

Tsippi Fleischer – Aharon Dolgopolsky's beloved wife – reveals

Dr. Tsippi Fleischer – a composer, educator and musicologist – was born in Haifa, Israel, in 1946. Her academic degrees include: BMus in theory, composition and conducting (Rubin Academy of Music, Jerusalem); BA in Hebrew Language, Arabic Language, Literature and History of the Middle East (Tel Aviv University); Music Teacher's Diploma (Levinsky College of Education, Tel Aviv); MA in Music Education (NYU); MA in Semitic Linguistics (Tel Aviv University); and PhD in Musicology (Bar Ilan University, Israel).

In the early 1970s, she was known primarily for her activities in the realm of jazz, light music and theatre music. In the late 1970s, Fleischer began to compose music for the concert stage. Her oeuvre includes seven symphonies, three operas (and more in progress), instrumental and chamber music, many art songs and choral compositions (ranging from works for unaccompanied choir to oratorios and cantatas for choir and orchestra), and several electronic works – including both purely-electronic compositions and works combining electronics and live performance. Her compositions have been performed by renowned musicians and ensembles throughout the world, and earned her many awards.

As an educator, she has trained many generations of young musicians who have since become well known in their own right; served as a lecturer in several institutions in Israel and abroad, most prominently the Levinsky College of Education in Tel Aviv. Her textbook "Harmonization of Songs" has become a required textbook in the Israeli educational system. Her research focuses on the history and stylistic analysis of Israeli Songs. The study of linguistics in general – and Semitic languages in particular – has been central to Fleischer's life and creative output.

Tsippi Fleischer's studies in Linguistics and Middle Eastern Studies brought about her meeting with Aharon Dolgopolsky shortly after his emigration from the Soviet Union to

Israel (1976), where he had already been promised a Professorship at Haifa University. During the short period prior to undertaking this post, he came as a guest lecturer to Tel Aviv University, where Tsippi has been studying a Master's degree in Semitic Languages. A passionate romance united the two, and they married in 1978. Tsippi returned to her native Haifa, where they built their happy, unique home, while she continued her frequent journeys to Tel Aviv in pursuit of her scholarly, educational, and creative activities. Their son Yaakov was born in 1982; he is now writing a doctoral dissertation in Biblical Studies at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

Their home was the overflowing library of a linguist and a composer, immersed in an unbounded love of art and culture. Tsippi decided to turn the copious collection of books in the field of Linguistics (containing over 12,000 items) to Bloomfield Library for Humanities and Social Sciences at The Hebrew University. It was catalogued, and is now internationally accessible worldwide on the academic interlibrary platforms. The dream of establishing the Aharon Dolgopolsky Center for Nostratic Research has not yet been fulfilled.

In 2021, Dr. Tsippi Fleischer completed the process of having Aharon Dolgopolsky's popular scientific articles translated into English and Hebrew. See the section of this website entitled: A. Dolgopolsky's popular scientific articles.

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