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The Human Resources Manager

Eran Riklis' hit *The Human Resources Manager* starts its nationwide theatrical release this Friday, March 4. For more details on showtimes near you, visit distributor [Film Movement](#).

Israel Film Center Founder Isaac Zablocki caught up with Eran Riklis at the Berlin International Film Festival recently. [Click here for the exclusive Israel Film Center Interview](#).



The Flood (Mabul)

Awards & Festival News

The Berlin International Film Festival wrapped a little over a week ago, and two Israeli selections were honored with awards. The Ecumenical Jury, Panorama Section Prize was bestowed on [INVISIBLE](#) (Lo Roim Alaich). Guy Nattiv's [THE FLOOD](#)(Mabul) reeled in a Special Mention in the Generation Kplus category.

March sees a wide variety of Israeli films featured across the International Film Festival slate:

- South By Southwest (SXSW) has picked up [ANDANTE](#) and the short [WAJEH](#)
- The True/False Film Festival screens [HULA AND NATAN](#)
- The Miami International Film Festival's slate includes [INTIMATE GRAMMAR](#) and [PRECIOUS LIFE](#).
- The Palm Beach International Film Festival is showing [JE T'AIME, I LOVE YOU TERMINAL](#)
- New Directors/New Films screens [MAN WITHOUT A CELL PHONE](#)



Lipstikka

Israel Film Center @ The Berlinale

The Israeli Film Center team was on hand at the Berlinale (Berlin International Film Festival) to support the huge presence Israeli Film presence there. The Israeli film industry threw a wonderful party and had an active stand at the international market drawing tremendous

interest from the film Industry, as well as general audiences. In addition, Lia Van-Lear, the Founder of Jerusalem Cinemateque and Film Festival, was honored with a special award and a film about her life and professional achievements was screened.

Features in the competition were:

[THE QUEEN HAS NO CROWN](#) - The latest segment from Tomer Heymann's series of personal movies (last year he brought "I Shot My Love" to Berlin), this one focuses on his mother as her sons leave Israel.

[THE FLOOD](#) (Mabul) - a beautiful production and sweet family story in the spirit of Aviva, My Love and A Matter of Size, about a family forced to contend with one another when their autistic child is sent home from his institution.

[INTIMATE GRAMMAR](#) (Dikduk Pnimi) - The David Grossman novel about being a child in Jerusalem in the 60's.

[INVISIBLE](#) (Lo Roim Alayich) - The story of two women who were victims of a serial rapist 20 years earlier and are still overcoming.

[LIPSTIKKA](#) - Clara Khuri stars in this British-co-production thriller about two Palestinian women with a secret past.

SUSYA - This obscure short film documents the visit of an Arab man to an Israeli archeological tourist site which used to be his home.



New York Sephardic Film Festival

The 15th NY Sephardic Jewish Film Festival, March 10-16, features 7 Israeli films this year, as well as a special spotlight on Ronit Elkabetz. Among the films are [ZION & HIS BROTHER](#) by first-time director Eran Merav, starring Elkabetz; [THERE WERE NIGHTS](#), starring Moshe Ivgy and Dana Ivgy; Award winning director Dan Wolman's Valley of Strength (Gei Oni), and more. The Israel Film Center at The JCC in Manhattan will present two films in partnership with the festival - Zion & His Brother, and Jubanos: The Jews of Cuba.

For complete festival information visit SephardicFilmFest.org



Upcoming Israel Film Center Screenings
at The JCC in Manhattan - 334 Amsterdam Ave, New York

ZION AND HIS BROTHER

Tue, Mar 15, 7:30pm

A sensitive coming-of-age drama set in a gritty working-class neighborhood of Haifa, amidst the circumstances of an absent father and a single mother (Ronit Elkabetz).

Screening as part of the [15th Annual NY Sephardic Jewish Film Festival](#).

[More Information & Tickets](#)

**SAM SPIEGEL FILM SCHOOL TAKES
MANHATTAN** *(a selection of shorts from Israel's
leading film school)*

Wed, Mar 23, 7:30pm

Celebrate 20 years of Israel's leading film school with a selection of award-winning short films, followed by a conversation with the school's founder Renen Schorr, Richard Peña, Film Program Director of The Film Society of Lincoln Center and leading Sam Spiegel graduates. *Co-presented by [HurryDate](#).*

[More Information & Tickets](#)

PHOBIDILIA

Mon, Apr 11, 7:30pm

In this stylish Israeli psychodrama Regev decides to shun human contact and never again leave his Tel Aviv apartment. His only contact with the human world is through his landlord, an elderly Holocaust survivor, who delivers him an eviction notice.

[More Information & Tickets](#)

Save The Date

Jewish Film Presenters Network Conference: June 5-6 at The JCC in Manhattan

We are proud to announce that The Israel Film Center at The JCC in Manhattan will be hosting a conference for Jewish film presenters in NYC to explore changes and developments in the field of film presentation and to better connect film festivals to share resources, ideas, and keep market standards.

The conference will take place June 5-6, 2011. For more information and to register, please send us an email at jfilmnetwork@gmail.com

FROM FRIENDS OF THE ISRAEL FILM CENTER



FILM MOVEMENT IS PROUD TO PRESENT
THE NEW YORK CITY THEATRICAL PREMIERE OF

the human resources manager

a film by Eran Riklis

OPENS FRIDAY MARCH 4th

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