



ISRAEL FILM CENTER

The JCC in Manhattan The Samuel Priest Rose Building 334 Amsterdam Ave at 76th St

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Haifa International Film Festival

The 26th Haifa International Film Festival (HIFF) has partially announced its slate. On offer are Israeli films that have been making waves at other international film festivals (Eran Riklis' *The Human Resources Manager* and Eitan Tzur's *Naomi*) as well as a host of intriguing newcomers. Ronit Elkabetz will be honored with a lifetime achievement award and The Israel Film Fund's 30th anniversary will also be feted.

The Israel Film Center will present an award to an Israeli narrative feature film participating in the festival. The award will help secure, or support, U.S. distribution for the winning film.

In addition, The Israel Film Center will be facilitating participation of an American film industry member as a judge on the Cinemarket - Our Stories Pitching Forum, where 14 new Israeli projects of prominent writers and directors at development or screenplay stage will be presented.

The Other Israel Film Festival will co-present a selection of films from HIFF's program at Wadi Nisnas, an Arab neighborhood in downtown Haifa, bringing the best of Israeli cinema to new audiences. The Other Israel Film Festival will also present an award as part of the festival's mission to provide a dynamic and inclusive forum for the exploration of, and dialog about, populations in margins of Israeli society.



Upcoming Screenings at the Israel Film Center

The following screenings take place at The JCC in Manhattan, 334 Amsterdam Ave at 76th Street.

INVENTING OUR LIFE: THE KIBBUTZ EXPERIMENT

Directed by Toby Perl Freilich
(79 min, Israel, 2010)

A full rough-cut screening of a documentary examining the 100-year history of Israel's kibbutz movement, recreating its glorious past and chronicling its recent decline. Director Toby Perl Freilich will participate in a brief panel discussion.

Co-sponsored by [Tablet Magazine](#).

Tuesday, September 7, 7:30 pm

[More Information and Tickets](#)

FIREFLIES (GACHLILYOT)

Directed by Gili Meisler
(82 min, Israel, 2009)

The story of Gili, as a 12-year-old boy, a 24-year-old young man and a 44-year-old adult, who ventures out in search of his brother Giora, who disappeared in the Yom Kippur War. Director Gili Meisler will introduce the film and be available for a Q&A afterward. *Co-sponsored by [Friends of the IDF](#).*

Tuesday, September 14, 7:30 pm

[More Information and Tickets](#)

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Israeli Filmmakers - Fall Tours in the US

For more information about booking these filmmakers, please visit [our forum](#).

A remarkable line-up of acclaimed Israeli filmmakers will be touring the US in the coming months. Community, culture, and academic organizations are encouraged to present these remarkable films & filmmakers to their communities.

Michal Bat Adam (Director, *Maya*)
Northeast US, October-November

Eitan Green (Director, *It All Begins at Sea*)
NY area only, Mid-October

Dana Goren (Director, *Diplomat*)
NY Area, Sep 17-29. Pittsburgh/Midwest rest of the Fall

Amy Kronish (film critic)
NY Area, Nov 2-10. West Coast, Nov 11-15

Gili Meisler (Director, *Fireflies*)
NY area only, Sep 12-15

Ethan Melamed (Director, *Variations for Piano for Six Hands*)
NY Area, Sep 17 - 29

Leon Prudovsky (Director, *Five Hours from Paris*)
National Tour, November 1-15

Pini Tavger and **Leon Prudovsky** will also be touring with the Tau Shorts Film Series, a collaboration between the Tel-Aviv University Film & TV Dept. and the Consulate General of Israel in NY
National Tour, November 1-15

Pablo Utin (film scholar/critic)
Miami, Chicago, Texas and NY, Mid-October



SAVE THE DATE
**Other Israel Film Festival (Nov 11-21,
2010)**

More Films. More Locations. More Dates. More Perspectives.

Now back for its 4th year with an extended schedule of screenings in Manhattan and Brooklyn, the Other Israel Film Festival features films by and about Israel's diverse communities.

To learn more and join our mailing list visit:

www.otherisrael.org



Jaffa, a hit at last year's Other Israel Film Festival, is now available for non-theatrical booking, courtesy of Film Movement. For further details, please contact Rachel Langus at rachel@filmmovement.org.



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