

# Delicious Passovers in The Village

*Izzy Abrahamson's THE VILLAGE FEASTS warms the heart*

Ten tasty tales adults and children of all ages will enjoy again and again. Delightful and amusing

**THE VILLAGE FEASTS** is the follow-up collection to **WINTER BLESSINGS** by National Jewish Book Award For Family Literature nominee Izzy Abrahamson

- Mrs. Chaipul refuses to cook.
- The Gold family can't afford matzah (unleavened bread).
- Reb Stein, the baker wants to set a world record.
- But why would anyone eat matzah made from cabbage?

Izzy Abrahamson's **THE VILLAGE FEASTS** is rich with the kind of misadventures and ingenious solutions to problems that can only come from residents of The Village. The stories dance with a traditional feel around contemporary issues.

"The eight days of Passover mark the transition between dark icy cold and warm sunshine," Izzy explains. "The streets turn to mud, the weather is inconsistent, and for a whole week you're not allowed to eat bread, only matzah. This is never easy, and so the villagers do their best to laugh and smile and complain, while they gather together to celebrate."

You'll learn why Mrs. Chaipul's lead sinker matzah balls are a favorite. And discover what was "The Last Temptation of Rabbi Kibbitz"?

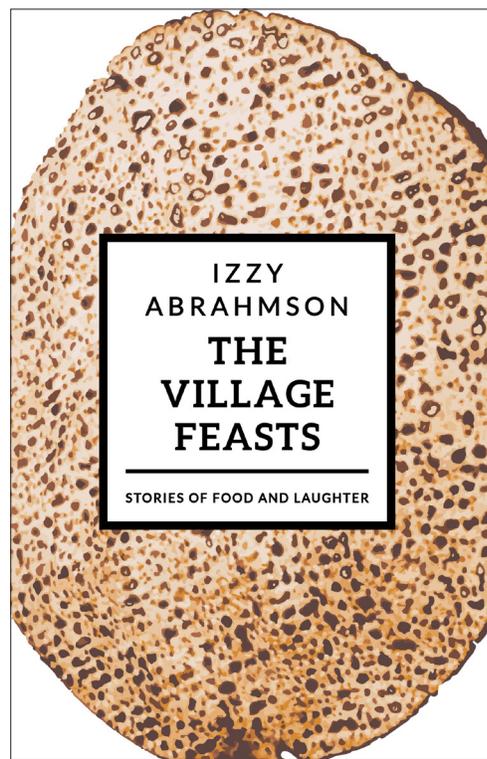
"The Village is snuggled in an indeterminate past that never was but certainly should have been, a past filled with love, humor, adventures and more than occasional misadventures. And when you go, be sure to bring the kids."

– *The Times of Israel*

**THE VILLAGE FEASTS** includes ten Passover stories perfect for adults and families with children. As always, you don't need to be Jewish to enjoy stories from The Village.

The audiobook is narrated by Audie-award nominated storyteller Mark Binder.

This is a book that you and your family will read and listen to again and again.



## THE VILLAGE FEASTS

by Izzy Abrahamson

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# About the Author and Narrator

**Izzy Abrahmson** is the author of the award-winning *Village Life* series, and pen name for Mark Binder

**Mark Binder** is a professional storyteller, and the author more than two-dozen books for adults, children and families. He has been nominated for the National Jewish Book Award for Family Literature, the Audie Audiobook Award for Best Original Work, and won a Parents' Choice Gold Award for audio storytelling. He has toured the world delighting readers and listeners of all ages with his stories interspersed with his unique klezmer harmonica sounds.



Mark began writing “The Village Life” stories while working as the editor of *The Rhode Island Jewish Herald*. Over the years, stories from “The Village” have been published in more than 50 newspapers and magazines around the world. **THE VILLAGE TWINS** was originally serialized from 1999 to 2001 in *The Jewish Herald Voice (Houston)*. An early edition was published as *The Brothers Schlemiel (Jewish Publications Society, YA, abridged)*.



A performer with more than twenty years of programs in theaters, festivals, schools, libraries, and community centers across the United States. He has twice toured in Europe and is featured in the Amazon/Audible series, “Story Party Live.”

A graduate of Columbia University, (BA, 1984) Mark studied mythology with *T.E. Gaster* and storytelling with Spalding Gray. He trained with the Adaptors Movement Theater (1985-87). He earned an MA in English and Writing, Acting and Directing from Rhode Island College and the Trinity Rep Conservatory (1990). He holds a third degree black belt in Aikido, has trained in centering and internal martial arts, and promises not to throw you across the room.

During COVID, Mark’s play, **THE RACE**, was produced by The Wilbury Group Theatre, and was the longest-running live theater performance on Zoom.

Mark has twice run for political office, and came frighteningly close to winning once.

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