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**LOCAL CONSORTIUM TO PRESENT
100 VOICES: A JOURNEY HOME
AT THE DREXEL THEATRE JANUARY 31**

“FILM PICK OF THE WEEK. A reason to rejoice....A warmhearted documentary....The tour footage is emotional...” - Los Angeles Times

“The film’s strength lies precisely in the voices of its cantors...excellent and moving raconteurs.” - The New York Times

The Columbus Jewish Film Festival, Friends of the Drexel, and Congregation Tifereth Israel have joined together to present the acclaimed documentary ***100 Voices: A Journey Home*** on Tuesday, January 31, at 7:30 pm at the Drexel Theatre.

Screened at the 2012 New York Jewish Film Festival, *100 Voices: A Journey Home* is a compelling and moving musical documentary that uniquely tells the history of Jewish culture in Poland. It highlights the current resurgence of Jewish culture through the personal reflections and musical selections of a group of cantors, and acclaimed composer Charles Fox (“Killing Me Softly”, “I Got A Name”) who made an important historical mission to the birthplace of Cantorial music. The documentary will give generations the opportunity to learn about and re-embrace the Jewish culture that produced one of the most artistic and educated societies that once flourished in Europe. Above all, the film celebrates the resilience and power of Jewish life, while telling the story of two peoples—Polish and Jewish—who shared intertwined cultures.

Tickets are \$7.50 (\$6.50 for seniors and students). Advance tickets can be purchased by phone at (614) 231-1050, online at www.drexel.net, or at the Drexel Theatre box office (2254 E. Main St.). For more information and special group discounts, call (614) 231-1050. Tickets may also be purchased at Congregation Tifereth Israel in person (1354 E. Broad St.) or by phone at (614) 253-8523.

www.Drexel.net

CALENDAR LISTING

THE DREXEL THEATRE presents a special screening of *100 Voices: A Journey Home*

Tuesday, January 31, 7:30 pm

Drexel Theatre (2254 E. Main St.)

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About the Columbus Jewish Film Festival

The Columbus Jewish Film Festival is committed to bringing central Ohio audiences a sampling of the best in contemporary independent and international Jewish films. The Festival promotes a Jewish legacy that values art and embraces universal themes, moral questions, and ethical concerns. By pushing the boundaries of what is considered Jewish and taking the Festival outside the walls of Jewish institutions, the Festival opens a window that invites audiences to share in the richness of Jewish heritage and tradition. For more information, visit www.cjfilmfest.org.

About Friends of the Drexel, Inc.

Established in late 2009 by a group of committed community leaders and arts patrons, Friends of the Drexel, Inc. is an independent, not-for-profit organization dedicated to a more creative and prosperous future for the Drexel Theatre. Its mission is to secure and sustain the future of the historic Drexel Theatre as a distinctive cultural asset to Bexley and the greater Columbus community. It envisions the Drexel as a sustainable provider of unique arts content as well as a vibrant community meeting place that preserves the charm and eclectic, neighborhood film-going experience in a warm and inviting, yet technologically-advanced, facility.

About Congregation Tifereth Israel

Founded in 1902, Congregation Tifereth Israel (1354 E. Broad St.) is an egalitarian congregation affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and a national leader in the Jewish community. Led by Cantor Jack Chomsky since 1982, the Cantor is President of the Cantors Assembly, the national organization of cantors in the conservative, and has been active with many local organizations and. Rabbi Harold J. Berman has served the congregation since 1979, and has also been very involved in local and national leadership in the Jewish community and in rabbinic circles. Rabbi Michael Ungar has been at Tifereth Israel for 10 years, and is currently president of the Columbus Board of Rabbis, and is also very active in local Jewish and community programs. The congregation has a broad range of programming in religious and secular Jewish life, renowned school and youth programs, and deep involvement in social action within and beyond the Jewish community. For more information, visit www.tiferethisrael.org.

About Drexel Theatre, Inc.

For generations, the Drexel Theatre has been central Ohio's first source for independent film and the best of Hollywood and international cinema, striving to specialize in simply the best films from around the world.

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