

Friends Jewish Film Festival

"We invite you to attend our First International Jewish Film Festival. Our diverse selections include the unlikely friendship between two first-time New York City school teachers who smartly and comedically tackle the complex issues of prejudice and multicultural diversity, "Guess Who's Coming to Shabbat Dinner," performances by first class musicians from the West-Eastern Divan Orchestra and the political and cultural issues that get raised when they travel to foreign concert sites, and a documentary about six legendary American Jewish comics and what it means to be Jewish, female, and the dream of making it in show business."

Arranged

Saturday, May 10, 2008 at 7:00pm with Havdallah, Film & a Dessert Reception in honor of Rabbi Gallop and Rabbi Nagel at 9pm

United States/2007 English . Two first-time New York school-teachers form an unlikely friendship in this endearing comedy that also smartly tackles complex issues of prejudice and multicultural diversity. Rochel Meshenberg is an Orthodox Jew and Nasira Khaldi is a devout Muslim from Syria. Struggling with traditional religious upbringings and impending arranged marriages, both women soon discover that they have more in common than they think. In true indie fashion, the film was shot in just 17 days on location in Brooklyn and New Jersey, and is based on the real life experiences of Executive Producer Yuta Silverman. Arranged was awarded Best Narrative Feature at the 2007 Brooklyn International Film Festival. USA, 2007 * 89min Film

Bad Faith

Thursday, May 15, 2008 at 7:30pm

Belgium, France, 2006 French w/English Subtitles Director: Roschdy Zem The fact that Clara is Jewish and Ishmael is Muslim barely crosses the minds of these secular lovers until Clara becomes pregnant. This timely, romantic comedy could be called, "Guess Who's Coming to Shabbat Dinner!"

Knowledge is the Beginning

Saturday, May 17, 2008 at 7:30pm & Dessert Reception

Germany/Israel, 2006 Arabic, Hebrew, English, German /W English Subtitles Director: Paul Smaczny Conductor and pianist Daniel Barenboim created the West-Eastern Divan Orchestra, which included talented musicians ages 14-25 from Israel, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Tunisia. The orchestra gives world-class concerts internationally, including in Jerusalem and Ramallah. The film is a combination of first class performances by dedicated musicians and political and cultural issues raised by Barenboim as he travels to Ramallah and other concert sites.

Making Trouble

Saturday, May 24, 2008 at 7:30pm & Closing Reception following the film

United States, 2006 English Director: Rachel Talbot Making Trouble celebrates three generations of Jewish women who made the successful transition from vaudeville and the Yiddish theater to Broadway, from the *Ziegfeld Follies* to *Saturday Night Live*. Six legendary American Jewish comics are explored: Molly Picon, Fanny Brice, Sophie Tucker, Joan Rivers, Wendy Wasserstein and Gilda Radner. This fascinating documentary shows what it meant at the time to be Jewish, to be female, and to dream of making it in show business.

\$8.00 General Admission per film or buy the series for \$28.00 for all four shows.

All ticket orders will be available at the will call table & tickets purchases will be available at the door 15 minutes prior to the performance.

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Film	# of Tickets	Amount per Ticket	Total
<i>Arranged</i>		\$8	
<i>Bad Faith</i>		\$8	
<i>Knowledge is the Beginning</i>		\$8	
<i>Making Trouble</i>		\$8	
Set of all 4 Tickets		\$28	

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