# Temple Beth-El Jewish Film Series presents The World is Funny

June 1, Saturday 7:00 p.m.

### **Awards:**

Nominated for a record 15 Israeli Academy Awards, including Best Film, Best Director, Best Actor.

## **About:**

This is a film about bereavement, longing and the power of family. But the underlying theme is about healing, how love can provide remedy, how fiction can make reality bearable, and how humor works as a way to fix one another. Aspiring writer Zafi uses her housecleaning jobs to find interesting tales. Among them are accounts of some of estranged siblings. The oldest sister is shocked to discover she's pregnant since she hasn't had sex with anyone in years. Her brother has to deal with the return of his son, who just woke up from a nine-year coma. The youngest brother finds out that his girlfriend is dying of cancer. But somehow they all find ways to find humor in their lives. Sometimes the only answer is 'The world is funny so we have to laugh.'

### **Reviews:**

"Despite its large cast, every actor delivers great performances; despite its multiple subplots, each storyline weaves together perfectly and efficiently. You owe yourselves a favor to check out *The World is Funny*." "The film is funnier than it is sad, but a real sense of empathy exists."



# DOORS OPEN AT 6:45 p.m.

# DISCUSSION AFTER THE FILM WITH SIMONA

In Hebrew with English subtitles

Not rated, 2 hrs

SUGGESTED DONATION \$7/PP OR BETTER

### **RSVP REQUIRED**

To Simona at BAKEREC@comcast.net

