



WOMEN CANTORS' NETWORK CONFERENCE

June 9-12, 2025

Keneseth Israel Congregation
Louisville, KY

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Monday, June 9

- 3:00-5:30 Registration at Keneseth Israel Congregation
5:30-6:00 Welcome and Icebreakers
6:00-7:00 Dinner
7:00-8:00 Ma'ariv
8:00-9:30 **Evening Program: Kumzitz**

Tuesday, June 10

- 9:00-10:00 Shacharit
10:00-10:15 Break
10:15-12:00 **Keynote Speaker: Increasing Your Impact (Heather Aranyi)**
12:00-12:15 Break
12:15-1:45 Lunch and Annual Meeting
1:45-2:45 **Workshop Options:**
 a. **Sing Her Song: The Life and Music of Flory Jagoda (Susan Gaeta)**
 b. **A Bird's-Eye Overview of Nusach (Arlyne Unger)**
 c. **Songs Between Others: Jewish Visions of Appalachia (Nathan Viner)**
2:45-3:00 Break
3:00-4:00 **Workshop Options (repeated from above)**
4:00-4:45 **Presentation of Commissioned Piece (Orit Perlman)**
4:45-5:00 Break
5:00-6:15 **Workshop: Jewish Bourbon: History of the Jews in the Bourbon Industry and Bourbon Tasting (Carol Ely)**
6:15-7:00 Dinner
7:00-7:45 Ma'ariv
7:45-8:00 Break
8:00-9:30 **Evening Program: Mazel Tonk-Celebrating Kentucky(ish) Music with a Jewish Flair (Brigid Kaelin)**

Wednesday, June 11

- 9:00-10:00 Shacharit
- 10:00-10:15 Break
- 10:15-12:15 **Panel Discussion: “Cantor and...”** (*Judy Caplan Ginsburgh, Sharon Hordes, Lois Kittner, Audrey Klein, Abbe Lyons, Marci Vitkus; Kathy Sebo, moderator*)
- 12:15-12:30 Break and load buses
- 12:30-4:30 **Field Trip to Downtown Louisville and East Market District (aka NuLu)**
(transportation provided)
- Lunch on your own
 - Time for:
 - Shopping
 - Visiting Museums (including Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory, Muhammad Ali Center, Roots 101 African American Museum, Frazier Kentucky History Museum)
 - Spending time in Waterfront Park and enjoying the scenic Ohio River
 - Optional: Evan Williams Bourbon Experience Tour and Tasting
(booking and payment required at time of conference registration)
- 4:30-5:00 Return to synagogue
- 5:00-6:00 **Workshop: Jewish Music That You Probably Don’t Know by Leonard Bernstein (and a Few Pieces That You Do)** (*Ann Niren*)
- 6:00-7:00 Dinner
- 7:00-7:45 Ma’ariv
- 7:45-9:30 **Evening Program: WCN’s Got Talent**
- 9:30 **Return to hotel, fun continues** (*optional, but not-to-be missed*)

Thursday, June 14

- 9:30-11:00 Shacharit
- 11:00-12:00 Friendship Circle and Goodbyes
Boxed Lunches will be made available starting at 11:00 am for anyone who needs to leave early. After the Friendship Circle, you are welcome to take your boxed lunch to go or to stick around the synagogue and eat.