



## **When Zaydeh Danced on Eldridge Street**

book by **Elsa Okon Rael**

lyrics and direction by **Shellen Lubin**

music and music direction by **Matthew Gandolfo**

**Jordan Charney** as **Zaydeh**

**Annabelle Wachtel** as **Zeesie**

and:

**Joanne Halev**

**Jacob Harran**

**Scott Harrison**

**Samantha Helmstetter**

A 1-hour concert reading at the

**Museum of Jewish Heritage**

**36 Battery Place, NYC**

**November 17-20, 2022**

choreography by **Teddy Kern**

production stage manager **Zija Brubaker Lubin-West**

**Tickets available at: [mjhnyc.org](http://mjhnyc.org)**

Based on the award-winning picture book by Elsa Okon Rael, *When Zaydeh Danced on Eldridge Street* is a 1-hour family musical which tells the story of Zeesie—a bright, inquisitive girl on the Lower East Side of New York City in 1935—and what surprises await her and her very stern grandfather on Simchat Torah, when they have no choice but to go to temple together while Mama is giving birth to a son, who Zaydeh hopes will finally be the one to carry on his legacy.

- **Thursday, November 17 at 12:00 p.m.** — Invited Dress Rehearsal (Open to the public)
- **Thursday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m.** — Benefit for The Zeesie Project and the Museum of Jewish Heritage (In Person and Livestream)
- **Friday, November 18 at 12:00 p.m.** (In Person with talkback with Lubin, Gandolfo, and a few of the actors)
- **Sunday, November 20 at 2:00 p.m.** (In Person and Livestream)

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