

THE UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH CONCERT SERIES    SPRING · SUMMER 2011

# Concerts at The University

Friday 18 March 2011  
1.10pm

Reid Concert Hall

## **She'Koyokh Klezmer Ensemble**

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Matt Bacon · guitar

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### "Inspirational" *The Guardian*

Performing anywhere from London's street corners to the international stage, She'koyokh is delighted to return to Edinburgh as a quartet for a debut concert at the Reid Concert Hall. Today's programme covers Jewish, Romanian, Russian, Romanian, Gypsy, Serbian and Bulgarian folk music, most of which would traditionally be played at weddings.

She'koyokh is a British band whose musicians have travelled through these countries, researched in depth and learned, rather than inherited this music. Violinist Meg Hamilton, a graduate of Edinburgh University Music faculty, was inspired by Nigel Osborne's stories of life and music in the Balkans as well as other parts of the world, and since this seed was planted she has never looked back. Within two years of graduating she joined She'Koyokh to play on the streets, at squat parties, on Glastonbury's hippy stages, travelled in Eastern Europe and met Gypsy and Jewish musicians in Poland and the Czech Republic, all just as klezmer music became very trendy in London around 2002. Soon the band was performing in prisons, hospitals and special needs schools as Meg was keen to continue with the spirit of Nigel Osborne's Music in the Community course.

She'koyokh creates lively new compositions, and innovative arrangements of traditional Eastern European melodies which have inspired dancing in the most conservative of concert halls. She'koyokh (literally "have strength") can be translated from the Yiddish as "nice one" and is renowned for its "musicianship, precision and general joie de vivre" (*The Herald*).

### Recent news:

She'koyokh won first prize at the 2008 International Jewish Music Festival in the Netherlands, has played at festivals in Switzerland, Germany, at Amsterdam's Concertgebouw, the Jewish Cultural Festival in Munich, on BBC Television and Radio 3, and last year toured the Scottish Highlands and Islands, supported by the Scottish Arts Council. Summer concerts include London's Purcell Room and Kings Place. Details can be found on [www.myspace.com/shekoyokh](http://www.myspace.com/shekoyokh). She'koyokh has recorded two albums, both released with the UK's ARC world music label. Original discounted pre-label editions will be on sale after the concert.

### Future events:

Friday 25 March 9.30am - 11.30am University workshop

Sunday 27 March 9pm Malone's, Forrest Road, with the Turkish singer Cigdem Aslan

### Tell your friends:

Friday 25 March Universal Hall, Findhorn

Saturday 26 March Isle of Arran

### FORTHCOMING CONCERTS:

Friday 18 March  
7.30pm  
Reid Concert Hall  
Edinburgh University Wind Band  
Morven Bell · conductor  
TICKETS: £5.00 / £3.00 CONCESSIONS  
available on the door  
[j.f.durie@sms.ed.ac.uk](mailto:j.f.durie@sms.ed.ac.uk)

Friday 18 March  
7.30pm  
Greyfriars Kirk, Edinburgh  
Edinburgh University Music Society  
Symphony Orchestra  
Russell Cowieson · conductor  
SHOSTAKOVICH Symphony No.10  
NIELSON Aladdin Suite.  
TICKETS £8.00 / £5.00 CONCESSIONS  
available online at [www.eums.org.uk](http://www.eums.org.uk)  
<http://www.eums.org.uk/>

Saturday 19 March  
7.30pm  
Reid Concert Hall  
Edinburgh University Brass Band  
Angus Tully · conductor  
TICKETS: £5.00 / £3.00 STUDENTS  
available on the door  
jenbowden1@googlemail.com

Saturday 19 March  
8.00pm  
Canongate Kirk, Edinburgh  
Edinburgh University Chamber Choir  
Eric von Ibler · conductor  
BYRD Non vos relinquam  
SWEELINCK Laudate Dominum  
MONTEVERDI Cantate Domine  
VAUGHAN WILLIAMS Silence and Music  
ANDRIESEN Magna res est amor  
MEALOR Now sleeps the Crimson Petal  
LAURIDSEN O Magnum Mysterium  
TICKETS: £8.00 / £5.00 CONCESSIONS  
euchamberchoir@hotmail.com

Tuesday 22 March  
1.10pm  
Reid Concert Hall  
The Edinburgh Quartet  
Tristan Gurney · violin  
Philip Burrin · violin  
Michael Beeston · viola  
Mark Bailey · cello  
MOZART Adagio and Fugue in C minor  
K546  
MACMILLAN Memento  
BEETHOVEN Quartet in D major Op.18  
No.3  
ADMISSION FREE

Saturday 19 March  
8.00pm  
Old Saint Paul's Church, Jeffrey Street  
Edinburgh University String Orchestra  
Edinburgh University Singers  
John Kitchen · conductor and solo organ  
Iain McLarty · conductor  
HANDEL Coronation Anthems  
Water Music Suite No.1 in F major  
Organ Concerto Op.7 No.1 in Bb major  
TICKETS: £6.00 / £4.00 CONCESSIONS  
euso.president@gmail.com;  
eusingers@googlemail.com

Sunday 20 March  
7.30pm  
Reid Concert Hall  
Edinburgh University Female Voice Choir  
Vaughan Fleischfresser · conductor  
TICKETS: £5.00 / £3.00 CONCESSIONS  
available on the door or contact  
eusalive.co.uk

Wednesday 23 March  
2.00pm  
Reid Concert Hall, Reid Concert Hall  
Edinburgh  
The Margaret Fletcher Schola Cantorum  
of Edinburgh Lieder Prize 2011  
Sir Timothy O'Shea Honorary Patron  
Eric von Ibler and Patricia MacMahon  
adjudicators  
£100 awarded annually for the best  
performance of two German Lieder in  
competition, one to be chosen from the  
works of WOLF, SCHUBERT or MAHLER.  
ADMISSION FREE