

Sixth Annual Columbus Jewish Film Festival

November 7-10 & 14-16

2010 Film Lineup

Matter of Size (Israel)

Opening Night November 7

Fed up with a diet obsessed world, four Israeli friends learn to love themselves through the sport of sumo wrestling, where large people are honored and appreciated.

Un Secret (France)

Opening Night November 7

Adapted from a best-selling autobiographical novel, the film follows the saga of a Jewish family in France. On the son's 15th birthday, a family friend reveals the shattering story that traces the lives of his parents and the secrets that they have kept from him.

Eli & Ben (Israel)

Monday, November 8

An Israeli boy wrestles with real life ethical dilemmas and his love for his father. Twelve year old Eli has his world turned upside down after his architect father is charged with taking bribes.

Ahead of Time (USA)

Tuesday, November 9

Born in Brooklyn in 1911, Ruth Gruber was the youngest Ph.D. in the world before becoming an international correspondent and photojournalist. Her career spanned decades and included escorting holocaust refugees to America and covering the Nuremberg trials. Gruber recounts her life and adventures with insight and humor.

Saviors in the Night (Germany/France)

Wednesday, November 10

Based on the 1965 memoir of Marga Spiegel, *Saviors* tells the story of how a courageous farmer in the German countryside hides a Jewish Family in 1943, and saves them from deportation to the camps. Presented in commemoration of the anniversary of Kristallnacht. *Presented in partnership with the Columbus Jewish Federation's Holocaust Education Committee*

Off & Running (USA)

Sunday, November 14

Adopted by a white, Jewish, lesbian couple, African American Avery grew up in a loving home. Her decision to contact her birth mother propels her into a complicated exploration of race, identity and family. *Presented in partnership with the National Council for Jewish Women*

Jews & Baseball: An American Love Story (USA)

Sunday, November 14

Narrated by Dustin Hoffman, this documentary explores the connection between Jewish Americans and baseball. More than a film about sports, it is a story about immigration, assimilation, bigotry and heroism.

Presented in partnership with the Tifereth Israel Men's Club

Louder than a Bomb (USA)

Sunday, November 14

A powerful and inspiring story about four Chicago area high school poetry teams as they prepare for and compete in the world's largest poetry slam. Co-directed and produced by Columbus native Greg Jacobs.

Will Eisner: Portrait of a Sequential Artist (USA)

Monday, November 15

The impact of Will Eisner on the dynamic genre of American comic books cannot be overstated. This is the definitive documentary about this comic book pioneer who inspired today's popular graphic novel art form. Presented in conjunction with the Columbus Museum of Art

Anita (Argentina)

Tuesday, November 16

A terrorist bombing in Buenos Aires upends the world of a girl with Down Syndrome. Disoriented in the wake of the attack, Anita wanders the city in search of her missing mother. As Anita, Alejandro Manzo, an actress living with down syndrome, delivers a stunning performance.

For My Father (Israel)

Tuesday, November 16

A young Palestinian on a suicide mission in Tel Aviv is given a second chance when the explosive's fuse fails to detonate. Forced to spend the weekend in Tel Aviv, he befriends several Israelis, including a beautiful, young woman who is estranged from her Orthodox family.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 7 - Opening Night (CCAD)

4:00 pm Matter of Size
5:45 pm Dinner reception
7:00 pm Eli & Ben

Monday, November 8 – Drexel

7:00 pm Un Secret

Tuesday, November 9 – JCC

5:30 pm Eight Over Eighty program & dinner
7:00 pm Ahead of Time

Wednesday, November 10 – JCC

7:00: Saviors in the Night

Sunday, November 14 – Gateway Film Center/Doc Sunday

11:00 am Off & Running
1:15 pm Jews & Baseball
3:15 pm Louder Than A Bomb
5:00 pm Program – director & poetry reading

Monday, November 15 – Columbus Museum of Art

6:00 pm R. Crumb's "Bible Illuminated" exhibit tour
7:00 pm Will Eisner film
8:30 pm Q&A with director Andrew Cooke
9:00 pm Dessert reception

Tuesday, November 16 – Arena Grand

6:00 pm Anita
8:00 pm For My Father