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December 2 • 7:00 PM
December 3 • 2:00 PM

UNDER THE DOMIM TREE

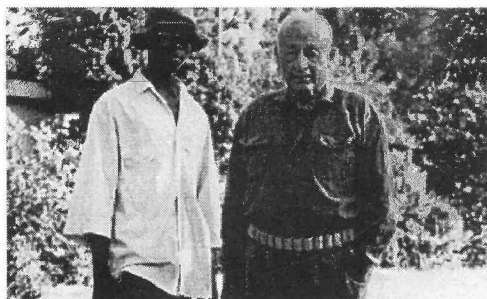
DIRECTED BY ELI COHEN
ISRAEL 1995 96 MINS.
HEBREW WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES

Set in Israel circa 1950, *Under the Domim Tree* is a profoundly moving drama based on the autobiographical book by Israel's leading lady of the stage and screen, Gila Almagor. More than a coming-of-age story, this film follows the lives of teenagers who live at a youth village for orphans of the Holocaust and troubled Israeli youth. By day these teenagers are like any other, but at night the horror and tragedy of their past haunts them. Together, under the peace and beauty of the domim tree, a generation finds the hope and solidarity to look to the future.

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December 6 • 6:45 PM
December 7 • 9:00 PM

BLACK TO THE PROMISED LAND

DIRECTED BY MADELEINE ALI
USA 1992 100 MINS. ENGLISH
Voted Audience Favorite at the San Francisco International Film Festival, *Black to the Promised Land* is a bubbly, warm-hearted documentary about eleven African American high school kids from Brooklyn who work on a kibbutz for ten weeks with their Jewish teacher. From inner-city to the idealistic Jewish farms, we witness the fascinating and amusing confrontation between two completely disparate worlds. Stereotypes and prejudice get laid by the wayside as real experience takes over. A delightful, upbeat film told with candor, charm, and a wonderful jazz score by Branford Marsalis.



December 4 • 7:00 PM
December 5 • 9:00 PM

FREUD LEAVING HOME

DIRECTED BY SUSANNE BIER
SWEDEN 1991 100 MINS. SWEDISH
WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES

Freud is the 25-year-old daughter of Ruben and Rosha Cohen. Much to her chagrin, Freud still lives at home with her parents in Stockholm. But when Mama Rosha's 60th birthday approaches and Freud's siblings fly in—her sister an orthodox Jew from Israel and her brother, a gay businessman from Florida—she decides to escape her cloistered existence. *Freud Leaving Home* is a lively comedy, full of wisdom and sharp observation. "A stunning debut...strikingly original, both in its use of humor and in its new twists on the traditional Jewish family." —*Screen International*

December 4 • 9:00 PM
December 7 • 7:00 PM

ALL THAT REALLY MATTERS

DIRECTED BY ROBERT GLINSKI
POLAND 1992 100 MINS. POLISH
WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES

An amazing true story of the triumph of love over adversity, based on the lives of Jewish poet Aleksander Wat, his wife Ola and their son. Nominated for a 1993 Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film, *All That Really Matters* follows the separation and dreams of reunion of a family who is separated after fleeing Nazi occupied Warsaw to the presumed safety of the Communist East. Soon however they face Stalinist purges and exile to Kazakhstan and must rely on their enduring love to find each other again.



December 3 • 12:00 PM
December 6 • 9:20 PM

THE LAST MARRANOS

BASED ON THE IDEA
AND RESEARCH BY FREDERIC

BRENNER AND STAN NEUMANN
FRANCE 1990 65 MINS. PORTUGUESE
WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES

In 1497, five years after the expulsion of the Jews from Spain, Portuguese Jews were forced to accept conversion. Outwardly appearing as Catholics, many continued to practice Jewish rites in secret. These people are called "Marranos" (pigs) by their Christian neighbors. Centuries of secrecy and lack of formal religious guidance have resulted in a singular, often bizarre, tradition. After 500 years of hiding their identities, some 100 Marranos remain in the village Belmonte. A riveting and provocative documentary about a remarkable community of people.

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We are pleased to welcome you to the first Seattle Jewish Film Festival. Our aim is to strengthen the fabric of our community through film by promoting education and understanding of historical and contemporary Jewish issues. In addition, we are pleased to introduce talented Jewish filmmakers and films to the general public. Thank you for joining us in the making of a Seattle tradition.

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Saturday, December 2 through Thursday, December 7, 1995

Film Festival Screening Schedule*	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Under the Domim Tree	7:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.				
The Last Marranos		12:00 p.m.			9:20 p.m.	
Freud Leaving Home			7:00 p.m.	9:00 p.m.		
Black to the Promised Land		7:00 p.m.			6:45 p.m.	9:00 p.m.
All That Really Matters			9:00 p.m.			7:00 p.m.
Opening night dessert reception	9:30 p.m.					
Sunday Bagel Brunch		11:00 a.m.				

*Italicized screening times indicate discussion group will follow.

Ticket information

Opening night screening, discussion and dessert reception, \$12.00.
 Bagel brunch sponsored by Noah's Bagels, screening and discussion, \$9.50.
 Festival pass valid for 5 screenings, includes dessert reception, \$35.00.
 Individual screenings \$7.50.
 Student rate valid for Tuesday, 9:00 p.m. screening only, \$4.50.

Advance ticket purchase is strongly recommended as seating is limited.
 Call the American Jewish Committee at (206) 622-6315 for tickets. Day-of-screening purchase may be made at the Grand Illusion Cinema. Box office opens 45 minutes prior to screening.

Visit our Internet site at <http://jewishinseattle.org/marquee/festival.htm>

Film Festival Discussion and Special Events Schedule

Under the Domim Tree screening and speaker-led discussion, 7:00 p.m., Saturday, December 2, followed by dessert reception.

The Last Marranos screening and speaker-led discussion, 12:00 p.m., Sunday, December 3, preceded by Bagel Brunch at 11:00 a.m.

Freud Leaving Home screening 9:00 p.m., preceded by Hillel Grads-Plus event (age 21-32) at Hillel, 8:00 p.m. Screening open to general audience.

Black to the Promised Land screening and speaker-led discussion, 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, December 6.



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