

**AN AMERICAN TAIL:** The story of one mouse family's journey to America and their son who got lost along the way. This is a family-friendly animated feature that kids, parents and grandparents can enjoy!

**ABE** Comedy: A 12-year-old New Yorker has identity issues, having a Jewish-Israeli mother and a Muslim-Palestinian father. Politics play out at the dinner table but Abe's focus is in the kitchen, where the cultural fix he seeks is of the food fusion variety. A coming of age story about how the power of food and love can overcome prejudices.

**THE ACCOUNTANT OF AUSCHWITZ** Documentary: German & English with subtitles  
Raising thorny moral and legal questions, this film reconstructs the 2015 controversial war crimes trial of an elderly Nazi underling that made headlines worldwide.

**THE ART OF WAITING** Drama: Hebrew with subtitles. Stress threatens to undermine the love of a couple undergoing fertility treatment in this film. Will their love survive the family pressure and the challenges of fertility treatment?

**AUTONOMIES** Drama: Hebrew, Yiddish with subtitles (2-part same day one price)  
This is a globally relevant, dystopian tale from the creators of *Shtisel* centers on the burning issues of identity, religion, politics and personal freedom in present day Israel.

**BROKEN MIRROR** Drama: Hebrew with subtitles From the outside, a family lives an enviable life, but a dark secret lies underneath the surface

**CITY OF JOEL** Documentary: Small-town politics and ancient traditions collide deep in the Hudson Valley in an absorbing account of a high-profile turf war between an ultra-Orthodox community and its neighbors.

**CRESCENDO** Drama: Arabic, English, German, Hebrew with subtitles. When a famous conductor tries to create an Israeli-Palestinian orchestra he it takes skill and resources to get them to play in harmony. This film about the power of music, acceptance and reconciliation will strike a chord with young and old alike.

**FIDDLER: A MIRACLE OF MIRACLES** Documentary: Sholom Aleichem's story of Tevye the Milkman became an unlikely Broadway classic. A sweeping and joyous look back at the creative origins and long-lasting cultural impact of a musical masterpiece.

**A FORTUNATE MAN** Drama, Danish, German with subtitles. A pastor's ambitious son, seeking to reject his strict religious upbringing and fulfill his dreams, hopes to marry into a Jewish family and find success in 19th century Copenhagen.

**GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT** Drama (1948 film): A highly respected writer is recruited by a national magazine to write a series of articles on anti-Semitism in America. It takes little time for him to experience bigotry. His anger at the way he is

treated also affects his relationship with his publisher's niece and the person who suggested the series in the first place.

**THE GOOD NAZI** Documentary: A Holocaust film with an unexpected hero--a Nazi major. Karl Plagge is a Schindler-type German officer who saved hundreds of Jews in Lithuania from the murderous SS by creating a "forced labor camp" called "HKP."

**HENRI DAUMAN: LOOKING UP** Documentary: French, English with subtitles. Focusing a lens on one of the 20th century's preeminent photojournalists, this film celebrates the seminal work and inspiring story of the artist behind some of the world's most iconic images.

**THE KEEPER** Drama: An incredible true story of Bert Trautmann, a German soldier and POW who, against a backdrop of British post-war protest and prejudice, becomes goalkeeper at Manchester City and a footballing icon. His signing outrages thousands of fans, many of them Jewish. The story raises questions about love and forgiveness, forgetting, and the power of sports to unite and sometimes even reunite.

**KING BIBI** Documentary: Hebrew with subtitles. This film charts the ascent of Israel's media-savvy prime minister. It reveals a controversial politician's instinct for seizing power through the art of communication.

**LEONA** Drama: Spanish with subtitles. A young woman from Mexico City is torn between her Syrian-Jewish family and a forbidden love in this melancholic film. Bridging the divide between generations and cultures, it blends romantic comedy with a feminist journey of discovery and self-determination.

**LOVE IN SUSPENDERS** Comedy: Hebrew with subtitles. An encounter between two people with vastly different personalities might be expected to result in a nightmarish outcome, but this film proves that love plays by its own inexplicable rules.

**MURDER: ANATOMY OF A TRIAL** Drama: German, Hebrew Yiddish with subtitles. This transfixing courtroom drama depicts one of history's most shameful miscarriages of justice. It reconstructs the case of a sadistic Nazi war criminal and the ensuing scandal that implicated the Austrian courts, press and political apparatus.

**MY NAME IS SARA** Drama: Based on the true-life story of a 13-year-old Polish Jew whose entire family was killed by Nazis, the film recounts the girl's grueling escape and attempt at survival. It provides a fascinating insight into Ukrainian identity and society and gives testament to the bravery of a single young woman.

**MY POLISH HONEYMOON** Comedy/ Drama: French with subtitles. With a mixture of romantic comedy and drama, this film offers a look at the joys and pain that come with learning about one's family history.

**NOBLE SAVAGE** Drama: Hebrew with subtitles. This is a disturbing but beautifully acted and humane examination of anguished characters fighting to overcome their circumstances.

**THE OTHER STORY** Drama: Hebrew with subtitles. Complications arise when a dysfunctional Israeli family tries to lure their willful daughter away from Orthodox Judaism.

**THE RABBI FROM HEZBOLLAH** Documentary: Hebrew with subtitles. This movie explores the incredible story of a Lebanese Muslim member of Hezbollah who transformed into an ultra-Orthodox Jew living in Israel and one of the country's top international agents and spies.

**SHEPHERD: THE STORY OF A JEWISH DOG** Drama: \*\*\* Recommended for ages 11 years and older. In this heartwarming family story, the timeless, unbreakable bond between a boy and his faithful dog is put to the ultimate test in wartime Berlin.

**SHOOTING LIFE** Drama: Hebrew with subtitles. While helping his war-weary students find their own voices, a high school teacher attempts to start a new life in an Israeli town perpetually in danger.

#### **SHORT PROGRAM 4 SHORT FILMS:**

*THE GREATER PHOENIX JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL SHORTS PROGRAM* is a carefully curated collection of four short feature films, including the top three selections from the Greater Phoenix Jewish Film Festival-sponsored Israel Student Filmmaker Contest. Its purpose is to support student filmmakers and Israel in the Festival. Also shown will be a short film by Valley resident, Connor Griffin, who was sponsored by the Greater Phoenix Jewish Film Festival at the Jerusalem International Film Workshop, a five-week program in Israel this past summer.

**THE SECULAR OASIS** USA: Hebrew w/ English subtitles  
Cinematographer: Connor Griffin:, 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Yeshiva student Nir pursues knowledge about his culture and Jewish identity.

**NOA** Israel: Hebrew w/ English subtitles •  
Director: Shulamit Lifshitz, 2<sup>nd</sup> place

When Noa attempts to escape from abuse under her own roof she unintentionally puts her younger sister at risk.

**SUSHI, MEATBALLS & EVERYTHING** Israel Hebrew w/ English subtitles

Director: Liel Gur, 1<sup>st</sup> place  
A young woman decides to stand up to her loving in-laws, once and for all.

**MAMAN** Israel Hebrew w/ English subtitles

Director Hila Cohen

Amos runs to the aid of her 90-year-old neighbor, whose husband dies just before Shabbat sets in. But before calling for help, they light the traditional Shabbat candles together.

**THE SPY BEHIND HOME PLATE** Documentary: From the streets of Newark to five major league teams to his secret life spying for the Office of Strategic Service during World War II. Morris "Moe" Berg's improbable life story is captured in this film.

**STANDING UP, FALLING DOWN** Comedy: A funny and emotionally resonant story about finding the strength to start anew. An unlikely friendship kindles between a stand-up comedian from L.A. who is forced to move back home and a tragically flawed alcoholic dermatologist.

**TEL AVIV ON FIRE** Comedy: Arabic & Hebrew Subtitles. A soap opera writer finds himself caught in the crossfire of the Israeli Palestinian conflict in the audacious, big hearted satire.

**THOSE WHO REMAINED** Drama: Hungarian with subtitles. A lyrical story of the healing power of love amid conflict, loss and trauma. This movie reveals the healing process of Holocaust survivors through the eyes of a young girl in post Hungary.

**THE TOBACCONIST** Drama: German with subtitles. Is a tender coming of age of a young man with Sigmund Freud during the Nazi occupation of Vienna.

**UPSIDE DOWN TREE** Drama: Hebrew with subtitles. A fascinating psychological thriller about the question of identity and relationship in times of war.

**WORKING WOMAN** Drama: Hebrew & French with subtitles chronicles a few months in the working life of a woman trapped in an abusive workspace who must choose between supporting her family and her self-esteem.