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### **ADVENTURE OF AGENT EMES, THE**

**DVD956**

#### **Episode 1: The Fish Head**

*The Fish Head*, Agent Emes initial escapade, finds him trying to decode a mysterious message, delivered by an even more mysterious source: a talking fish head in the local kosher market. His search leads him and his rambunctious yeshiva classmates to a shofar-making factory. There they are introduced to some of the laws of the shofar, before Agent E cracks the case and nabs the bad guys.

30 min. Ages: All Ages

Leib Cohen and Reel Jewish Entertainment, Pittsburgh, PA 15217, 2003

### **ADVENTURE OF AGENT EMES, THE**

**DVD957**

#### **Episode 2: Rabbi-napped!**

Agent Emes is here again for another thrilling adventure.

When unexplained earthquakes threaten planet Earth, it is up to Agent E to find out why. But the only clue he has is that a group of rabbis have been kidnapped. It is the fiendish Dr Lo-Tov, of course, up to his old tricks, and only with the help of HaShem, and some inspired classmates, can Agent Emes stop him.

34 min. Ages: All Ages

Leib Cohen and Reel Jewish Entertainment, Pittsburgh, PA 15217, 2003

### **ADVENTURE OF AGENT EMES, THE**

**DVD958**

#### **Episode 3: The Case of the Missing Pushka**

Agent Emes faces his toughest case yet!

Someone has stolen the giant tzedaka box from the Shpittsburgh synagogue, and Agent E is called upon to crack the case. The prime suspect is none other than the diabolical Dr. Lo-Tov. But just as Agents Emes is about to bring him in, the police identify a different suspect, someone very close to Agent Emes.

With the case taking on a more personal turn, Agent Emes must race against the clock to uncover the truth behind the stolen pushka.

42 min. Ages: All Ages

Leib Cohen and Reel Jewish Entertainment, Pittsburgh, PA 15217, 2003

### **AGENT EMES AND THE GIANT EGO**

**DVD959**

#### **Episode 4: A Passover Adventure**

Something is wrong with Agent Emes, and it could not have come at a worse time. Dr. Lo-Tov is threatening to disrupt Passover, and Tov Me'od headquarters must enlist the services of the renowned rabbi and psychologist, Abraham J. Twerski to find out what is wrong with the 12 year-old agent. Dr Twerski's insights help uncover the source of our hero's malaise, but not before revealing a far greater threat to Shpittsburgh.

45 min. Ages: All Ages

Leib Cohen and Reel Jewish Entertainment, Pittsburgh, PA 15217, 2003

### **ADVENTURES OF AGENT EMES & THE HAPPY CHANUKAH**

**DVD985**

#### **Episode 5**

The Jews of Shpittsburgh are gearing up for another Chanukah holiday, but Dr. Lo-Tov has plans of his own to ruin it. When the evil leader of "Aveiros International" bathes the city in a mood-altering depression ray, sadness overtakes the city. But help arrives in the unlikely person of world-famous

singer Rocky Rabinowitz who plans a special concert to cheer up the city. Dr. Lo-Tov intervenes once more and kidnaps Rocky, threatening to silence the singer for good. That's when Agent Emes bursts onto the scene, forcing a dramatic showdown with Dr. Lo-Tov.

60 min. Ages: All

Leib Cohen and Reel Jewish Entertainment, Pittsburgh, PA, 2006.

### **ALICE IN WONDERLAND – ALICA**

**DVD929**

The classic fairytale, *Alice in Wonderland*, takes to the stage, featuring music and choreography in a production with lots of fun for children and grown-ups alike. Telling the story of a little girl that fell down a rabbit hole, this musical dance production takes the audience back to a world where the only sense of being was... to have fun.

In Hebrew (no English subtitles)

45 min. Ages: El, JH

Globus Group – United King Video

Israel, 1990

### **ALL MY LOVED ONES**

**DVD947**

The Silbersteins are a large and close-knit extended family living a good life in the Czechoslovakian countryside. Believing in the decency of mankind, they don't really pay heed to the Nazi threat. Little by little, as their daily life becomes more intolerable and their personal effects stripped away, they realize the true horror of what is coming, but it is too late. Knowing their inevitable fate, the Silbersteins have to make their toughest decision ever: do they turn their young son David over to Nicholas Winton, an English stockbroker who saved hundreds of Czech Jewish children from the Nazis, and risk never seeing him again?

In Czech with English subtitles.

91 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Film Praha Sting Titanic Ceska TV, 1999

Wellspring Media Inc, New York, NY, 2003

### **ALONG THE BEACH – LE'ORECH HAYAM**

**DVD991**

Beautiful Israeli love songs performed by popular artists like Ofrah Chazah, Ricki Gal, Idan Raychel and more!

#### The Songs:

Ahavah BeSof HaKayitz – Tzvikah Pick

Chalomot – Eyal Golan

Galshan – Danny Sanderson

Im Telech – Idan Raychel

LaGur Ito – Riki Gal

LeOrech HaYam – Ofrah Chazah

Mak'helah Alizah – Chavah Alberstin

Mashehu Katan VeTov – Mashinah

Mis'chak HaChayim – Riki Gal

Shir HaFrechah – Ofrah Chazah

Shir HaMakolet – Kaveret

Yom Shishi – Benzin

In Hebrew, without English subtitles.

Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Produced by: Sharim Karaoki, Israel, 2005.

Distributed by: JAI & WZO, New York, NY.

**ANI YERUSHALMI****DVD980**

Yehoram Gaon ,the performer, was born in Jerusalem, but most of it was off limits to him-and to all Jews. In 1967, with the reunification of the city, Gaon can now explore Jerusalem of his childhood.

The film is a musical record of Gaon's discovery of his own city.

Joyful upon his historic occasion, he sings 8 of his hit songs about the city.

Documentary/Musical

In English and Hebrew with English subtitles.

100 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Israel 1971, DVD 2007,

**ANTI-SEMITISM IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY****DVD977**

Many parts of the world are experiencing a massive resurgence of anti-Semitism.

Worldwide, since the year 2000, major violent acts against Jews and Jewish institutions have nearly doubled from 1990s levels. Hosted by Judy Woodruff, this program explores the roots of anti-Semitism and examines why it flourishes today. The documentary was written, produced and directed by Andrew Goldberg.

60 min. Age: HS, Adult

PBS, January 2007

**ARIEL SHARON – BIOGRAPHY****DVD962**

The life of Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon is profiled on this release. Sharon has enjoyed a notorious tenure at the top, overseeing some mighty military struggles and often butting heads with his fellow world leaders. The program is an insightful look at his political career.

Narrator: Chris Bury

50 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Produced by: ABC, Inc. and Arts & Entertainment Television Network, 2002

## B

### **BARBEQUE PEOPLE, THE – HAMANGALISTIM**

**DVD945**

A multigenerational, Iraqi Jewish family is celebrating Israel's 40th Independence Day around the picnic barbeque. Stories of the family members intersect in strange and provocative encounters that lead back to the Mediterranean port city of Ashdod, where the family is trying to come to terms with its past and find its way into the future.

Hebrew with English subtitles.

98 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Israel, 2003.

Distributed by: Sifrutake, New York, NY 20006

### **BEREL WEIN'S ISRAEL JOURNEY – JERUSALEM**

**DVD943**

This is the story of Jerusalem, its beauty, mystery, and spirituality. It is a city as modern as today, and as ancient as our faith. Whether you are in the boutiques on Ben Yehuda Street, or the covered walkways of the Old City, the spiritual pulse of King David's capital never leaves you.

Berel Wein's historical insights again blend the past the present, and give the streets the unique texture and meaning, which is the true Jerusalem experience.

90 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

A Destiny Foundation Production, 2003

### **BEYOND F.A.T.\* CITY: A LOOK BACK, A LOOK AHEAD**

**V10**

*Beyond F.A.T. City: A Look Back, A Look Ahead*, is filled with powerful and provocative stories about the history and philosophy of the F.A.T. City project, major trends and issues in the field of learning disabilities, and the challenges ahead for parents and education professional.

\*F.A.T. – Frustration, Anxiety and Tension

90 min. Age: Adult

Public Broadcasting System, 2005

### **BEYOND PIRELIA – ME'EVER LEPIRELIA**

**V986**

This video is about how an Israeli family and friends deal with the death of 20 year-old soldier Amir Kra, who was killed in Lebanon. Amir's mother is determined to reconstruct her son's life, to find out what she can from his friends in the army, to understand his life and satisfy her curiosity if he had experienced life fully. She contacts (and keeps in touch with) his friends that she did not know before, finds out what they knew about him and what they talked about.

Amir's story emerges as family and friends candidly answer Helen's questions and share their thoughts. The video is introduced and interspersed with an animated story of what nine year-old Amir's dream country would be.

In Hebrew with English subtitles.

45 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Written and Directed by: Helena Kra

Produced by: Sal Production, Israel 1998.

Distributed by: JA for Israel, The Department of JZE, New York, NY.

### **BIBLE FOR KIDS – HATANACH LYLADIM**

**DVD974**

This musical was written by a well known humorist and playwright Ephraim Sidon.

The main character is King Solomon and in between other bible stories are told in songs and dances.

Here is a list of the stories: Adam & Eve, The Tower of Babel, Noach Ark, The Four

Mothers, Jacob, Joseph, Moses and more.  
In Hebrew (no subtitles)  
40 min. Age: EI, JH  
Klasikaletet, Israel 2006

**BLINKER**

**DVD939**

See description: Films from the Ma'ale School.

**BONJOUR MONSIEUR SHLOMI – KOCHAVIM SHEL SHLOMI** **V902**

Shlomi takes care of everyone. He feeds his grandfather, bathes him and listens to his fictitious stories from World War II. He reminds his older brother to take his medication on time and intently listens to his pornographic thoughts. He calms his quick-tempered mother and mediates between her and his hypochondriac father who was thrown out of the house after cheating on her. He looks after his older sister's twins and makes sure she keeps going back to her husband who can't tell between the identical babies. And most of all, Shlomi makes sure to make everyone happy by cooking their favorite dishes. Shlomi knows – they'll eat and calm down. Because his home is a battlefield and Shlomi runs around between everyone, making peace, and no one in the family really sees Shlomi. Even Shlomi doesn't see Shlomi. Until one day a routine math test arouses the suspicions of Shlomi's math teacher and school principal. After meeting and talking with him, they realize that a very unique personality is hiding behind this neglected and dormant boy. With their help, and the help of Rona the gardener with whom he falls in love, Shlomi discovers himself.

In Hebrew with English subtitles.

94 min. Ages: HS, Adult

The Israeli Cable Companies and Cinema Project, Israel, 2004.

Strand Releasing Home Video, USA, 2004.

**BULLYING**

**V960**

The 11-minute video opens with a brief scene of children interacting with each other in the hallway of a school. This introduction sets the stage for four short scenarios, which depict middle school children engaged in typical bullying situations. Each scenario follows a victim through parts of his, or her, day at school and illustrates various forms of direct, and indirect, bullying among boys and girls.

Each scenario leaves the bullying incident unresolved – neither the victims nor other children or adults intervene to stop the bullying. This was done in order to encourage students to discuss appropriate means of resolving the bullying situations.

Includes a Teacher's Guide.

11 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

S.C. Educational Television, Columbia, SC, 29211, 1995

**BURNING EMBERS**

**V898, V899, V900, V901**

A documentary in eight chapters, *Burning Embers* was written, produced and directed by Chaim Yavin. A Journey to meet the Jews of the USSR, in the summer of 1990.

This journey through the former Soviet Union takes the viewer deep into 15 cities and towns where Jews are still living, and also visits historical sites.

In all the chapters anti-Semitism remains a serious problem in Russia, and elsewhere in the former Soviet Union, with most incidents carried out by Ultra-Nationalist and other far-right elements. The stereotype of Jews as manipulators of the global economy continues to provide fertile ground for anti-Semitic aggression.

Narrated by: Reuven Dovid Miller

Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Produced by: Israel Broadcasting Authority (IBA), Jerusalem, Israel, 1990, 1991.

**BURNING EMBERS**

**V898**

Two episodes on this volume.

**Episode I: Deep Anxiety**

A visit to the Ukraine reminds us the pogroms carried out by Chmelnitzki (his statue stand in Kiyev Square), the blood libel of Mendel Bailis in 1911, and Babi Yar. Nowadays there are also incidents of anti-Semitism in Saint Petersburg and Minsk.

55 min.

**Episode II: America Now**

There are two themes in this episode: a) The story of Chernovel residents and how the government handled the incident; b) The economy did not change much since the collapse of Communism. The transition to market economy needs motivation and work ethics, but the old guards want to keep the old system. They are against new ideas and new technology. Because of the economic insecurity, the Jews want to immigrate to Israel.

55 min.

**BURNING EMBERS**

**V899**

Two episodes on this volume.

**Episode III: Forgotten Towns**

The IBA Team visited many big, and small, towns looking for, and finding, the houses of great Jewish achievers like: Simon Dubnow, the historian; Marc Chagall, the artist from Vitebsk; and active Zionists, Berl Katznelson, Abba Achime'ir, Kadesh Luz, and David Shimoni.

50 min.

**Episode IV: Five Fresh Stories**

Chaim Yavin interviews a few people who wanted to immigrate to Israel and – after facing so many problems and obstacles – finally did. We listen to the stories of a photographer; a conservative rabbi, Leonid Feldman (now lives in Florida); pop-star Maxim Lionida; and Marsha, the teacher.

50 min.

**BURNING EMBERS**

**V900**

Two episodes on this volume.

**Episode V: Fierce Eastern Wind**

Anti-Semitism, by the church, is under the surface in Georgia, and in the open in Bukhara, by the Mosque. There are also strong anti-Western sentiments and that caused the Jews to feel unsafe and to want to immigrate to Israel.

52 min.

**Episode VI: Odessa, A Different Matter**

In the 19th Century, Odessa was one of the great centers of Jewish Culture. Chaim Nachman Bialik, Ahad Ha'am, Saul Tschernichovsky, the Bilu Society, Yisreal Belkind, and more, lived and worked here. Besides the rich Jewish life, there was also the dark-side – anti-Semitism that erupted in 1903, known as The Kishinov Pogroms.

50 min.

**BURNING EMBERS**

**V901**

Two episodes on this volume.

**Episode VII: From Spark to Conflagration**

The IBA team visits Bukharah, where 45,000 Jews lived in the early 1970s. More than 10,000 of them came at that time to Israel. A number of Bukharan Jews had also settled in Israel – nearly a hundred years before. Nowadays, those who stayed behind live in fear because of the tension between the Uzbeks and the Tojiks. The IBA team also payed a visit to the Armenian Jews.

50 min.

**Episode VIII: Bittersweet Farewell**

Jews from the former Soviet Union try to immigrate to Israel. They have ambiguous feelings. On one hand, they want to leave Russia – out of fear for the future of their children – on the other hand, they feel a strong connection to their homeland and cultural heritage. It's also hard because they leave some family behind.

50 min.

**BY THE WAY OF THE WADI: A DOCUMENTARY**

**DVD939**

See description: Films from the Ma'ale School.

## C

### **CALLING ALL JEWS: SETTING THE WORLD SHOFAR RECORD    DVD921**

*Calling All Jews* tracks *the Great Shofar Blowout*, from the early planning stages to the culmination of the Blowout in real time. Told through the eyes of several local families and individuals including the Yorks, Davidyans, Weinbergs, Levines, Ira Lerman, Mitchell Williams and Jake Goldstein, the movie looks at tradition, reawakening and being Jewish in America. Approximately 1,000 people attended *the Great Shofar Blowout* at Kings Beach, in Swampscott, Massachusetts, on August 17, 2004.

60 min.    Age: All

Counterpoint Productions, 2005

978-921-7177

### **CAMPFIRE – MEDURAT HASHEVET    DVD979**

*Campfire* is a finely crafted story set against the backdrop of the religious Zionist settler movement in the 1980s. Rachel, a 42-year-old widow and a mother of two rebellious teenage girls, is having trouble finding her place as an unmarried woman in Israeli society. She believes her best bet is to start life anew in one of the settlements planned for the Samaria region. Social acceptance into the settlement is soon overshadowed by a new romance and a family trauma that will test Rachel's priorities as mother, settler and believer.

In Hebrew with English subtitles

96 min.    Age: JH, HS, Adult

Israel, 2004

### **CHANUKAH ON PLANET MATZAH BALL    DVD965**

Music, animation, and live puppets tell the tale of a family of furry, Jewish aliens living on a giant matzah ball, in outer space. The family becomes eager to solve the mystery of a menorah that recently crash-landed on the matzah ball. Nine-year-old Oogy peeks through his high-powered telescope and discovers a group of kids in Cleveland, Ohio, having lots of fun at a Chanukah party. Soon they all begin to learn, through music and song, the true meaning of Chanukah.

36 min.    Ages: K-3

Jewish Heritage Series, Inc., 2003

Distributed by: Sisu Home Entertainment, Inc., New York, NY

### **CLOSE TO HOME – KAROV LABAYIT    DVD995**

Life as a teenage girl in Israel isn't easy. Just ask Smadar (Smadar Sayar) and Mirit (Naama Schendar), two 18 year-olds who spend their workdays wearing fatigues as officers in the Israeli Army. Close to Home addresses the challenging concept of a country in which young women are forced to perform military service amidst the trials and tribulations of teenage confusion.

Smadar is a rebellious type who clearly has issues letting people get close to her. Meanwhile, Mirit is as by-the-book as they come. When they're paired together to patrol the streets of Jerusalem and perform random I.D. searches on those who look suspicious, it looks like they're never going to get along.

Gradually, they begin to warm-up to each other, and a sisterly bond develops. But, ultimately, the strain of trying to balance personal issues with the stress of being soldiers causes them to rethink their friendship forever.

The story is – at its core – a universal story about budding womanhood. But placed in a military context, the stakes are even higher, and the levels run even deeper.

In Hebrew, with English subtitles.

95 min.    Ages: HS, Adult

Israel, 2005.

Distributed by: Amazon.com 2007.

**CREATION, THE**

**DVD937**

Retells the wondrous story of how G-d created the universe in seven days and gave life to Adam and Eve.

22 min. Ages: K-3

Rabbit Ears Entertainment, LLC, 2005

Distributed by: Clearvue & Sue, Chicago, IL (800-253-2788)

## D

### **DANNY SIEGEL'S MITZVAH HEROS IN ISRAEL, WHERE HEAVEN AND EARTH TOUCH**

**DVD961**

Danny Siegel's journey to Israel introduces you to eight remarkable Mitzvah heroes, dedicated and selfless individuals who serve as inspiration to us all, and our best teachers of Tikkun Olam.

#### The Heroes:

Disc I: Anita Shkedi – The Mighty Mitzvah Horses

Clara Hammer – The Chicken Lady of Jerusalem

Barbara Bloom Silverman – A Package from Home

53 min.

Disc II: Phyllis Heimowitz & Tamar Heimowitz Richter – Girlfriends in Distress

The Rabbanit Kapch – Angel in Jerusalem

Avshalom Beni – Animals as Healers

Shmuel Munk & Yoram Mordechai – Healing the Broken Spirit

Alice Jonah – Hotel Becomes Home

77 min.

130 min. Ages: 9-Adult

Produced by: Ziv Tzedakah Fund, Inc., Milburn, NJ, 2004

### **DEADLY DECEPTION, A**

**DVD915**

*A Deadly Deception* traces the Protocol's history and influence, from its inception to its manipulation by figures as diverse as Hitler and Henry Ford. Explore the struggles of brave individuals like the German scholar and journalist Benjamin Siegel, who endeavored to expose the works, lies and distortions. And see why – even today – people are seduced by this dangerous work.

This is a chilling, tragic tale of a hoax that spun out of control, a powerful look at the power of words to change lives and history, and a sad indictment of the willingness of people to embrace hate.

50 min. Ages: HS, Adult

The History Channel, A&E Television Network, 1998.

### **DESPERADO SQUARE\* – KIKAR HACHALOMOT**

**DVD964**

The Israeli version of *Cinema Paradiso*. Rather than a story about Tel Aviv's HaTikva Quarter's crime rate, it is a story about love and nostalgia. Set and shot in Tel Aviv's HaTikva Quarter, it is a sentimental film about a movie theater in Tel Aviv that has been closed for many years. When the theater owner passes away, his sons decide to reopen the theater for one big gala. They select the theater's most popular film, an Indian film about a love triangle, *Sangam*.

In Hebrew with English subtitles.

93 min. Ages: HS, Adult (\*the program contains some violence, some sexual situations and coarse language.)

Israel, 2000

### **DIASPORA**

**DVD938**

There are four programs in this set of DVDs, and also a CD ROM.

#### Disc I: **The Las Marranos**

A film about the very secret life of the Marranos of Belmonte, and how they escaped the Portuguese Inquisition, which had ordered them to choose between Catholicism and exile.

65 min.

**Disc II: Madres de Desaparecidos**

Testimonies from the mothers of the missing in Argentina, speaking of their loss and grief, bring two stories into relief: that of a country living under dictatorship and that of a people marked by exile and separation.

26 min.

**Disc III: Tykocin**

Tykocin, northern Poland, 25 August 1941: Early in the morning, all the Jews left the town in a procession, forced by their neighbors to sing a song of hope to the accompaniment of violins and trumpets. 2,100 Jews were massacred. A few years ago, a group of Polish Catholics started dressing up as Jews to reenact the holiday of Purim, in memory of the Jewish community of Tykocin.

19 min.

**Disc IV: DVD Extra Features**

Slideshow: With, or without, commentary by Frédéric Brenner.

26 min.

With English Subtitles

136 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Films by: Jerome de Misslitz and Frederic Brenner

ZKO, Europe Images International, France, 2003

Distributor: Kino Video, New York, NY, 2003

## E

### **ELUSIVE PEACE: ISRAEL AND THE PALESTINIANS**

**DVD930**

Join us for this look at the fraught history of the Arab-Israeli peace process from 1999-2005. The film includes interviews with insiders from Ariel Sharon and Yasser Arafat to Bill Clinton and Colin Powell; behind-the-scenes footage of tense peace negotiations; and snapshots of the violence that has enveloped the region in recent years.

There are three parts in this film:

1. Clinton, 1999-2000
2. Arafat, 2001-2002
3. Sharon, 2003-2005

In Color and Black & White

150 min. Ages: HS, Adult

PBS (Public Broadcasting Service), 2005

### **ENCOUNTER POINT**

**DVD1004**

A former Israeli settler, a Palestinian ex-prisoner, a bereaved Israeli mother, and a wounded Palestinian bereaved brother risk their lives and public standing to promote a nonviolent end to the conflict. What drives them and thousands of other like minded civilians to overcome anger and grief to work for grassroots solutions? And why, with the world's cameras focused on this conflict, have we never heard about them?

Shot in Israel/Palestine Territory by a Palestinian, Israeli, North American and South American team, Encounter Point offers hope for a peaceful resolution.

In Hebrew, Arabic and English, with English subtitles.

85 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Israel, 2006.

### **ERVINKA**

**DVD953**

Kishon once again combined his witty brand of social satire with the talents of Chaim Topol to create a memorably comic Israeli anti-hero. As the title character, a good-natured but incorrigible lay-about, Topol becomes embroiled in a plot to rob the Israeli lottery, all the while indulging his boundless zeal for mischief and romance.

Hebrew with English subtitles.

In Black & White

95 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Ephraim Kishon, Israel, 1967

### **EUCALYPTUS GROVE, THE – CHORSHAT HA'EKALIPTUS**

**DVD990**

Thirteen great Naomi Shemer songs.

The Songs:

Ahavat Poaley Binyan

Al Kol Eleh

Ayelet Ahavim

Chorshat HaEkaliptus

HaChagigah Nigmeret

Ilu Tziporim

Laylah BeChof Achziv

Lu Yehi

Machar

Omrin Yeshnah Eretz

Sham Harey Golan

Vals LaHaganat HaTzome'ach

Yerushalayim Shel Zahav

In Hebrew, with English subtitles.  
Ages: JH, HS, Adult  
Produced by: Sharim Karaoki, Israel, 2005.  
Distributed by: JAI & WZO, New York, NY.

## F

### **FAITH & FATE, Episode 1**

**DVD987**

Rabbi Berel Wein will take you on a remarkable journey into Jewish history. Faith and Fate powerfully and emotionally tells the story of how the events of the century impacted on the Jews – and the impact that the Jews had on the century. As Rabbi Wein puts it, “What makes this series so unique is that it puts the Jewish history of the 20th century into perspective. We can see ourselves in the ‘big picture’ – how we fit into nearly 4,100 years of Jewish survival: Who we are, as Jews? How, and why, we have survived so long? What is our purpose? And what is Jewish Destiny? It tells our children, and our grandchildren, that despite the tragedies, there are triumphs and that knowing where we come from will help us understand where we are going.”

66 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Berel Wein Destiny Series, Destiny Films, Israel & United States 2006.

### **FATELESS**

**DVD997**

Adapted from Hungarian Nobel Prize winner Imre Kertesz’s novel of the same name – and based on his experiences as a teenage survivor of Auschwitz, Beirkenau and Buchenwald – Fateless is a cinematic masterpiece and testament to the resilience of the human spirit.

140 min. Ages: HS, Adult

In Hungarian, with English subtitles.

Produced in Hungary, 2005.

Distributed by: Amazon.com 2007.

### **FILMS FROM THE MA’ALE SCHOOL COMPILATION II: BEST FICTION FILMS**

**V908**

There are four films on this video:

#### **Eicha**

Eicha is a young religious girl, whose name is Hebrew for “Lamentations”. Upon reaching eighteen, she decides to change her name, establishing her own identity. Will she succeed?

21 min.

#### **Evacuation Order**

Chevrona lives all by herself in the West Bank. A couple of soldiers are sent to remove her from her home, but one of them, unexpectedly, falls in love with her.

16 min.

#### **Hallel**

Yael Klein, a religious married woman, meets a secular bookshop owner when she accidentally hits his car. Yael is attracted to his world.

22 min.

#### **Newspapers & Flowers**

Carmel is searching for love, but as a religious young woman, it is not all that easy. She tries a totally different approach. Will she compromise her religious principles to win “a little love”?

26 min.

In Hebrew with English subtitles.

85 min. in all, Ages: HS, Adult

Ma’ale Film School, Israel, 2001.

Distributed by: Ergo Media, Inc., Teaneck, New Jersey, 2002.

**FILMS FROM THE MA'ALE SCHOOL,  
COMPILATION III: GRADUATE FILMS**

**DVD939**

There are five films on this DVD:

**Pure Prayer**

As Yom Kippur approaches, Shwartzman realizes that the synagogue will be short the required tenth man for the communal prayers. Can his 30 year-old developmentally delayed child fill in?

26 min.

**Related**

Neta, returning from a trip overseas, finds that her grandmother is afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease. While trying to cope herself, she also has to deal with her mother.

18 min.

**By Way of the Wadi: A Documentary**

Ohad Bachrach was murdered in Wadi Kelt by Arab terrorists. Five years later, his mother journeys through the Wadi and explores a mysterious world of images and emotions.

26 min.

**Yom**

One ordinary winter day in Jerusalem, the paths of three women cross. Haya is a teacher; Ella, a musician; Maha is running away from her boyfriend. They all board the same bus.

15 min.

**Blinker**

A slapstick comedy about a man whose career aspirations get in the way of his "doing the right thing". After accidentally smashing another car's blinker light, this attorney failed to leave a note.

8 min.

In Hebrew with English Subtitles.

93 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Ma'ale Film School, Israel, 2002

Distributed by: Ergo Media, Inc., Teaneck, NJ, 2002

**FORGOTTEN REFUGEES, THE**

**DVD988**

In 1945, up to one million Jews lived in the Middle East outside of the Palestine Mandate. Within a few years, only a few thousand remained. The Forgotten Refugees explores the history and destruction of the Middle Eastern Jewish communities, some of which had existed for over 2,500 years. It chronicles the impact of the Arab Muslim conquest, the development of Judeo-Arab culture, and the modern rise of Arab nationalism that drove out hundreds of thousands of Jews from their homes and communities. This destruction is a significant loss for the Jewish people and for the Middle East.

Featuring testimony from Jews who fled Egypt, Libya, Iraq, Yemen, Morocco and Iran, the film explores the rich heritage and destruction of the Middle East's age-old Jewish communities. Personal stories of refugees are interspersed with dramatic archival footage, including the mission to rescue Yemenite Jews.

49 min. Ages: HS, Adult

The David Project, Boston, MA 2005.

**FREE ZONE**

**DVD998**

A Jewish-American woman still reeling from her breakup with her Spanish-Israeli fiancé hits the road with a middle-aged Israeli woman, who is looking to collect the \$30,000 debt owed to her by her husband's former business partner, and a Palestinian woman, who claims to know the elusive moneyman's whereabouts, in this road-trip drama from the director Amos Gitai.

When Hannah and Rebecca finally arrive in the Free Zone only to discover that Hannah's contact and money have mysteriously gone missing, a Palestinian woman named Leilah (Hiam Abbass) agrees to lead the skeptical Hannah to both "The American" and Hannah's rightly due cash.

In English, Hebrew and Arabic with optional English subtitles.

90 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Agav Films, Israel & Finance, 2005.

New York Films, 2007

**FROM PITTSBURGH TO POLAND: LESSONS OF THE HOLOCAUST DVD954**

This one-hour documentary, produced by WQED-TV's OnQ Staff, chronicles a journey by Holocaust survivors and educators from Pittsburgh to Poland where they took part in the annual *March of the Living*. The documentary focuses on the personal stories of three Pittsburgh Holocaust survivors – and shows how Pittsburgh teachers will use the experience in their curriculums for years to come.

Includes Lesson Plan.

60 min. Ages: HS, Adult

WQED, Pittsburgh, PA 15213, 2005

United Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh, 2006

## G

### **GATE IS OPEN... THE YOU CAN GO! SURVIVORS SPEAK**

**DVD931**

Mauthausen Concentration Camp and its satellite camps were liberated by U.S. troops in 1945.

Three participants recall the joys and trials of that event:

- A Jewish prisoner
- A Christian U.S. Army nurse
- A U.S. Army investigator

Their informal comments were recorded during a presentation based on the book, Flares of Memory.

30 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Holocaust Center of the UJF of Pittsburgh, PA, 2005

### **GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE**

**V917**

Among countless, great, Jewish achievers are countless, great, Jewish achievements. Our people have contributed to every field of human endeavor with ingenuity, creativity, vision, passion and hard work. Whether gifted with the genius to explore the mysteries of the universe, or gifted with the creativity to create musical masterpieces and works of art, achievements by Jews have made enormous contributions to the quality of life for all people, regardless of who they are.

There are six segments:

|                       |                                  |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Introduction          | Art and Entertainment            |
| Law and Human Rights  | Science, Medicine and Technology |
| Sports and Literature | Torah, Family and Israel         |

40 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Robert I. Lappin, Charitable Foundation, Salem, Massachusetts, 2005.

## H

### **HIDING AND SEEKING**

**DVD903**

Members of a family try to bridge their differences as they address different interpretations of Judaism in this emotionally powerful documentary. Menachem Daum is a devout Jew, as is his wife, Rivka Daum. During World War II, Rivka's father survived the Holocaust thanks to a Polish family who hid him from Nazi troops in their home, and Rivka and Menachem have planned a trip to Eastern Europe in order to find and meet the Poles who saved her father's life. The couple have two grown sons, whom they wish would join them for the trip; both are Orthodox Jews living in Jerusalem and studying in yeshiva. While Menachem is proud of his son's faith, he also believes they have set themselves apart from the real world, and fears they've used their devotion as a wall rather than a bridge. Eventually, the two sons join their parents on their journey, and both the parents and the children gain valuable perspectives on one another's points-of-view, especially after meeting the family of heroic Poles.

85 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Produced by Menachem Daum and Oren Rudavsky, 2004.

[www.firstrunfeatures.com](http://www.firstrunfeatures.com)

### **HOLIDAYS' SONG**

**DVD972**

A musical celebration of the Jewish Holidays everyone can participate in!

All the great tunes of 12 holidays on one great DVD featuring the memorable music of Rosh HaShanah, Sukkot, Chanukah, Purim, Passover, Shabbat and more.

The video clips that accompany the songs offer insights into holidays' traditions and provide endless hours of enjoyment for the entire family.

With menus in English or Hebrew, option of:

Sing-Along Karaoke or Music Video, and subtitle control – Phonetic English or Hebrew.

#### The Songs:

- |                            |                             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. BeRosh HaShanah         | 15. Ani Purim               |
| 2. Shanah Tovah            | 16. Simchah Rabbah          |
| 3. Patish Masmer           | 17. Mah Nish'tanah          |
| 4. Shlomit Bonah Sukkah    | 18. Avadim Hayinu           |
| 5. Sisu VeSimchu           | 19. Kol HaAretz Degalim     |
| 6. Ein Adir                | 20. Bar Kochva              |
| 7. Yemay HaChanukkah       | 21. Yerushalayim Shel Zahav |
| 8. HaNerot Hallalu         | 22. Lach Yerushalayim       |
| 9. Sevivon                 | 23. Salenu                  |
| 10. Ma'oz Tzur             | 24. Eretz Zavot Chalav      |
| 11. Kach Halchim HaShotlim | 25. HaYom Yom Shishi        |
| 12. HaSh'kediyah Porachat  | 26. Shalom Aleichem         |
| 13. Chag Purim             | 27. HaTikvah                |
| 14. Leitzan Katan          |                             |

Ages: All

Nonstop Productions, Israel

Distributed by Sisu Home Entertainment Inc., New York, NY, 2006

### **HOMAGE TO CHAGALL**

**DVD916**

Throughout his life, painter Marc Chagall drew upon his Jewish roots for inspiration. Born in tsarist Russia in 1887, Chagall derived much of his artistic sensibility from his shtetl childhood. In his 98 years,

he painted hundreds of scenes from the Bible in a distinctive fairytale style – dreamy and unpretentious, with sublime color.

Narrated by James Mason, *Homage to Chagall* celebrates the artist's life and work. An extensive interview with the artist and his wife, at their home in Southern France, reveals his deep affection for the poetry of the Bible, and his faith in the Jewish people. Throughout the film, we see hundreds of examples of Chagall's work, from paintings to stained glass windows.

90 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Canadian Broadcasting System, 1977.

Distributed by: Kino Video, New York, New York, 2002.

# I

## IN DUDU'S KINDERGARTEN

V967

### Volume 7: Shabbat Shalom

This DVD features Mr. Fisher, the teacher, singing songs and telling stories that help educate youngsters about Shabbat.

The Stories:

1. *The Chassid Father Tachana*
2. *Yoseph, Who Loves Shabbat*
3. *The Special Spice of Shabbat*

In Hebrew.

40 min. Ages: K3

Israel, 2006

## IN DUDU'S KINDERGARTEN

V968

### Volume 8: Shana Tova (Rosh HaShanah)

Renowned stage actor, Dudu Fisher hosts this delightful and educational Hebrew series for children. In Shana Tova, Fisher teaches kids how to blow the shofar (ram's horn), dip apples in honey, and practice forgiveness.

The Stories:

1. *Dudu Fisher (the child) Asks for Forgiveness*
2. *The Little Shepherd*

In Hebrew.

30 min. Ages: K3

Israel, 2006

## IN DUDU'S KINDERGARTEN

V969

### Volume 9: VeSamach'ta BeChagecha (Sukkot)

Singing kindergarten teacher, Dudu Fisher invites young viewers to join him for a Sukkot celebration. The talented musician plays the role of teacher, sharing lessons in Jewish history and holiday customs.

The Stories:

1. *The Visit of Aaron the Priest*
2. *Young Dudu and the Etrog*
3. *Choni's Prayer for Rain*

In Hebrew.

35 min. Ages: K3

Israel, 2006

## IN DUDU'S KINDERGARTEN

V970

### Volume 10: From Slavery to Freedom (Passover)

The spirit, history and songs of Passover explored with the host, Dudu Fisher, and the Kindergarten children.

The Story:

1. *Dayenu and the Stolen Goblet*

In Hebrew.  
36 min. Ages: K3  
Israel, 2006

### **ISRAEL THE BEAUTIFUL**

**V942**

This one-hour video, shot on location in Israel, depicts the stories of ordinary men and women who do extraordinary deeds to help their fellow Jews – and non-Jews alike. This film captures the essence of the mitzvah of chesed. Filmed with warmth and emotion.

Here is a list of these extraordinary people:

1. Rabbanit Bracha Kapach
2. Moshe Pardo – school for Sephardic girls in B'nai Brak
3. Rabbi Grossman – Migdal Or, educational facilities in Migdal HaEmek
4. Uri Lupoliansky – Yad Sara
5. Daniel Weizman – Merkaz Chinuchi Beth Ya'akov (High School for poor Sephardic girls)
6. Nachum Cohen – gives money to the poor
7. Shamir Association – helps Russian immigrants
8. Chasday Naomi – Food Bank, established by Yoseph Cohen and Sara Bachar

60 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult  
The Destiny Foundation, Monsey, NY 10952, 2000

## J

### **JAMES JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM**

**V892**

Excellent movie about dreams and the realities of modern day Israel. A Zulu man from South Africa makes a pilgrimage to Jerusalem but in the process gets involved in the greed and corruption of the capitalist world.

In English, Hebrew and Zulu with English subtitles.

87 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Israel, 2002

Distributed by: Zeitgeistvideo.com 2004 (amazon.com). Zeitgeist Films, New York, New York 2004

### **JUNGLE BOOK, THE – SEFER HAJUNGLE**

**DVD1002**

This Israeli children's show features an adorable bear who helps kids explore the jungle.

A new film version of: Rudyard Kipling's Mowgli Stories. Some of the songs are originally Israeli.

In Hebrew.

50 min. Ages: EL

Israel, 1996.

## K

### **KASPIYON**

**DVD896**

Four short stories about a little fish named Kaspiyon. Each story is accompanied by original songs and colorful animation. At the end of the program children interview the author of the book and the animator.

The Stories: 1) *The Little Fish Kaspiyon*, 6 min.  
2) *Kaspiyon in Danger*, 5 min.  
3) *The Long Journey of Kaspiyon: Part I*, 8 min.  
4) *The Long Journey of Kaspiyon: Part II*, 6 min.

Ages: K-3, EL  
Klasikaletet, Israel

### **KEEPING UP WITH THE STEINS**

**DVD975**

*Keeping Up with the Steins* is the kind of good-natured, comedy about Adam Fiedler, a Hollywood agent who wants nothing more than to give his son Ben, the lavish bar mitzvah he rightly deserves. Trouble is, Adam's archival and former business partner Arnie Stein has already thrown a spectacular bar mitzvah for his own son, and Adam's now feeling intense pressure (from only himself), to keep up with the Steins.

As Adam plans an epic scale bar mitzvah to end all bar mitzvah, his estranged father and his son have a different plan.

100 min. Age: JH, HS, Adult  
Buena Vista Home Entertainment, Inc 2006

### **KOMEDIANT, THE**

**DVD976**

The glory days of the Yiddish stage are brought to life in this funny saga of legendary theatrical family, the Bursteins.

Arriving in New York in 1924, Pesach'ke Burstein, the dancing-singing comedian, quickly became a leading figure in the Golden Era of Yiddish theater. On stage, he met and fell in love with rising star Lillian Lux who would become his wife. Embarking together on triumphant overseas tours as a couple, soon the Bursteins became the parents

of twins, Mike and Susan, who before long were given stage names and accompanied their parents regularly on stage as the family performed around the globe.

In time, however, the pressures of theatrical life would take its toll on the family.

Smoothly incorporating rare archival footage and interviews with Yiddish stage veterans (including Fyvush Finkel).

In English & Hebrew with English subtitles.

85 min. HS, Adult  
Zebra Production, Israel 1999  
New Yorker Films, USA 2004

## L

### **LAS MARRANOS, THE**

See description: *Diaspora*.

**DVD938**

### **L'CHAYIM COMRADE STALIN**

**DVD905**

This video traces the history of Birobidzhan, the capital of the Soviet Union's Jewish Autonomous Region, from 1928 to the present. Joseph Stalin encouraged Jewish settlement in this vast wilderness of eastern Siberia where young idealists built a homeland rich in Jewish culture. Heeding the slogan "To a Jewish Land," Jews from the U.S.S.R. as well as Canada, the U.S., Poland, France and Argentina, among other countries, made the arduous trek, by boat and train, to Siberia. The region, rife with disease and deprivation, was a crushing disappointment to these first pioneers. In subsequent years, despite encouragement from organizations such as AMBIJAN and IKOR, Jewish immigration steadily declined. In March 2000, American filmmaker Yale Strom flew to Moscow to begin a seven-day trip, via the Trans-Siberian Railroad, to Birobidzhan.

Fascinating footage from Russian archives and scenes from the Soviet propaganda film, *Seekers of Happiness*, are woven into the journey. In Birobidzhan, his interviews with early Jewish pioneers of the J.A.R. and young proponents of the revival of Yiddish culture, paint a vivid portrait of contemporary Jewish life in Russia – a compelling tale of the perseverance of Jews and their anti-Semitism, and great privations – as well as the circumstances surrounding this unique chapter in Soviet, and world, history.

Directed by: Yale Strom

Narrated by: Ron Perlman

90 min. Ages: HS, Adult color / black & white

Distributed by: The Cinema Guild, Inc., New York, New York, 2002

### **LEGACY OF OUR ANCESTORS**

**DVD955**

This documentary explores the foundations of Jewish America and brings to light the story of the first wave of Jewish immigration that occurred more than 200 years before Ellis Island opened its doors to the world. The period between 1654 and 1820 was a fertile time in Jewish history. Freedom of religious expression was allowed to take root in a land of budding economic opportunity, allowing a relatively small number of Jews to establish a remarkable presence along the Eastern Coast. From Savannah to Newport, these tiny Jewish communities flourished in a new world while holding true to their religious beliefs and practices.

60 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, NY, 2004

### **LIKE A BRIDE**

**DVD927**

*Like a Bride* follows two young women coming of age in Mexico in the 1960's, their lives shaped by family and society pressures. One, Oshinica Mataraso, is the daughter of Turkish Jewish immigrants, bound by tradition. The other, Rifke Groman, is the daughter of intellectual European Holocaust refugees. Rifke introduces Oshinica to freedom – but at what cost?

Spanish and Yiddish, with English subtitles.

115 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Mexico, 1993

Distributed by: Kol Ami, Inc., New York, NY, 2005

### **LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL**

**V978**

Nearly 3,000 years ago, ten of Israel's founding tribes were defeated by the Assyrians and banished from ancient Judea. Today, people from as far as Japan, India and Ethiopia claim to be the descendants

of Israel's Lost Tribes. For instance, members of the Lemba tribe have names like Solomon and David. They practice a secret language and follow strict dietary rules. But are their beliefs based on myth or reality?

Join anthropologist Tudor Parfitt and take a scientific and genealogical adventure that leads from the Holy Land through Zimbabwe, to Southern Yemen and a modern-day London gene lab. See how today's technology can solve an ancient biblical riddle and explore the modern genetic techniques that reveal connections between people, giving the past unprecedented new clarity.

60 min. Age: HS, Adult

Nova, PBS 2000

## M

### **MASRES de DESAPARECIDOS**

**DVD938**

See description: Diaspora.

### **MERI LU**

**DVD989**

Karaoki and sing-along Israeli songs composed by Tzvikah Pick: In the background there are original video clips of beautiful scenery in Israel.

#### The Songs:

Ani Lo Yecholah Biladecha

HaRakdan HaOtomati

Ani Ohev Otach Leahh

Lagur Ito

Ahavah BeSof HaKayitz

Lo Ani Hu Halsh

Bein HaEtzba'ot

Meri Lu

Divah

Met Av Umet Elul

Dum Chum

Musicah

Ein Medinah LaAhavah

Shir HaFrechah

Elef Neshikot

Shoshanat Pla'im

Gavriel

Yad B'Yad

In Hebrew, without English subtitles.

Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Produced by: Sharim Karaoki, Israel, 2006.

Distributed by: JAI & WZO, New York, NY.

### **METALIC BLUES**

**DVD983**

The film is a touching and amazing tragicomic road-movie, about two Israelis car dealers who risk it all in search of a better life, only to find out the most unexpected personal and historical truths. The opportunity of a lifetime has crossed paths with Shmuel and Siso; or so they think. They invest \$5,000 in a vintage 1985 Lincoln Continental Limousine and plan to sell it in Germany for E50,000, and bring themselves and their dreams to Hamburg where their nightmare begins.

90 min. HS, Adult

In Hebrew with English subtitles.

Israel, 2004

Distributed by: Sisu Home Entertainment Inc, New York, NY, 2007

### **MIRACLE LIGHTS**

**V906**

Join little Aaron as he relives the true-to-life miracle story of how the Maccabees bravely battled against the Greek empire to reclaim their Jewish heritage. How Judah Maccabee led an army, small in number but strong in faith, to victory – and to a rekindling of lights in the holy Temple.

This video is made of Still Animations.

50 min. all ages

Shazak Productions, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, 2004.

### **MONSIEUR BATIGNOLE**

**DVD981**

Like many Frenchman in German-occupied Paris, butcher Edmond Batignole is struggling to make a living. He makes a little profit off the black market, deals reluctantly with the Germans and turns a blind eye to what's happening to his Jewish neighbors. When a young Jewish boy, whose family lived upstairs, arrives at his doorstep having escaped deportation, Batignole's conscience is put to the test.

100 min. Ages: HS, Adult.

French with English subtitles.

France, 2002  
Distributed by: Amazon.com

**MOSES THE LAWGIVER**

**DVD936**

Features the story of how Moses received the Ten Commandments and led the Israelites to the Promised Land.

25 min. Ages: K-3

Rabbit Ears Entertainment, LLC, 2005

Distributed by: Clearvue & Sue, Chicago, IL (800-253-2788)

**MY FAMILY FROM ISRAEL**

**DVD935**

Meet Yesha'ayahou, a ten-year-old boy living in Israel with his parents and five siblings. Yesha'ayahou and his family are Orthodox Jews, so learning and studying their religion is a very important part of their lives. Yesha'ayahou attends school for 11 hours every day, and on his days off he often studies the Bible or observes his father, a mohel, perform a bris. Every weekend, the family shares in a traditional kosher meal to celebrate the Sabbath. Join Yesha'ayahou as his family prepares traditional farewell festivities for his oldest brother, who is leaving home to study at a yeshiva.

15 min. Ages: K-4

Schlessinger Media, 2003

Distributed by: Clearvue & Sue, Chicago, IL (800-253-2788)

**MY 100 SONGS – ME'AH SHIRIM RISHONIM, VOL. B**

**V897**

35 Israeli nursery rhymes and songs in animation and games. For English speakers the Hebrew lyrics are presented as phonetic subtitles in English.

The Songs:

|                   |                      |                  |                   |
|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Achbar Achbar     | Agalah Im Susah      | Al Sfat HaNachal | El HaYa'ar        |
| Etze Li           | Gan Shelanu          | Ginnah Li        | HaDo'ar Ba HaYom  |
| HaDov HaTzahov    | HaSav'yon            | Hineh Mah Tov    | Imma Avaza        |
| Ken LaTzippor     | Kooshi Kelev Kat     | LaAviron         | LaKova Sheli      |
| Lamah             | Mah Kara LaChatal'tu | Mak'helat Nognim | Me'achoray HaHar  |
| Nachni'eli Katan  | Nesader Ma'agal      | Numi Numi        | Oni'yah           |
| Pizmon LaYakinton | Rakevet Aruka        | Rogez            | Seh U'Gdi         |
| Shir HaNikayon    | Simi Yadech          | Tarnegol Ani     | Yadayim LeMa'alah |
| Yesh Lanu Tayish  | Yesh Li Kubiyot      | Yom Huledet      | Zemer Lach        |

45 min. Ages: K-3

Klasikaletet, Israel

## N

### **NADIA**

**DVD982**

The story of a sixteen year old Arab girl from an Arab village within Israel. Her family is involved in village life; her father is a farmer with progressive ideas. In order to have a better chance of being accepted to medical school, and with her parents' encouragement, Nadia decides to enroll in Jewish high school. This is the most extraordinary step, particularly for a girl, considering local norms. At the Jewish boarding school, she is confronted by the apprehension, resistance and prejudice of both her Arab friends and her new Jewish classmates.

90 min. Ages: HS, Adult

In Hebrew & Arabic with English subtitles.

Israel, 1987

Distributed by: Ergo Media Inc, Teaneck, NJ, 1996.

### **NAOMI'S SONG – SHIRAT NAOMI**

**DVD920**

Naomi Shemer's collection of 42 songs, on two DVDs. Naomi was one of the most important songwriters since the founding of the state of Israel. Many of the songs she wrote formed the bedrock of Israeli culture.

On DVD I, Naomi's family and friends give background information about few songs.

The second DVD includes songs.

#### The Songs:

- |                                  |                          |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Noah                          | 22. Shirat HaAsavim      |
| 2. Kinneret (Sham Haray Golan)   | 23. Od Lo Ahavti Dai     |
| 3. Shir HaShuk                   | 24. Ein Li Rega Dal      |
| 4. Mach'bo'im (Chapes Oti)       | 25. Chevlay Mashiyach    |
| 5. Machar                        | 26. Al Kol Eleh          |
| 6. Ahavat Po'alay HaBinyan       | 27. Omrim Yeshnah Eretz  |
| 7. Yerushalayim Shel Zahav       | 28. El Borot HaMayim     |
| 8. Anachnu MeOto HaK'far         | 29. Emtza HaTammuz       |
| 9. Chorshat HaEkaliptus          | 30. Tilbeshi Lavan       |
| 10. BeHe'achzut HaNachal BeSinai | 31. Kad HaKemach         |
| 11. Shiv'chay Ma'oz              | 32. Di'yukan Immi        |
| 12. Pgishah Le'Ein Ketz          | 33. Mah Shlomech Achot   |
| 13. Yesh Li Yom Yom Chag         | 34. Toot                 |
| 14. Al Em HaDerech               | 35. Or                   |
| 15. BiSdot Beit Lechem           | 36. Sayeret Olam         |
| 16. LaShir Ze Kmo Lih'yot Yarden | 37. Ani Gitarah          |
| 17. Mar Narkis                   | 38. HaKol Patu'ach       |
| 18. Lu Yehi                      | 39. Hoy Rav Chovel       |
| 19. Sfirat Mlai                  | 40. HaMe'il              |
| 20. VeZohi Rak HaHat'chalah      | 41. BeDamayich Chayay    |
| 21. HaChagigah Nigmeret          | 42. BeChol Shanah BaStav |

Songs in Hebrew with Hebrew subtitles.

Age: All

Israel Broadcasting Authority, Jerusalem, Israel, 2004

**NICHOLAS WINTON: THE POWER OF GOOD****DVD999**

A gripping documentary about the courage and determination of a young English stockbroker; Winton saved 669 children between March 13 and August 2, 1939. Nicholas Winton organized eight transports (one airplane and seven trains) to take children from Prague to new homes in Great Britain, and kept quiet about it until his wife discovered a scrapbook documenting his unique mission, in 1988. Journalist and presenter Joe Schlesinger, a rescued child himself, describes Winton as a man of “ordinary human decency”. He has become a national hero in Prague and Britain, and his good work ripples through the lives of many.

Study Guide.

64 min. and 70 min. of extras Ages: JH, HS, Adult

A film by: Matej Minac for Czech Republic Television, 2002.

Distributed by: Gelman Educational Foundation. 734-913-5819

**NINA’S TRADGEDIES – HAASONOT SHEL NINA****DVD926**

Nadav must deal with his parents’ divorce, his high-strung mother and newly Orthodox father. He’s sent to live with his beautiful Aunt Nina to keep her company after the unexpected death of her husband. Secretly smitten with his aunt, his woes continue as he endures the pangs of unrequited love when she begins a new romance.

Hebrew with English subtitles.

110 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Israel, 2003.

Distributed by: Kol Ami, Inc., New York, NY, 2005

**NINE ESSENTIAL SKILLS FOR THE LOVE AND LOGIC CLASSROOM\* V922****V923**

This new multimedia teacher-training program was developed to make teaching fun and rewarding... instead of stressful and exhausting. Step-by-step instructions for presenting this program are included in the nine easy-to-follow modules. Presentation by: Jim Fay and Charles Fay, PhD.

There are two videos.

Tape I has five modules. 93 min.

Tape II has four modules. 66 min.

159 min. Age: Adult

Love and Logic Press, Inc., Golden, CO, 2002 (800-338-4065)

\*In addition to the videos there is a Facilitator Guide and two audiotapes.

Look under Music #305

## O

### **OUR WONDERFUL WORLD –**

**DVD918**

### **DALIK VES'TAM MEGALIM ET HAOLAM**

Dalik (beloved host of children's television in Israel) and puppet-pal Stam (who's just a child at heart!) join real-life kids in an exciting journey through the Six Days of Creation, as described in the Book of Genesis.

Their amazing adventure is filled with humor, stories and songs.

#### The Songs:

|                             |                             |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| B'chol Dor VaDor,           | B'rashit,                   |
| Ki Karov Elecha,            | Kol Yisrael,                |
| Shma Yisrael,               | Torah Tzivah Lanu Moshe,    |
| VeAhavta LeRe'acha Kamocha, | VeHineh HaShem Nitzav Alav, |
| VeShinantam LeVanecha,      | VeZe Kol HaAdam,            |
| Yaga'ti U'Matzati,          | Yismach Yisrael             |

In English, with Hebrew subtitles, or Hebrew only.

80 min. Ages: K3, EL

Pleasant Holdings, LLC, 2003.

Distributor: Sisu Home Entertainment, Inc., New York, New York, 2003.

## P

### **PAPER CLIPS\***

**DVD941**

The children of Whitwell Middle School, in rural Tennessee, took on an inspiring project, launched out of their principal's desire to help her students open their eyes to the diversity of the world beyond their insulated valley. What happened would change the students, their teachers, their families and the entire town forever and eventually open hearts and minds around the world. The amazing result is an unforgettable lesson of how a committed group of children and educators can change the world, one classroom at a time.

87 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

The Johnson Group, 2003

Hart Sharp Video, New York, NY, 2006

\*Look under Holocaust Books #83.74: *Six Million Paper Clips*

### **PASSOVER FEVER\* – LEILASEDER, KADACHAT AVIV**

**DVD963**

*Passover Fever* is a lively comedy about three generations of a modern Israeli family who convene to celebrate Passover. When Yona and Michael's children and grandchildren arrive, it is an occasion for merriment and sorrow. Dorona, the eldest daughter is allergic to everything; son Nathaniel plots to get back at his wife who recently divorced him; skinny Shai raids the pantry to satisfy an eating disorder; and a grandson predicts snow in April. Yona has her own concerns as well: she is sure that her husband has been unfaithful to her. Moving through a myriad of emotions: love, anger, longing, grief, laughter, and tears.

In Hebrew with English subtitles.

100 min. Ages: HS, Adult (\* *The program contains some coarse language.*)

Israel, 1995

### **PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS OF LOVE AND LOGIC**

**VD911,DVD912**

Betsy Geddes, Ed.D, talks from her experiences as a teacher, administrator, Love and Logic consultant, college instructor, parent and grandparent. Betsy addresses the issues teachers are facing in today's classrooms. She is known for her no-nonsense, straightforward and humorous – yet practical – approach to dealing with kids in our complicated, difficult and sometimes dangerous world.

Betsy's approach to school discipline is not only effective, but enables educators to spend less time with disruptions and more time doing what they love – teaching.

120 min. each, Ages: Adult

The Love and Logic Press, Inc., Golden, Colorado, 2002.

800-338-4065

### **Practical Applications of Love and Logic**

**DVD911**

#### **Disc I:**

The old way of teaching. Recognize and fulfill students needs. Punishment. Enabling/Rewarding. Enforcing. Empowering. Holding the kids responsible. Teach the behavior you want to see. Keep the rules simple. Preventing strategies. Building relationships. Cause and effect. Structure your environment.

**Practical Applications of Love and Logic****DVD912****Disc II:**

Intervention strategies. Lead with Empathy. When kids push your button...redirect. Ask lots of questions. What message are you sending? "I need" and "I will" messages. Choices. Change students locations. Delaying the consequence. One-on-one problem solving. Three basic truths.

**PRIMO****DVD933**

*Primo* is a delicate, understated, quite deeply moving monologue, using one man's experience to explore the depths of the depravity of the concentration camps. Antony Sher plays Primo Levi, an Italian Jew, sent to Auschwitz in 1944, at age 25; Sher adapted Levi's memoir of his experience, *If This is a Man*, for the play's script. Perhaps it's because Levi was a chemist by training; his story isn't dispassionate of clinical, certainly, but it is told carefully, in measured tones, without hyperbole or grandeur. And this of course makes it that much more profoundly devastating, this man bearing witness to the worst things that humans can and have done to one another.

110 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Royal National Theatre, London, England, 2005

Distributed by: Social Studies School Service, P.O. Box 802, Culver City, CA, 2005

**PROMISES – HAV'TACHOT****V894**

A beautiful and deeply moving portrait of children in the center of the Middle East conflict, *Promises* follows the journey of a filmmaker who travels to both a Palestinian refugee camp and an Israeli settlement in the West Bank where he meets seven Palestinian and Israeli children who exist in completely separate worlds, divided by physical, historical and emotional boundaries. Exploring the nature of these boundaries and telling the story of a few children who dared to cross the lines to meet their neighbors.

In Hebrew, Arabic and English, with English subtitles.

102 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult + Study Guide, 2004.

A film by Justine Shapiro, B.Z. Goldberg and Carlos Bolado, 2001.

Published by: Promises Film Library, P.O. Box 1084, 190 Route 17M, Harriman, New York 10926  
800-343-5540

**PROTOCOLS OF ZION****DVD973**

Film maker Marc Levin decided to explore some of the \**Protocols* in his film. Traveling across America with his father, Levin encounters various hate-filled figures, and attempts to understand their feelings toward Jews. His most entertaining excursions take place in New York City, where he encounters people whose behavior does a fine job of discrediting their views, he also attends a discussion group about Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*. In addition there is footage of an Egyptian TV min-series based on the *Protocols* book and the Malaysian prime minister paraphrasing from the pages in 2003.

Levin sensibly discounts various crackpot theories, but makes it clear that many of the people who spread anti-Semitic feeling remain worryingly influential.

95 min. Age: HS, Adult

HBO/ Cinemax

ThinkFilm, 2004

\*from the book *The Protocols of the Meetings of the Learned Elders of Zion*, which was exposed as a forgery in the 1920s

**PURE PRAYER**

**DVD939**

See description: Films from the Ma'ale School.

**PURIM ROCK – POPURIM**

**DVD895**

Meet Queen Esther, King Ahashuerus, Mordechai and Haman in a 21st century rock opera.  
Soundtrack in English and Hebrew.

30 min., all ages

Scopus Films, 1999.

Lambda Publishers, Inc., Brooklyn, New York, 2004

## Q

### **QUEEN OF PERSIA, THE**

**V907**

Step back 2000 years and discover an inspiring tale of Queen Esther, Haman, and a nation of Israelites under the rule of the Great Persian Empire. In cartoon style, where characters seem to jump off the page, this animation is historical yet fun-filled, teaching timeless values of tolerance and courage.

*This video is made of Still Animation.*

95 min., all ages

Shazak Productions, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, 2004

## R

### **RAMBAM, THE STORY OF MAIMONIDES**

**DVD928**

Rambam was born in Cordova, Spain early in the 12th century. Facing the terror of the fanatic Muslim Almohads, he and his family fled Cordova. For seven years they lived in the mountains and caves of Spain. During that time, his remarkable Torah and Talmudic knowledge increased. His love of Torah combined with his avid study of healing and natural medicine, the sciences, mathematics, astronomy – as well as the works of the classical philosophers, began to shape the destiny of his life.

An animated film.

68 min. Ages: El, JH, HS, Adult

A Berl Wein Destiny Production, Destiny Films, Monsey, NY, 2004 (800-499-9346)

### **REACH FOR THE MOON: THE SAMANTHA ABEEL STORY**

**V12**

*Reach for the Moon: The Samantha Abeel Story* presents the sixteen-year-old author of the award-winning book *Reach for the Moon*. Samantha, who struggles to understand even simple mathematics, is joined by her mother, who tells of their search for help with Sam's learning disability, and her writing teacher, who shares the joy of watching Sam's writing talent evolve. They confront the challenge of learning disabilities and, from their individual perspectives, provide inspiration and hope for parents, teachers, and young people.

13 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Pfeifer-Hamilton Publishers, Duluth, MN, 1996

Distributed by: Ziv Tzedakah Fund, Inc., Millburn, NJ

### **RELATED**

**DVD939**

See description: Films from the Ma'ale School.

## S

### **SAINT CLARA – CLARA HAKDOSHA**

**V932**

Clara, a 13 year-old from a family of Russian bear hunters, enjoys supernatural powers for several days – powers which bring her entire town to the brink of chaos and anarchy: the school bursts into flames, teachers dream about spending wild nights with Edith Piaf and an earthquake threatens to destroy everything. But just when Clara is elevated to sainthood, she is forced to choose between keeping her super-powers or experiencing first love.

Hebrew with English subtitles.

85 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Israel, 1996

Kino Video, New York, NY, 1997

### **SCHWARTZ DYNASTY – SHOSHELET SCHWARTZ**

**DVD1000**

Israeli satire centers on a pair of women who are blocked by miles of red tape in their quest to put their relatives to rest in the village's cemetery. They meet a cast of strange characters in their search, but they're ultimately able to finally take control of their lives.

*In Hebrew and Russian, with English subtitles.*

100 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Israel, 2005.

### **SEDER ON PLANET MATZAH BALL, THE**

**DVD966**

From the Jewish Heritage Series, it's *The Seder on Planet Matzah Ball*. Everyone on Planet Matzah Ball has forgotten how to celebrate Passover and it is up to Oogy to travel to Earth and find a leader for their Seder. This clever mixture of puppets and animation will help Jewish children learn all about the Story of Passover and the Seder.

36 min. Ages: K-3

Jewish Heritage Series, Inc. 2004

Distributed by: Sisu Home Entertainment, Inc., New York, NY

### **SHABLOOL AND LOOL**

**DVD919a/b**

#### Disc A:

*Shabloom*, a feature film comedy classic, starring Arik Einstein as a rock star, basketball player, and divorcee – and each role reveals a different aspect of his real life! Another sidesplitting sequence features Uri Zohar, a top comic actor of the times, as a gay, Yiddish-speaking karate instructor. The soundtrack features the great music of Einstein and Hanoach.

80 min. Ages: HS, Adult

#### Disc B:

*Lool*, the newly, digitized and restored version of the four-part Israeli TV series that made entertainment history. *Lool* features some of the funniest comedy ever captured on film. Its hilarious sketches include: *The Bible Contest*, *New Immigrants*, *The Opera La Marmur*, and other cult-classics that paved the way for the musical comedy of HaGashash HaChiver and many others. The series soundtrack includes such popular tunes of the times as: *I See Her on the Way to High School*, *You and I Will Change the World*, and *Don't Take it to Heart*.

140 min. Ages: HS, Adult

A special edition, 2-DVD set.

In Black & White

Hebrew with English subtitles.

Israel, 1970, 1972, 2004

Distributed by: Sisu Home Entertainment, Inc., New York, NY

### **SHALOM Y'ALL**

**DVD944**

*Shalom Y'all* is a documentary feature film about the Jewish experience in the American South as told through the eyes of a native son and the cultural cousins he encounters. At the center of the story is filmmaker, Brian Bain, a third generation southern Jew from New Orleans, in search of his cultural roots. Traveling in an old Cadillac like the kind his one-hundred-year-old grandfather drove as a hat and tie salesman on the same roads, Brian travels 4200 miles through the South, searching for a balance between modern life and ancient traditions. *Shalom Y'all* delivers a southern story with Jewish flavor. 59 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult  
Shalom Y'all Films Production, 2002

### **SHANGHAI GHETTO**

**DVD904**

During the late 1930's, as the Nazi threat grew greater, more and more countries closed their borders to Jews. One of the only places Jews could go, without visas or passports, was 8,000 miles away in China. Thousands of Jews fled Europe, seeking refuge in Shanghai. Despite the difficult living conditions they faced in Shanghai – which was occupied at the time by Japan – the Jewish refugees managed to survive and endure.

Using interviews inter-cut with old photographs, home movies and stock footage, directors Dana Janklowicz-Mann and Amir Mann have crafted both a wonderful historical document as well as emotionally dense portrait of the human condition.

The Manns interview historians, scholars, and a small cross-section of former Shanghai refugees, including Dana's father, who was eight years old when his family left Germany.

Narrated by: Martin Landau

95 min. Ages: HS, Adult color / black & white

Rebel Child Productions, 2002.

Produced, edited and directed by: Dana Janklowicz-Mann and Amir Mann.

### **SINGING ISRAEL**

**DVD971**

*Singing Israel* is a musical and photographic Journey of "Israeli Culture" representing the Israel of today on a CD/DVD set which can be used for karaoke, learning of songs in Hebrew, as well as discussions about Israeli culture and issues.

The CD includes a collection of 15 Israeli songs and the DVD includes 10 of these songs, which have been transliterated and set to photographs of Israel for a karaoke experience.

Through these songs, we can gain great insight into the soul of Israeli culture, we feel the love for the land, and we know the pain of war and terror with the longing for peace.

The Songs (\* indicates on DVD also):

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Omrim Yeshnah Eretz * | 8. Nadlik BeYachad Ner *  |
| 2. Darkenu *             | 9. Lehishtatot Lif'amim   |
| 3. Yom Shishi *          | 10. Ahavah BeSof HaKayitz |
| 4. Galshan *             | 11. Yoshvim BeBeit Kafeh  |
| 5. HaShir HaZeh *        | 12. Shiro Shel Shafshaf * |
| 6. Atah Totach           | 13. Biglal HaRuach        |

7. Shir LaAhavah \*

14. Ulai Od Kayitz \*

15. Tikvah \*

Ages: All

JA for Israel, The Department of JZE, New York, NY, 2004

### **SITES & SONGS OF ISRAEL**

**DVD994**

This DVD guides the viewer through the music and landscapes of Israel – Including site descriptions on the bottom of the screen.

The songs are performed by David and The High Spirit. A CD accompanies the DVD.

The Songs:

*Al Kol Eleh*  
*Eretz, Eretz*  
*Eretz Yisrael Yafah*  
*Erev Shel Shoshanim*  
*HaTik'vah*  
*Kachol VeLavan*  
*Kan Noladeti*  
*Kinneret Sheli*

*Mah Yafim HaLaylot*  
*Sham Haray Golan*  
*Sharem-a-Shech*  
*Sisu Et Yerushalayim &*  
*Yerushalayim*  
*Todah*  
*Yerushalayim Shel Zahav*

60 min. Ages: All

Produced by: David H. Yakobian for WWSR 2002.

Distributed by: Amazon.com

### **SIX DAYS IN JUNE**

**DVD996**

June 5-10, 1967: A war pitted the Israelis against the Arabs and the US against the Soviet Union. It lasted only six days, but changed the Middle East and America's policy towards it. For the 40th anniversary of the Six-Day War, this program – based on new research and newly declassified documents – brings to life the war's battlefields, its politics and strategy and the lives it affected.

For Israel, the 1967 war was a great military success that saved it from possible destruction. But the war left a troubled legacy. It mired Israel in years of occupation and violence, keeping it permanently on war footing.

108 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Public Broadcasting Service, Boston, MA, 2007.

### **SONGS IN UNIFORMS – SHIRIM BEMADIM**

**DVD992**

Sing along to hit songs from the Israeli Army Bands.

The Songs:

*Chasakeh*  
*Choref*  
*HaMal'ach Sheli*  
*Karnaval BaNachal*  
*Kum VeHithalech BaAretz*

*Malchut HaChermon*  
*Mi SheChalam*  
*Shalvah*  
*Ya Mishlati*  
*Yesh Li Ahuv BeSayeret Charuv*

*In Hebrew, with English subtitles.*

Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Produced by: Sharim Karaoki, Israel, 2005.

Distributed by: JAI & WZO, New York, NY. *In Hebrew, with English subtitles.*

Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Produced by: Sharim Karaoki, Israel, 2005.

Distributed by: JAI & WZO, New York, NY.

### **SUGIHARA, CONSPIRACY OF KINDNESS**

**DVD913**

In the fall of 1939 Hitler's murderous wave was sweeping through Eastern Europe. In the face of the Nazi onslaught, Japanese diplomat Chiune Sugihara made a decision that would change his life and thousands of others. As Japanese Consul to Lithuania, Sugihara defied Tokyo authorities by writing transit visas that were the sole remaining hope of Jews facing extermination. More than 2000 Sugihara visas allowed hundreds of families to flee Europe through Russia to Japan and safe havens abroad. Today it is estimated that at least 40,000 people owe their existence to Sugihara's heroism.

Through unprecedented access to Sugihara's family and their personal home movies, photos and papers, and interviews with Sugihara survivors and their descendants, viewers will discover an inspiring, little known story of personal courage, sacrifice and dedication.

Narrated by: Neil Ross.

82 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

WGBH, Williston, Vermont, 2005.

800-255-9424

### **SUNSHINE BOYS, THE**

**V893**

One of Neil Simon's more accessible and enjoyable screen adaptations. Two old style vaudeville stars agree to perform for a TV special, even though off-screen they hate each other's guts. It's up to Richard Benjamin (Matthau's nephew and hard working TV agent) to somehow get them to bury their differences just for this one shot.

A lovely story made perfect by both Walter Matthau and George Burns. The comedy is gentle rather than slapstick or too kinetic, which really matches the acting qualities of the two ageing stars.

110 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Turner Entertainment Co., A Time Warner Company, 1975.

### **SWEET SECRETS, MILK & HONEY – SODOT METUKIM, CHALAV UD'VASH**

**DVD1001**

A colorful and fun video explaining some of life's little mysteries: How does a flower's nectar become honey? How milk is processed from the cow to our refrigerator?

In Hebrew.

45 min. Ages: EL

Produced in Israel, 2001.

**SWORD OF GIDEON****DVD934**

Following the recently aired documentaries of the tragedy of the 1972 Olympic games, *The Sword of Gideon* documents Israel's subsequent counteractions against the perpetrators of Munich. Based on the book *Vengeance* by George Jonas. Stephen Bauer plays an Israeli soldier hired to head up a secret force of specialists to hunt down the remaining terrorists. However, the assignment soon goes awry.

172 min. Ages: HS, Adult

HBO (Home Box Office), 1987

Echo Bridge Home Entertainment, 2003

**SYRIAN BRIDE, THE – HAKALAH HASURIT****DVD951**

Mona's wedding day was the saddest day of her life. She knew that once she crossed the border between Israel and Syria to marry Tallel, she would never be able to return to her family in Majdal Shams, a Druze village in the Israeli Golan Heights – a territory that once was under Syrian sovereignty. The story of Mona's wedding day portrays all those gathered for the wedding – the family, led by Hammed, a strong headed political activist, government political officials, soldiers, police officers, Red Cross workers, Druze Syrians and Israelis. The film focuses on Mona's elder sister Amal, a modern woman trapped in traditions she wants to break away from.

Includes a teacher's guide

Hebrew, Arabic, Russian, French and English. (English subtitles available.)

97 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Directed by: Eran Riklis

Israel, 2004

## T

### **TEACH ME DIFFERENT!**

**V11**

In the first of four workshops, Professor Smith takes you inside the brain of children with learning challenges, revealing the overwhelming confusion, frustration, and sense of inadequacy they struggle with every day. In her second workshop, she leads you through the diagnostic and prescriptive steps necessary for engaging immature, passive, and concrete thinkers in experiential learning.

Two videocassettes

A) 108 min.

B) 114 min.

232 min. Age: Adult

Public Broadcasting System, 2001

### **TRIBE, THE**

**DVD952**

A jazz-like riff on: the history of Barbie, the history of Jews, and Jewish identity. *The Tribe* makes spider web-like connections between Barbie, the doll's inventor Ruth Handler (who was Jewish) and Jewish culture and identity. Both humorous and thought provoking, *The Tribe* successfully tackles an entire history of the Jewish culture in 18 minutes and poses the question: "What does it really mean to be a member of a tribe?"

18 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Produced and directed by: Tiffany Shlain

[www.tribethefilm.com](http://www.tribethefilm.com), 2006

### **TWENTY ONE HOURS AT MUNICH**

**DVD946**

*21 Hours at Munich* is a grim reenactment of the darkest days of the 1972 Munich Olympics. A gang of eight, Arab terrorists storm the Israeli dormitory, killing two and taking hostage nine athletes. The terrorist's demands include the release of 200 Arabs held in Israeli jails; Israel follows its standard policy in dealing with terrorism and refuses to capitulate. There can be only one way that this film will end, but the tragedy of the occasion is buoyed by isolated moments of inspirational heroism.

100 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Orion Picture Corporation, 1976 (TV film)

Sony Pictures Home Entertainment, Inc., 2005

### **TYKOCIN**

**DVD938**

See description: Diaspora.

## U

### **UNLIKELY HEROS**

**DVD910**

The film highlights seven extraordinary individual who each, without any fanfare, and in very different ways, took it upon themselves to take action. They made a huge impact on the lives of many people and their stories will add a new chapter to the history of Jewish resistance.

The unlikely heros are:

- The Lawyer – Dr Willy Perl, Austria
- The Entertainer – Robert Clary, France
- The Rabbi's Daughter – Racha Sternbuch, Switzerland
- The Artist – Friedle Dicker Brandeis, Czech Republic
- The Partisan – Leon Kahn, Lithuania
- The Sisters – Hanka Wajcblum (Anna Heilman) Poland
- The Master of Disguise – Pinchas Rosenbaum, Hungaria

Narrated by: Ben Kingsley

120 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Moriah Films of Simon Wiesenthal Center, California, 2005.

### **USHPIZIN**

**DVD948**

Set in the world of ultra-Orthodox Jews, this drama follows Moshe and Malli, a married couple who pray for help to solve their financial woes. Instead of a miracle, they find two strangers on their doorstep, which they interpret as a test of faith by G-d.

Hebrew with English subtitles.

92 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Israel, 2004

### **UTZ LI GUTZ LI**

**DVD1003**

This Israeli version of the fairytale Rumpelstiltskin is a colorful full-length production featuring the music of top Israeli composer Dubi Zeltzer and the lyrics of Avraham Shlonski.

In Hebrew.

80 min. Ages: EL, JH, HS

Produced in Israel.

## V

### **VERY FUNNY WORLD OF ALAN KING, THE**

**V909**

Alan King entertained audiences in movies, books, live performances and on television. This video features some of his most funny skits.

Growing Old Isn't Fun, But What's the Alternative?

His Show Stealing Routine on Television's Comic Relief – 1994

King Takes On: The Airlines

King Takes On: Detroit's Auto Manufacturers

King Takes On: The Medical Profession

Momma – Her Enema and Chicken Soup

The Old Men – with Art Carney

The Problems in the Middle East

Survived by Widow

90 min. Ages: All

Alan King Productions and Consumer Video Marketing, 1994.

Distributed by: PBS Home Video, Alexandria, Virginia.

### **VIRTUAL CHANUKAH**

**DVD914**

*Virtual Chanukah* is packed with great Chanukah videos, fun, games, recipes, interesting Chanukah facts and more.

Ages: All

Jewish Educational Media, Brooklyn, New York, 2004.

## W

### **WALK ON WATER**

**DVD925**

Eyal, a hit-man for Mossad (the Israeli Intelligence Agency), must shadow Axel, a young German whose grandfather, a notorious Nazi war criminal, has eluded justice. Eyal is initially bored by the assignment but quickly becomes entwined in the lives of Axel and his sister.

English, German and Hebrew, with English subtitles.

Two copies.

104 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Israel, 2004

Distributed by: Kol Ami, Inc., New York, NY, 2005

### **WALKING THE BIBLE**

**DVD940**

The stories in the Torah, come alive as Feiler searches across three continents for the stories and heroes shared by Christians and Jews. You'll visit the slopes of Mount Ararat, where Noah's ark landed, trek to the desert outpost where Abraham first heard the words of G-d, and scale the summit where Moses received the Ten Commandments. Dramatic scripture readings interspersed throughout bring you closer to these Biblical settings. A once-in-a-lifetime journey, *Walking the Bible* offers new insights into the roots of our common faith and uncovers fresh answers to the most profound questions of the human spirit.

There are two discs in this film:

Disc I: **Go Forth – From Creation to Abraham**

**A Coat of Many Colors – The Israelites in Egypt**

Disc II: **Toward the Promised Land: Forty Years in the Desert**

**Special Features**

168 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

PBS (Public Broadcasting Service), 2006

### **WATERMARKS**

**DVD949**

Yaron Zilberman's *Watermarks* is the story of the champion women swimmers of the legendary Vienna sports club HaKoah, a wildly victorious Jewish organization created in response to Austrian anti-Semitism. Alternating between painstakingly researched historical footage and contemporary interviews with the women swimmers, Zilberman daringly re-connects the lives and memories of those who challenged the status quo and, for the occasion of his movie, bravely share their complex legacy of tolerance and integrity with future generations.

English, Hebrew and German with English subtitles

Color/B&W

80 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

US/Israel, 2004

### **WOMEN OF THE WALL**

**V950**

One of the most remarkable and useful aspects of *Women of the Wall* is that while it tells a very specific story, it connects the audience to a much wider set of issues: feminism,

pluralism, inter-religious strife. *Women of the Wall*, in addition to being an artistic documentary, is truly an inspiring and original educational tool. It has opened students' minds to new religious perspectives and has exposed the painful and courageous struggle of the women's prayer group.

31 min. Ages: HS, Adult

Producer and director: Faye Lederman

Squeeze the Slone Productions

New Days Films, Harriman, NY, 1999

### **WONDROUS OBLIVION**

**DVD993**

Eleven year-old David Wiseman lives with the singular dream of being a cricket star, but much to the dismay and ridicule of his classmates, he is all passion and no skill.

The son of a traditional Jewish family living in the racial and cultural turbulence of 1960s South London, David and his world are shaken by the unexpected arrival of the Samuels, a lively and big-hearted Jamaican family. When Dennis Samuels erects a cricket net in his backyard, David is ecstatic. However, David's enthusiasm is not shared by all in his racially-charged community and the Wisemans find themselves forced to choose between aligning with the prejudices of the neighborhood and sticking by their new-found friends.

106 min. Ages: JH, HS, Adult

Produced in England, 2003.

Distributed by: Amazon.com

## Y

### **YIPPEE! A JOURNEY TO JEWISH JOY**

**DVD984**

When Mazursky was told that 25,000-mostly Chassidic-Jews from around the world were expected to visit Uman for three days of praying, singing, and dancing, the director felt compelled to make the journey himself. Arriving in the Ukraine with a small film crew, Mazursky experiences an amazing series of events.

He meets and interviews a wide variety of Jewish men from many countries, sharing meals, laughs, and this unique experience. The director visits the gravesite of Chassidic movement founder the Baal Shem Tov (Nachman's great-grandfather) and talks with Uman's non-Jews about their reactions to the annual massive influx of Chassidim. The adventure culminates on the evening of Rosh HaShana in a mass expression of spiritual ecstasy.

*Yippee* is an infectious road movie filled with electricity and awe and Mazursky is splendid guide, funny, and curious.

74min. Age: JH, HS, Adult

Producer/Director: Paul Mazursky

Distributed by: NCJF, Brandeis University, Waltham, MASS, 2006.

### **YOM**

**DVD939**

See description: Films for the Ma'ale School.

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