# ABRAHAM JAM

### OK, SO A MUSLIM, A CHRISTIAN, AND A JEW WALK INTO A CONCERT HALL...



## ...AND CREATE HARMONY.

"The music they make together is beautiful, and it grows directly from the authenticity of their friendship. You should book the Abraham Jam only if you hope to be reminded that dialogue, collaboration, and connection across differences can yield beauty." "Not only is every single piece a musical gem, but also the messages of peace, respect, and love model another kind of harmony. You will come away inspired."

— Rev. Carol Steele Montreat Conference Center — Frank Goldsmith Carolina Jews for Justice



It's no joke. With a collective resumé of dozens of albums and thousands of concerts worldwide, Billy Jonas and David LaMotte of Asheville NC, and Dawud Wharnsby of Kitchener, Canada, have teamed up to offer an evening of song, story, laughter, and inspiration generated by their own relationship across lines that sometimes divide us.

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### **Dawud Wharnsby**

Canadian born poet, songwriter and artist Dawud Wharnsby began sharing his songs with audiences as a street performer in his late teens. Over two decades later, his career as a troubadour has yielded fifteen solo albums, five poetry anthologies, numerous soundtrack credits, performances in some of the world's most prestigious theaters and collaborations with internationally celebrated artists.



### **Billy Jonas**



Performer, songsmith, educator, and multi-faith advocate, Billy has performed worldwide since 1987. His 9 CDs, 2 DVD's and PBS special feature voice, guitar and 'industrial re-percussion' -instruments made from found, foraged and recycled objects. When home, Billy is a cantorial soloist at his Asheville NC synagogue. From the White House to the West Bank/Palestine, from the U.K. to Israel, each concert is a soul-spelunking, heart healing, joy-filled journey.

### **David LaMotte**

A veteran of 12 CDs and 3000 concerts in all 50 states and on 5 continents, David LaMotte is an award-winning songwriter, author, public speaker, and the founder of an international non-profit that supports literacy and arts in Guatemala. *BBC Radio Belfast* lauds his "charm, stories, humour, insightful songs, sweet voice and dazzling guitar ability," and *The Hindu*, India's largest circulation newspaper, calls him "a global citizen [who has] touched hearts across the globe."



Abraham Jam also offers **workshops, residencies, retreats, and master classes** in *Abrahamic Faiths 101, Worldchanging 101, Songwriting, Re-Percussion*, and *Stagecraft*. For inquiries, please contact:



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