

A weekend with Joshua Nelson, "Prince of Kosher Gospel" Dec. 8-10



Presented by Temple Beth-El and Initiatives of Change Sponsored by Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities, The Man with Square Feet and Richmond Hill

osher Gospel is the marriage of Jewish re-Ligious lyrics and meanings with the soulful sounds of American gospel music. While the word gospel, Greek for "good news," is typically associated with African-American Christian churches, these African rhythms pre-date the West Africans' introduction to Christianity. This sound has been retained in the musical cultures of Black African Muslims and Jews.



Public Events

Friday - 6 p.m.; Service featuring music by Joshua: free; open to the public Saturday - 7 p.m., Concert: \$20 per person

Events for Sponsors (packages start at \$180)

Friday - 7 p.m. Dinner & Panel Discussion, "The Universal Language: Understanding Race & Religion through Music."

Saturday - Post Concert Meet & Mingle with Joshua at a Dessert & Wine Reception, sponsored by Beth-El Sisterhood

The Presenting Sponsor for the weekend, along with Temple Beth-El, is Initiatives of Change. "We are delighted to partner with Temple Beth-El in welcoming Joshua Nelson to Richmond," said Jake Hershman, IOC executive director. "Joshua's musical blending of cultures and traditions provides a creative platform for dialogue to foster narrative change and relationship building, the cornerstones of IOC's work through our Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation / Richmond outreach."

IOC has been actively engaged in the Richmond community for over 25 years working with the faith, arts, academic, corporate, philanthropic and nonprofit communities to build trust, address racial inequities and heal history. This year, IOC launched Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation with seed funding from the Kellogg Foundation. This enterprise is in 14 U.S. communities including Richmond.

To learn more about this program, visit greaterRVA.org.

All events will be at Temple Beth-El, 3330 Grove Avenue. Purchase tickets at bethelrichmond.org/event/Joshua or call (804) 355-3564.

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