



**GALIT DADOUN-COHEN** brings a unique voice to the cantorate, combining a diverse Sephardic background with extensive classical musical training. Born and raised in Ashdod, Israel, to parents of Moroccan and Tunisian descent, she earned her Bachelor of Music and Artist Diploma from the Rubin Academy of Music of Tel Aviv University and her Master of Music from Brooklyn College – City University of New York. In 2010, Dadoun-Cohen received her cantorial ordination from the Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion. Since then, she has served as the Cantor of Temple B'nai Or in Morristown, N.J.

Galit Dadoun-Cohen has sung opera, classical song, Israeli and world music in festivals, concerts, synagogues and projects throughout the United States, Europe and Israel. In 2014, she was named one of “Best New Jewish Music Voices” by the Forward’s “Soundtrack of Our Spirit”. In 2015, Cantor Dadoun-Cohen published a chapter in “Voices in the Wilderness: Emerging Roles of Israeli Clergywomen”. In her cantorate, she strives to deepen the connection with one’s Jewish identity, through music, study, and community building.

During her studies at HUC, Cantor Dadoun-Cohen explored the fusion of traditional Sephardic folk song with Western art music in Jewish music of the 20th century. She enjoys exploring contemporary Israeli music, opera, chanson, and the Hazzanut tradition. In the fall of 2022, she was invited back by Hebrew Union College, to teach in the DFSSM Cantorial School. An alumnus of the Clergy Leadership Program at the Institute for Jewish Spirituality, she strives to create meaningful worship opportunities, rooted in tradition and searching for new realms of connection. Dadoun-Cohen currently served on the executive board of the Cantor’s Assembly and was chair of the NJ region for two years. In her work, she is passionate about empowering women’s expression and strengthening that voice in Judaism as well as deeply committed to Jewish peoplehood: teaching about Sephardic Jews and creating and reinforcing existing bridges between Israeli and Diaspora Jewry.

Galit and her husband Joe, share the gratitude and joy of parenthood of their three daughters Danielle, Naomi and Maya.