Klezmer Company Orchestra in concert with Ebony Chorale of the Palm Beaches

2nd Avenue Jazz’n Jive highlights week at FAU

February 21--“2nd Avenue Jazz’n Jive,” a concert featuring new arrangements of music that originated in the Yiddish theaters of New York’s Second Avenue and influenced by the jazz clubs of Harlem, will be presented by the innovative, international award-winning Klezmer Company Orchestra (KCO) under the direction of Aaron Kula, on Sunday, March 3, at 3 p.m. at Florida Atlantic University’s Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium on the main campus in Boca Raton.

This 16th annual concert will reunite Kula and his 25-member KCO with director Orville Lawton and his 40-voice Ebony Chorale of the Palm Beaches, an ensemble renowned for its preservation of Negro spirituals, for six of the concert’s songs. In addition, two south Florida soloists, Lloyd Reshad and Leo Williams, will debut as guest soloists.

The concert, a cultural music celebration will reflect Kula’s desire to explore diverse musical genres from publications that date back to the 1920s. The audience will hear musical styles that blend traditional Yiddish and spiritual songs with swing, blues, boogie-woogie, and tango.

The concert sets the stage for KCO’s 16th season and the annual Kultur Festival, which will be March 2 through March 9 at FAU. The festival is sponsored by FAU Libraries and the Jewish Cultural Society (JCS) at FAU. Click here for complete Kultur Festival line-up.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 800-564-9539 or visit www.fauevents.com. Tickets can also be purchased at the FAU Box Office on campus.