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This compilation has been a decade in the making. Ten years ago, we four hopeless record collectors gathered in a Los Angeles coffee shop and talked the shared language of the dumpster-diving vinyl addict, shamelessly employing outdated analog terminology to discuss the artists we loved and the music they had made. The rare... the forgotten... the overlooked and the never-thought-about. These were the records in our collections we were peacocking that morning. The conversation turned to the most neglected, rarely discussed records of them all: Jewish vinyl. Not Streisand, Manilow or Diamond, but the lewish records we had all picked up wherever we could find them, records that went on to play unexpected roles in each of our lives. Each of our collections told us stories of American lewish life in the 20th century that man who invented his own dialect called "Vout," didn't seem to exist in textbooks, historical volumes or family lore.

This project, the story of the Latin-Jewish music craze that took shape in the 30s, peaked in the 50s and continued through the salsa heyday of the 70s and 80s, was at the forefront of our mission from the very beginning.

Ruth Wallis: It's a Scream How Levine Does the Rhumba 1952

We take the compilation's title from a 1953 single by Ruth Wallis. She included it in her 3-disc Rhumba Party collection for the Deluxe label, though its tongue-in-cheek story of Jews falling in love with Latin music was most certainly meant as a novelty tune. This potty-mouthed mistress of the double entendre cut her teeth in cabaret in the 50s and 60s, when she became known as the "Queen of the Party Song." After establishing herself singing jazz and cabaret standards on the cocktail lounge circuit, she rose to promi-

nence with a stream of such self-penned novelty songs as "The Dinghy Song," "Oueer Things," "Drill 'Em All" and "Marriage Jewish Style." Her performances soon became as belly laugh inducing as they proved controversial. Perhaps her mistake was to be born 40 years too early. In the 50s and 60s she was shunned by the media, who dared not publish her song titles, and she was banned from broadcast in Boston. This track is a fine example of her bawdy humor as the immigrant Levine experiments with rhumba lessons, quickly discovering what his maracas are really for

Slim Gaillard: Meshuganah Mambo 1956

For a jazz and blues eccentric like Gaillard-a sang about matzah balls and played the guitar while tap-dancing-fusing lewish themes into a mambo was a walk in the park. Born and raised in Detroit, Gaillard partnered with Slam Stewart in 1937 to create the duo Slim and Slam, who worked their way into Hollywood on the back of a smash hit, "Flat Foot Floogie," In the postwar period. Gaillard became a Los Angeles fixture renowned for his brilliant polyglot goofs on blues and jazz structures. Working his way into television and film, he grabbed parts in Roots: The Next Generation (1979) and Absolute Beginners (1986) with David Bowie. His single contribution to lewish-Latin musical history comes from his 1956 Verve release, Smorgasbord... Help Yourself

Carole King: Corazón 1973

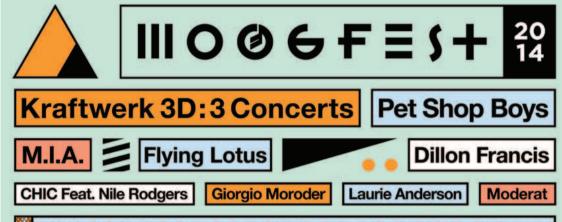
Carole King is known for many things-being a top Brill Building songsmith with her partner Gerry Goffin, a solo Los Angeles Tapestry pop-

folkie, one of the greatest writers in post-WWII American pop music—but she was never known for her Spanish-language vocal skills. Yet she more than manages to hold her own on this slice of chunky disco that she both wrote and sang for her 1973 album Fantasy, recorded for Lou Adler's Ode Records. This song by Carol Klein from Manhattan would decades later catch the ear of Mexico City electronic band Titán, which covered it for the Beastie Boys' label Grand Royal in 1999.

Larry Harlow: Yo Soy Latino 1983

Dubbed "El Judio Maravilloso," or the marvelous lew, pianist Larry Harlow is one of New York salsa's most prolific innovators. A tireless workhorse, Harlow-born Lawrence Ira Kahn-recorded 50 albums for the Fania label. produced over 100, created the symphonic 1978 song suite "La Raza Latina: A Salsa Suite," was the first to bring Yoruban Batá drums into borough salsa and was responsible for salsa's first opera, Hommy: A Latin Opera (his reimagining of The Who's Tommy). As salsa grew, Harlow was always there, anchoring the Fania All-Stars live shows from his piano bench and scoring the Our Latin Thing documentary, experimenting with the form while staying close to the Afro-Cuban roots that inspired him. In the late 50s, Harlow spent two years immersing himself in music and religion in Cuba and was later baptized in Santeria as a child of Ochun. His funk and rock-inflected swan song for Fania—recorded in 1978 but released in 1983-made his cultural and musical allegiances clear in its title, Yo Soy Latino ("I Am Latino").

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