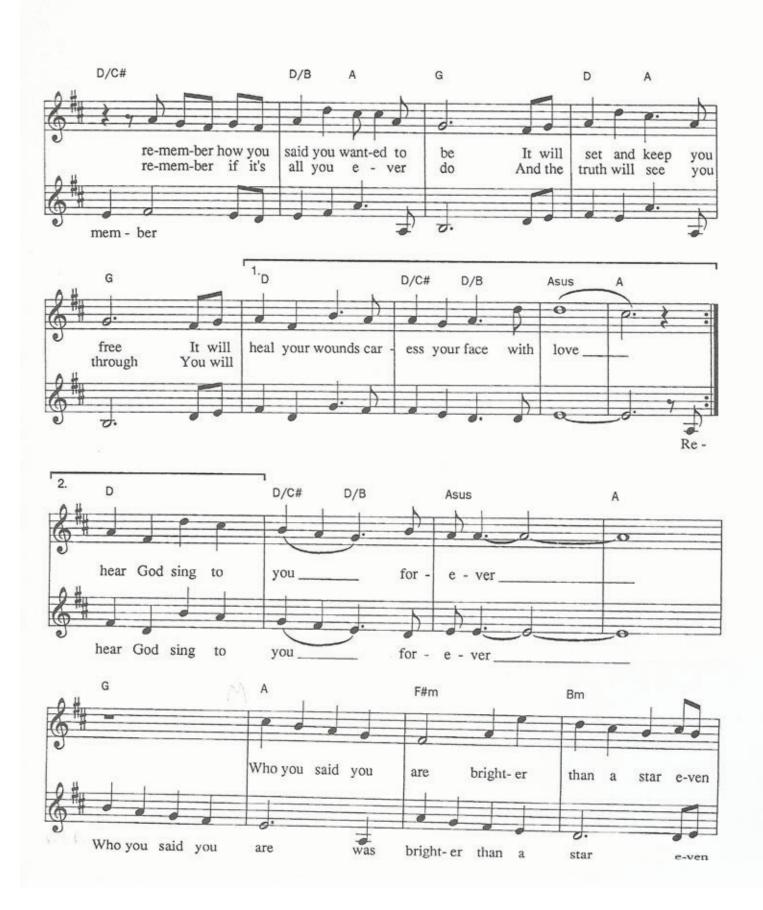
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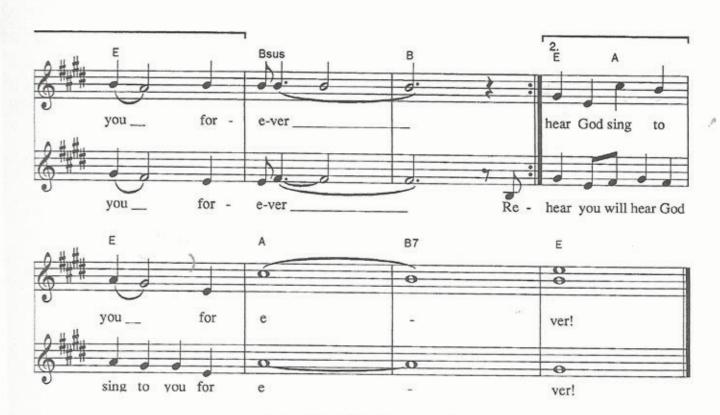
REMEMBER TO REMEMBER

Lyrics and Music: Anselm Rothschild Arrangement: Merri L. Arian









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Remember to remember It will light your heart each day It will help you on your way And its more than just a saying so you know

Remember to remember
That is all you have to do
And the truth will see you through
Even when all has darkened around you

Who you said you are was brighter than a star Even tho' your dreams were dashed and knocked about You are still that dream under everything you doubt

Remember to remember
How you said you wanted to be
It will set and keep you free
It will heal your wounds caress your face with love
Remember to remember if it's all you ever do
And the truth will see you through
You will hear God sing to you forever

No matter how difficult things may get, we need to remember who we are, what we stand for, and that we do not stand alone. This awareness "will heal your wounds, caress your face with love". From the musical "The Messengers". The composer died of AIDS in 1990 at the age of 39, two months after the premier of this work.

Who said you are was brighter than a star Even tho' your dreams were dashed and knocked about You are still that dream under everything you doubt

Remember to remember

If it's all you ever do

And the truth will see you through

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ZACHARTI LACH













che-sed n'u-ra - yich_

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I remember the devotion of your youth -how you followed me to the desert, into uncharted wilderness.

za-char-ti lach

זֶבֶּרְתִּי לֶּךְ חָסֶד וְעוּכֵּיךְ אֲהַבַּת כְּלּוּלוֹתֵּיךְ לֶכְחֵּךְ אֲחַכִי בַּמִּרְבָּר בְּאֶרֶץ לֹא זְרוּעָה וַבַּרְתִּי אֲנִי אֶת בְּרִיתִי אוֹתֶךְ בִּימֵי נְעוּכֵיךְ וַהַקִימוֹתִי לֶךְ בְּרִית עוֹכֶם

From the musical "The Messengers." In addition to his music, the composer dedicated his life to the eradication of world hunger and was committed to the ideal that there is enough on this planet for everyone.









Christmas All Year Long

Anselm Rothschild













Anselm responded to his HIV diagnosis with three years of personal heroism.

When Anselm contracted the AIDS virus in 1987, everyone who cared about his vision and his work wondered what would happen next. He responded in the only way he knew how — with extraordinary creative force, supported by people dedicated to his vision. In those final years, Anselm composed, orchestrated, and staged major musical theater works involving orchestras, soloists, and community choruses, all coming together not for profit or prestige, but for the joy of creating something deeply meaningful.

I was fortunate to spend a great deal of time with Anselm during those last three years. Before he passed, I made a personal promise to help sustain his music and legacy.

Anselm had a social network of hundreds of people, long before cell phone or social media. There was a group from his years of work with est and its founder, Werner Erhart. There were his professional connections with the Rabbis, Cantors, musicians and congregations from VBS and University Synagogues. Six of us boys from the Bronx, plus his sister Heidi.

All of his newly found relationships with people in the Los Angeles gay community, his partner Don Krim, and their bestie, Gary Venet. Let's not forget all of the people in the End Hunger movement, the Jewish camp music community, from Live Aid, and from the first display of the AIDS Quilt.

All of these people attended a series of events, which of course Anselm produced, to console his supporters and to help himself; to make his health a goal around which ALL of us could rally, and rally we did.

Held at University Synagogue in 1988, the first event was to tell everyone what he knew about his condition. and how so many people were already planning strategies for his health and yes, his career. There were prayers, there was his music, with soloists, orchestra, and chorus. Anselm was already trying so many new, unproven, common sense or even desperate treatments, from vitamins to massage, and eventually the first generation of retroviral drugs, which were largely ineffective for most AIDS patients in 1989.

About a year later, there was a second event at University Synagogue, which was much a repeat of the music and art of the first one. His music was performed by others at this event, with soloists, orchestra, and chorus. With Anselm talking hoarsely into a mike on the stage, appearing pale and thin., yet there was still hope and solidarity.

Through the end of his illness all of us, faithful, hanging in there with him, always his people networking any room, even a hospital waiting room, with our love.

Before the last musical art event that Anselm produced, his funeral in January 1990, there were some notable achievements. Anselm facilitated meetings with the Russians at UN. He coproduced the Aids Quit event in Los Angeles.

He composed and produced a performance of The Messengers, an epic work of musical theater for young people, that completed Anselm's trilogy of major works telling the story of how his protagonist, David, becomes a Light in Israel.

He was sustained and supported by his partner, Don Krim. Don is a featured singer on the



Sidney Sheres, Don Krim, Anselm and Friend



Anselm rides the rails, Griffith Park, 1988



Anselm with his sister, Roxanne Fischler



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