



**Last November** we put out a klezmer number, based on old Hassidic melodies, that we called "Home for the Holidays." It was loosely intended as our first annual Hanukkah release. This year's drop is called "Hanukkah on Japonica" and features a traditional Jewish bulgar ("The Voliner Bulgar") with a Hanukkah song ("Sevivon") folded in.

Japonica Street is the "lowest street in the upper Ninth Ward," right next to the Industrial Canal. In this recording, we imagine the drums and clarinet calling everybody out of their houses to come celebrate the Festival of

Lights. The accordion, tuba, banjo trombone and saxophone quickly fall in and it soon becomes apparent that "a great miracle happened there!"

Recorded October 13, 2015 at Listen Up! Studios, New Orleans, LA

Ben Schenck - Clarinet, Tambourine

Aurora Nealand - Alto Saxophone

Charlie Halloran - Trombone

Matt Schreiber - Accordion

Patrick Mackey - Banjo

Mark Rubin - Tuba

Doug Garrison - Drums

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