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# *European Jewish Choir Festival Vienna 2013*



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## **The first European Jewish Choir Festival in Vienna 2013**

During the European Jewish Choir Festival from May 9–12, 2013, Vienna will be devoted to Jewish music from all over Europe.

From May 9–12, 2013, the Vienna Jewish Choir will host the first European Jewish Choir Festival. Under the patronage of Austria's Federal President, Dr. Heinz Fischer, and under the umbrella of the European Jewish Parliament, Jewish choirs and singing groups from all over Europe will celebrate the Jewish song in Europe's capital of music. The organizers expect around 400 participating singers to show the vibrancy and diversity of Jewish music in today's Europe. *"We want to show how vibrant and diverse Jewish music is in Europe today,"* says Florian Pollack, president of the Vienna Jewish Choir.



During intensive workshops, the choirs will rehearse together and work on new repertoires under the guidance of renowned teachers, specifically on techniques of Jewish music.

At the close of the festival, during a gala concert under the motto "Shir LaShalom—A Song for Peace" in the concert hall of the famous Austria Center, the audience will get an idea of the considerable range of Jewish song. *"Jewish music shines again in many places. We want to bring these many initiatives together in Vienna and present them in a musical firework,"* says Grinberg.

However, bridging the gap between cultures goes beyond just music at the European Jewish Choir Festival. It will also offer tours through Jewish Vienna and insights into modern Jewish life, with dinners and Shabbat spent together. Thus, experiences can be exchanged within the respective European communities. The objective is bridge-building and forging links between various Jewish communities all over Europe with all their respective cultures and traditions.

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### **Press photos**

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## European Jewish Choir Festival – Vienna 2013

### Festival Details

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#### **Almost 400 participants from 16 European cities**

are registered for the first “European Jewish Choir Festival – Vienna 2013”. Jewish Choirs from the following European cities will participate in the Festival: Amsterdam, Belgrade, Berlin, Brussels, Dijon, Lviv, Marseille, Nantes, Nice, Paris, Rome, St. Petersburg, Toulouse, Utrecht, Wuppertal, and Vienna

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#### **All workshops will be held in the Odeon Theater**

A-1020 Vienna | Taborstrasse 10 | [www.odeon-theater.at](http://www.odeon-theater.at)

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#### **The Gala Concert “Shir LaShalom—A Song For Peace” will take place in the Austria Center Vienna**

A-1220 Vienna | Bruno-Kreisley-Platz 1 | [www.acv.at](http://www.acv.at)

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#### **Tickets for the gala concert**

[www.oeticket.com](http://www.oeticket.com) | Hotline +43.1.96 0 96



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