

1997

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A man in a dark suit and a fedora hat is captured in a dynamic, mid-air pose on a stage. He is holding a microphone in his right hand and gesturing with his left. The background is a vibrant, dark space filled with colorful light trails in shades of purple, blue, green, and red, swirling around a large, glowing sphere that resembles a planet or moon. The overall atmosphere is energetic and theatrical.

SHOOTIN'
FOR THE
MOON

CREDITS

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Co -Produced by: Ilan Schnitzer

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Mitzvah Habah

**מצוה הבא
לידך אל
תחמיצנה**
(הלכת סוכה)

*When a Mitzvah comes
to your hand, do not
delay in performing it*

Composed by: Doni Gross
Arranged by: Shai Barak
Mixed & Directed by: Eli Gerstner
Choir: Zemiros Group Arranged by: Yoily Polatseck
Additional Vocals: Rabbi Y. Zeitlin





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Hisoreri

**התעוררי התעוררי כי בא
אורך קומי אורי, עורי עורי
שיר דברי כבוד ה' עליך נגלה**

*Wake up, wake up, for your light has come
rise up and shine awake, awake; sing a song;
the glory of Hashem is revealed on you*

Composed, Arranged, and Directed by: Eli Gerstner
Backup Vocals by: Eli Gerstner
Mixed by: Eli Gerstner
Music Produced and Performed by Shai Barak



Mi Ha'ish

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**מי האיש החפץ חיים, אהב ימים
לראות טוב. נצר לשונך מרע,
ושפתיך מדבר מרמה. סור מרע
ועשה טוב, בקש שלום ורדפהו.**

*This song is dedicated in memory of my
good friend, Victor Schnitzer Z'L who
had a tremendous impact on me and
the lives of countless others through his
Lev Tov, Acts of Kindness, and Tzedakah.
He will always be remembered for his
big smile and even bigger heart.
יהי זכרו ברוך*

Composed, Produced, and Arranged by: Eli Gerstner
Backup Vocals : Eli Gerstner
Child Soloist: Moishe Gerstner
Mixed by: Eli Gerstner

Shootin' For The Moon

Looking up, standing on the ground
me and my dreams galaxies apart
but I know somewhere deep inside
I've got the strength to get that far,

Climbing on a ladder in the sky
though I'm not an angel maybe I can fly
pushing through still another mile
all I gotta do is try

Chorus

I'm shootin' for the moon tonight
I ride the waves at the speed of light
I've set my goals I made my mind
and if I miss I'll make it to the stars
we're gonna make it to the top
I'm shootin' for the moon tonight
and if I miss I'll make it to the stars



Sending up yet another prayer
father I know you believe in me
when it's rough and I'm feeling doubt
you can raise me up above the clouds,

I can feel the power of a dream
giving me wings taking me beyond
all the pain all the broken hopes
I'm gonna keep holding on

Bridge

Never gonna break apart till I reach my destination
never gonna lose the spark in my soul
gonna be a shining light, gonna be an inspiration
never givin' up the fight towards my goal

Composed & Concept by: Elie Schwab
Additional Composition: Yochanan Shapiro & Michoel Pruzansky
Lyrics by: Elie Schwab & Miriam Israeli
Background Vocals by: Eli Klein, Yitzy Berry, Yochanan Shapiro
Arranged by: Eli Klein & Yitzy Berry
Additional Music and Mix by: Eli Gerstner

Kol Hamivakesh

כל המבקש
רחמים על
חבירו, והוא צריך
לאותו דבר - הוא
נענה תחילה

*One who davens for mercy
for his friend, and he suffers
from the same thing,
The one who davens will be
answered first.*

Composed by: Eli Klein
Arranged by: Naftali Schnitzler
Choir: David Taub, Yossi Weinberger,
Moti Rotler, Gil Israelov
Mixed by: Eli Klein & Yitzy Berry



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Bou Nirkod

*Now's the time to not be afraid
to feel that all is possible
and just be happy
to focus on all the good that you got
to shout out loud,
"Don't give up!"*

*The beat is playing, makes my heart shake
wanna dance
with all our might
I want to fly up high in the air
reminds me that there's a fire burning
within me
let's all dance
let's be happy
now lets raise a glass L'chaim
all together
sing with me
because it's time to dance and be happy*

It's time for Joy, it's time for Simcha!

Composed, Arranged, Lyrics, & Background Vocals by: Eli Klein & Yitzy Berry

Mixed by: Eli Klein & Yitzy Berry

זה הזמן לא לכחד משום דבר
להרגיש שרק אפשר
פשוט לשמוח
להתחבר למה שטוב למה שיש
לצעוק בקול גדול
אסור להתייאש!

הקצב מנגן מרעיד לי את הלב
רוצה לרקוד חזק
בכל הכוח
אני רוצה לעוף לצעוק ולבקש
מזכיר לי שאומרים שבי בוערת אש

בואו נרקוד
בואו נשמח

נרים עכשיו כוסית לחיים
ביחד חזק
שירו איתי
כי זה הזמן לרקוד לשמוח

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אל גינת אגוז ירדתי,
לראות באבי הנחל,
לראות הפרחה הגפן,
הנצו הרימונים. שובי שובי
השולמית, שובי ונחזה בך.
מה תחזו בשולמית
כמחולת המחניים.

*I went and saw simplicity of the holiness of the Second Bais
Hamikdash to see your moisture laden deeds in valleys.
The nations have said to me, turn away, turn away from
Hashem, O nation whose faith in him is perfect, turn away,
turn away, and we shall choose nobility from you. But I replied
to them, what can you bestow upon a nation whole in faith to
him commensurate even with the desert camps encircling?*

Composed by: Yochanan Shapiro
Arranged by: Shai Barak
Choir: Yochanan Shapiro, Yaakov Gifter,
Ushi Shapiro, Aaron Shapiro
Directed by Eli Gerstner
Mixed by: Eli Gerstner



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Shuvi



Chitty
Bum!

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**ס'איז גוט
צו זיין א איד!**

It's Great to be a Jew!

Composed by Yitzy Waldner
& Naftali Schnitzler

Arranged by: Naftali Schnitzler

Choir: Zemiros Group Arranged by: Yoily Polatseck

Mixed by: Eli Klein & Yitzy Berry



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Hareini

יחיד חי העולמים מלך משבח
ומפאר עדי עד שמו הגדול.
הריני מזמן את פי להודות
ולהלל ולשבח את בוראי.

*Unique one, life giver of the
world, King whose name is
eternally praised and glorified.
I now prepare my mouth to
thank and praise my Creator.*

Composed by Yochanan Shapiro
Arranged & Produced by: Ian Freitor- Playmasters Studio
Choir: Yochanan Shapiro, Aaron Shapiro, Yaakov Gifter
Mixed by: Ian Freitor



Uvirtzoncha

וברצונך הניח לנו ה' אלקינו שלא
תהא צרא ויגון ואנחה ביום מנוחתינו,
והראנו ה' אלקינו בנחמת ציון עירך
ובבנין ירושלים עיר קדשך, כי אתה
הוא בעל הישועות ובעל הנחמות.

*May it be your will, Hashem our G-D, that there be
no distress, grief, or lament on this day of our rest.
And show us, Hashem, our G-D, the consolation
of Zion, your city, and the rebuilding of Jerusalem,
City of your holiness, for you are the master of
salvations and master of consolations.*

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Composed by: Yochanan Shapiro
Arranged by: Shai Barak
Strings Arranged by: Yisroel Lamm
Directed by Eli Gerstner
Choir: Yochanan Shapiro, Yaakov Gifter, Ushi Shapiro, Aaron Shapiro
Mixed by: Eli Gerstner

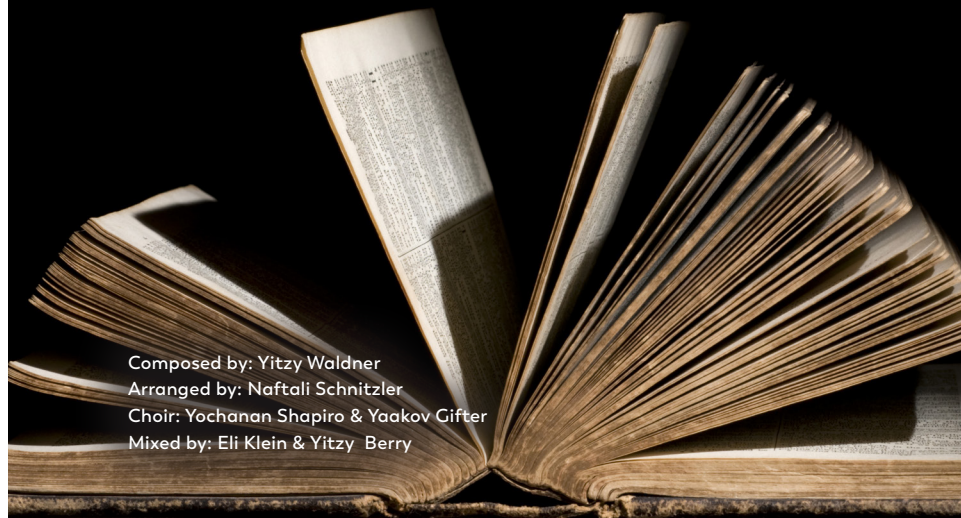
בה אנא רחיץ ולשמה
קדישא יקירא אנא אמר
תשבחן, יהא רעוא קדמך
דתפתח לבאי באורייתא

*In Him do I trust, and to His Glorious
and Holy Name do I declare praises.
May it be your will that you open my
heart to Torah.*

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Bei Ana

Composed by: Yitzzy Waldner
Arranged by: Naftali Schnitzler
Choir: Yochanan Shapiro & Yaakov Gifter
Mixed by: Eli Klein & Yitzzy Berry



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