



'America's leading female cantors' perform

In November, two Chicago-area cantors participated in an historic concert. The event, billed as starring “America’s leading female cantors,” was held at Hampton Synagogue in Westhampton, N.Y. It featured Anshe Emet Synagogue’s **Cantor Rachel Brook**—the first woman to have a senior clergy role at the congregation—and **Laurie Akers**, cantor at Congregation Or Shalom in Vernon Hills and Jewish Rock Radio artist. It was the first time in the event’s 26-year history that all four soloists were women. The other cantors who performed—Magda Fishman and Rachel Goldman—serve congregations in Florida and California, respectively.