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*Celestial Dialogues* combines two great Jewish musical traditions: a klezmer clarinet solo—deriving from the haunting virtuoso sounds typical of traditional eastern European Jewish bands—and cantorial vocal passages that emanate from age-old Ashkenazi liturgical ritual. Both mystical and worldly, the “dialogues” evoke timeless songs and dances of Jewish experience, striving for the spiritual purification of prayer. Composer Ofer Ben-Amots has also created unforgettable vignettes and character portraits of eastern European Jewry in *Shtetl Songs*, and he further explores the mysteries of the Sabbath in *Hashkivenu—Song of the Angels*.



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## OFER BEN-AMOTS (b. 1955)

### Hashkivenu—Song of the Angels (1994)

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| 1. Entrance of the Sabbath Bride                      | 4:18 |
| 2. Peace upon you, Angels of Peace                    | 1:29 |
| 3. Come in peace, Angels of Peace                     | 1:23 |
| 4. Bless me for peace, ye Angels of Peace (V'taknenu) | 1:05 |
| 5. Go in peace, Angels of Peace (echo)                | 1:38 |

*BBC Singers*

*Christopher Bowers-Broadbent, organ*  
*Kenneth Kiesler, conductor*

### Celestial Dialogues (1994)

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| 6. Am kadosh           | 3:44 |
| 7. Uv'yom hashabbat    | 4:13 |
| 8. A gasn nign         | 4:14 |
| 9. Adonoi melekh       | 7:13 |
| 10. Celestial Freylekh | 5:18 |
| 11. Dinen              | 4:07 |

*Cantor Alberto Mizrahi*

*David Krakauer, clarinet*  
*Barcelona Symphony Orchestra/National Orchestra of Catalonia*  
*Karl Anton Rickenbacher, conductor*

### Shtetl Songs (1985-86)

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| 12. Bay dem shtetl        | 3:10 |
| 13. Bistu mit mir broyges | 2:36 |
| 14. Klip klap             | 2:45 |
| 15. Royz, royz            | 2:37 |
| 16. Di dray neytorins     | 3:42 |
| 17. Der rebbe tantst      | 4:04 |

*Re'ut Ben-Ze'ev, soprano*

*John Musto, piano*

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| 18. <b>Psalm 81 (1989)</b> | 13:37 |
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*Permonik Children's Choir*

*Radka Petrůšková, soloist*

*Petr Hladík, Rostislav Mikeška, percussion*  
*Eva Seinerová, conductor*

Playing  
Time  
**71:41**

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