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## NATIONAL BROADCAST OF THE MOLLY BLANK JEWISH CONCERT SERIES

ATLANTA, GA. On September 18, over half a million listeners from around the country will be tuning in to hear the latest edition of *NPR's From the Top, with Host Christopher O' Riley*, which showcases America's top young classical musicians.

Local listeners will be able to take special pride in this broadcast, as it was recorded live at the William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum in Atlanta, GA. The sold-out concert was focused on the theme of Jewish contribution to music, and included works by Jewish composers, such as Aaron Copland and George Gershwin, as well as pieces connected to Jewish heritage, such as the haunting ancient mourning hymn, "Kaddish." Hear it on local PBS stations GPB and WABE, Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>. It will be broadcast nationally on the radio, and made available for online streaming on September 18<sup>th</sup>.

The performance at the Breman featured solo performances by Aytahn Benavi (guitar), Haig Hovsepien (violin), and Jarrett May (flute), a trio performance featuring Sein An (violin), Alec Manasse (clarinet), and Christopher O'Riley (piano), and a concluding choral performance by a beloved local group, the Atlanta Young Singers.

As one audience member commented on the performance "This was a fantastic, unforgettable and inspiring event. It was a real treat!"

In addition to performing at the Breman, the young musicians attended leadership workshops, toured the Breman Museum, and participated in a volunteer outreach program for senior citizens at a local assisted living facility.

Acting Executive Director, Ghila Sanders, spoke on behalf of the Breman, "we are delighted to have facilitated this wonderful opportunity to empower youth in their artistic growth and share quality

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programming with a wide audience, and are thankful for the community partners that made this experience possible.”

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