The Mizel Arts and Culture Center Announces 2017 Denver Jewish Film Festival, February 8-20

Film Festival offers 32 films showcasing Jewish and Israeli cinema

DENVER, Colo., January 18, 2017 – Mizel Arts and Culture Center (MACC) is hosting the 21st annual Denver Jewish Film Festival sponsored by Wagner Wealth Management and the Sturm Family Foundation from February 8-20 in the Elaine Wolf Theatre on the campus of The Robert E. Loup Jewish Community Center (JCC Denver). The series includes 32 films that showcase Jewish and Israeli cinema.

“The film festival provides an opportunity for film lovers, the greater Denver community and those who have a connection to Judaism to watch an eclectic variety of one-of-a-kind films that are not available in other theaters,” said Steve Wilson, executive artistic director of the MACC at the JCC Denver. “We are thrilled to announce the incredible line-up of films in our 21st annual festival, and look forward to sharing them with the community.”

The 2017 festival celebrates exceptional “unsung heroes” past and present and kicks off with a film about Jewish Actor Leonard Nimoy called For the Love of Spock. The film offers a revealing portrait of Nimoy and the cultural phenomenon of his character, Mr. Spock. The film is directed by his son, Adam Nimoy, and celebrates the 50th anniversary of Star Trek. Opening night on Wednesday, Feb. 8 begins at 5:30 p.m. with a champagne and dessert reception, followed by the film at 7 p.m. Tickets to the reception and film are $50.

The showcased films are a combination of narrative features, documentaries, films from and about Israel, and those by Israeli artists and include: Abulele, Antenna, Atomic Falafel, Curt Lowens: A Life of Changes, Dirty Wolves, Disturbing the Peace,

The films included in the festival have been screened at film festivals across the globe, many of them premiering for the first time in Denver or Colorado.

All seating is reserved. Tickets to each film are $13 for adults, $11 for seniors and students. Multi-film packages are also available for purchase at varying costs. Festival tickets can be purchased at http://bit.ly/2hOJ6Gi.

The MACC Box office is located at 350 S. Dahlia Street and is open for phone inquiries Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (1 p.m. - 5p.m. for walk up business) and one hour before all screenings. For more information, visit www.maccjcc.org or call (303) 316-6360.

ABOUT MIZEL ARTS AND CULTURE CENTER (MACC)
The Mizel Arts and Culture Center (MACC) located at the Robert E. Loup Jewish Community Center (JCC Denver) illuminates the human experience through creative and cultural programs in the performing, visual, cinematic and literary arts for the Jewish community and the Denver community at-large. MACC is one of the Rocky Mountain region’s premier arts organizations. MACC is a Tier II member of the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) and is guided by a mission that is focused specifically on arts and cultural programs. MACC offers a variety of cultural programs including Denver Jewish Film Festival, JAAMM Fest (Jewish Arts, Authors, Movies and Music Fest), Denver Children’s Theater, Wolf Theater Academy, Art Academy and adult art classes. MACC is located at 350 S. Dahlia Street in Denver. For more information, visit www.maccjcc.org or (303) 316-6360.

ABOUT ROBERT E. LOUP JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
The Robert E. Loup Jewish Community Center (JCC Denver) serves the metro-Denver area through educational, social, cultural, fitness, sports and other programs that are rooted in Jewish values. The J's mission is to build a community, rooted in Jewish values, where everyone feels like they belong. The J's six program areas focus on connection, community and well-being and include: a robust fitness, sports and aquatic center; Early Childhood Center; Family Programs including a variety of courses for kids and families; the Mizel Arts and Culture Center (MACC) which offers Denver Children’s Theater, JAAMM Fest (Jewish Arts, Authors, Movies & Music), Denver Jewish Film Festival, Wolf Summer Theater Academy, Art Academy and adult art classes; intergenerational programming; summer camps including Ranch Camp and Camp Shai; and Jewish learning and enrichment programs. The JCC
Denver is located at 350 S. Dahlia St. in Denver. For more information, visit www.jccdenver.org or call (303) 399-2660.

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