

13TH ANNUAL JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL . . .



Celebration!
Cinema North

Sunday, May 1st 4:30 p.m.

LITTLE TRAITOR (*Family Matinee!*)

English and Hebrew 89 min



The film takes place in 1947 Palestine, just a few months before Israel becomes a state. Proffy, a militant yet sensitive twelve year old, has grown up under British occupation and wants nothing more than for the occupying British to get out of his land. He and his two friends are always plotting ways to terrorize the British until one evening, while he's out after curfew and seized by Sergeant Dunlop. Instead of arresting him, the Sergeant escorts him back home and a friendship begins to develop in the following weeks.

Sunday, May 1 • 6:00 p.m.

DINNER AT THE CINEMA!

Catered by Jimmy John's

Price: \$5.00 • RSVP by April 29

Sunday Films plus Dinner - \$15.00

6:45 p.m.

LA RAFLE (THE ROUNDUP)

French, German & Hungarian

w/subtitles

124 min

Not Rated

Joseph is eleven, and this June morning he must go to school, a yellow star sewn on his chest. He receives the support of a goods dealer and the mockery of a baker. Between such kindness and contempt, Jo, his Jewish friends, and their families, learn of life in an occupied Paris, on the Butte Mont-marte, where they've taken shelter. At least that's what they think, until that morning on July 16th, 1942, when their fragile happiness is toppled over. La Rafle follows the real destinies of the victims and the executioners, of those who orchestrated it all, of those who trusted them, of those who fled, and of those who opposed them. Every character in this film is real.



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Monday, May 2nd 7:30 p.m.

FOR MY FATHER

Hebrew w/subtitles

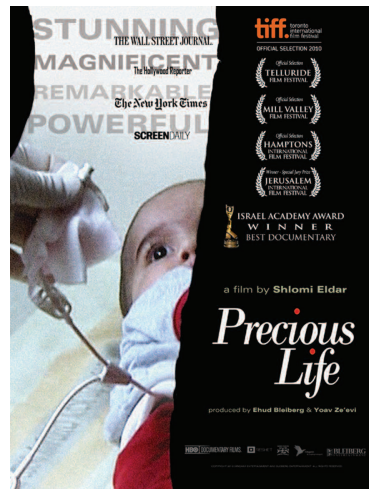
100 min

Tarek, a Palestinian forced on a suicide mission in Tel Aviv to redeem his father's honor, is given a second chance when the fuse on his explosive vest fails to detonate. Forced to spend the weekend in Tel Aviv awaiting its repair, Tarek must live amongst the people he was planning to kill. To his surprise he connects with several Israelis on the outskirts of society, including

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the beautiful Keren, who has cut off contact with her Orthodox family and upbringing. With nothing to lose, Tarek and Keren open up to one another, and an unlikely love blooms between two isolated and damaged individuals, raised to be enemies.



After Raida is told she may have to bury her newborn child next to her two daughters, who died from a genetic disease in Gaza, Dr. Raz Somech, a young pediatrician at Tel Hashomer Hospital, joins the fight to save the baby's life. He turns to the film director and Arab affairs correspondent, Shlomi Eldar, and asks him to broadcast a story about the "bubble boy".

Tuesday, May 3rd 7:30 p.m.

ANITA

Spanish w/subtitles

104 min

Anita is the story of a young woman with Down Syndrome who gets lost in Buenos Aires after the 1994 bomb attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center. The film is by renowned filmmaker Marcos Carnevale, director of Elsa and Fred, and stars Norma Aleandro, the "Meryl Streep" of Argentina.



Thursday, May 5th 7:30 p.m.

THE MATCHMAKER

Hebrew w/subtitles

113 min

Not Rated

Avi Neshet's film mixes comedy with drama as it tells a coming-of-age story unlike any you've ever seen before.

Arik, a teenage boy growing up in Haifa in 1968, gets a job working for Yankele, a mysterious Holocaust survivor and matchmaker. He has an office in back of a



movie theater that shows only love stories. Yankele introduces Arik to a new world, built on the ruins of an old one. As Arik begins to learn the mysteries of the human heart through his work with Yankele, he falls in love with Tamara.

Wednesday, May 4th

Festival Dinner 6:00 p.m.

MIDDLE EASTERN DINNER

In the Wave Room at Celebration! Cinema

Adults: \$8.00, Children (12 years old and younger: \$5.00)

7:30 p.m.

PRECIOUS LIFE

Documentary - Hebrew, English &

Arabic w/subtitles

86 min

Admission is \$6.00 per film
Flex Pass tickets for 8 admissions are \$36 each,
and are available until April 29
at the Jewish Federation
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