FRIEDMAN AND HAZAMIR — Nearly 1,000 guests came out for An Evening with Debbie & Friends, a benefit concert celebrating the folk songwriter and performer on behalf of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and its School of Sacred Music. Held Nov. 12 at New York City’s Central Synagogue, the evening also included performances by HaZamir: The International Jewish High School Choir, comprising nearly 100 teens from the metropolitan area; the Afro-Semitic Experience; and The Western Wind. The concert raised $450,000 and launched HUC-JIR’s Cantorial Invest-in-a-Student Campaign, through which donors sponsor cantorial students for their five years at the college.

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