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# 7th annual NEW HAMPSHIRE JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

march 19-29, 2015

## LOCATIONS

Bedford  
Concord  
Keene  
Manchester  
Merrimack  
Portsmouth

*Presented by*

Jewish Federation  
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Advance tickets for ALL screenings may be purchased:

- Online at [www.brownpapertickets.com/profile/833384](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/profile/833384)
- Online at [www.jewishnh.org](http://www.jewishnh.org)
- By phone at 800-838-3006 extension 1
- At Jewish Federation of New Hampshire box office during normal business hours

For information, call 603-627-7679.  
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**WELCOME TO THE 2015 NEW HAMPSHIRE FILM FESTIVAL**

It's showtime, movie lovers! From March 19 to 29, 2015, we will present 10 films in six NH cities in 11 days! On screens statewide, see award-winning NH premiere films, including comedies, dramas, thrillers, and engaging documentaries.

Some of the 2015 highlights include our **Gala Night on the Town** at SERESC, **special guest speakers**, and the **Closing Film and Wrap Party**.

Our curated lineup of films this year come from the United States, Israel, France, Germany, Argentina, Venezuela, and Uruguay. These films provide a unique window into Jewish themes and values, explore Jewish identity, and present the richness of Jewish culture relative to a diverse modern world.

Our mission is to enhance Jewish life in New Hampshire, showing films that resonate with us to inform, expand our understanding, and connect us to the wider world of the Jewish people.

The Festival is made possible through the generous financial support of many valued sponsors. Sincere thanks and appreciation go to new and returning corporate and individual sponsors, Friends of the Festival, and our dedicated statewide audience. Together, they ensure that we can continue to present an exceptional Festival annually.

Heartfelt thanks go to our all-volunteer Festival Committee for their enthusiasm, commitment, and hard work during the past 12 months to produce the Festival, Federation's largest statewide cultural program.

Thanks are also due to JFNH executive director Daniel Levenson, office manager Jennifer O'Keefe, and the JFNH staff for their key roles and day-to-day support.

Join us often at a theater near you for extraordinary cinema. Celebrate global Jewish culture right here in our vibrant NH Jewish community.

See you at the movies!

Linda L. Gerson & Pat Kalik  
*Co-Chairwomen, NH Jewish Film Festival*

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**FESTIVAL SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE**

**Thursday, March 19**

• **THE OUTRAGEOUS SOPHIE TUCKER**

7:00 pm @ Mara Lecture Hall, Webster Hall, SNHU, Manchester  
Special Guests: Susan and Lloyd Ecker



**Saturday, March 21**

• **LITTLE WHITE LIE**

8:00 pm @ SERESC, Bedford  
**GALA NIGHT ON THE TOWN FILM, SPEAKER, & RECEPTION**  
Special Guest: Lacey Schwartz



**Sunday, March 22**

• **24 DAYS**

1:00 pm @ Cinemagic, Merrimack



• **RUN BOY RUN**

1:30 pm @ Music Hall Loft, Portsmouth



• **RUN BOY RUN**

2:00 pm @ Putnam Arts Lecture Hall, Redfern, Keene  
with post-film discussion

• **HILL START**

4:00 pm @ Cinemagic, Merrimack



• **HILL START**

4:00 pm @ The Music Hall Loft, Portsmouth

**Thursday, March 26**

• **MAGIC MEN**

7:00 pm @ Red River Theatres, Concord



**Saturday, March 28**

• **KIDON**

8:00 pm @ Red River Theatres, Concord



• **KIDON**

8:00 pm @ Putnam Arts Lecture Hall, Redfern, Keene

**Sunday, March 29**

• **JON IMBER'S LEFT HAND**

12:30 pm @ Red River Theatres, Concord  
Special Guests: Richard Kane & Ron Hoffman



• **MAGIC MEN**

2:00 pm @ Putnam Arts Lecture Hall, Redfern, Keene

• **GOD'S SLAVE**

2:30 pm @ Red River Theatres, Concord



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4:30 pm @ Red River Theatres Concord  
**CLOSING NIGHT FILM & FESTIVAL WRAP PARTY**



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

**PRICING:** \$10 per person, except Gala Night on the Town Film, Speaker, & Reception (\$42.50) and Closing Night Film & Festival Wrap Party (\$12.50).

**SEATING:** Seating is not assigned. Seats are limited.

**Advanced ticket purchase is highly recommended.**

**GROUP RATES:** Special rates for groups of 10 or more are available for all screenings except the Gala Night on the Town and Closing Night Film & Wrap Party. Visit [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com) for information.

**SEASON PASS:** \$112.50 season subscription for one person to the 2015 Film Festival series, non-transferable. Nine films, including Gala Night on the Town Film, Speaker, & Reception and Closing Night Film & Festival Wrap Party.

**ACCESSIBILITY:** All programs are handicap-accessible.

**PARKING:** Free parking is available in public lots.

**TICKETS AT THE DOOR:** Additional tickets may be available at the door prior to the show. In the event of a sellout, a rush line will be formed 30 minutes before show time.

All ticket sales are final. No refunds and no exceptions. Refunds will only be given if programs are canceled or rescheduled. Schedule is subject to change. Go to [www.jewishnh.org](http://www.jewishnh.org) for program notices.

## THEATER ADDRESSES

### Cinemagic Stadium Theaters

11 Executive Park Drive, Merrimack, NH 03054  
603-423-0240 [www.cinemagicmovies.com](http://www.cinemagicmovies.com)

### The Music Hall Loft

131 Congress Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801  
603-436-2400 [www.themusichall.org](http://www.themusichall.org)

### Redfern Arts Center Putnam Arts Lecture Hall Keene State College

229 Main Street, Keene, NH 03435  
603-358-2168 [www.keene.edu/racbp](http://www.keene.edu/racbp)

### Red River Theatres

11 S. Main Street, Concord, NH 03301  
603-224-4600 [www.redrivertheatres.org](http://www.redrivertheatres.org)

### SERESC

29 Commerce Drive, Bedford, NH 03110  
603-206-6800 [www.seresc.net](http://www.seresc.net)

### Southern NH University Mara Lecture Hall, Webster Hall

2500 North River Road, Manchester, NH 03106  
800-668-1249 [www.snhu.edu](http://www.snhu.edu)

## THANKS TO OUR 2015 FESTIVAL COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

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# GALA NIGHT ON THE TOWN FILM, SPEAKER, & RECEPTION

## LITTLE WHITE LIE

NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Saturday, March 21, 2015, 8:00 pm  
SERESC, Bedford, NH

English, 2014 Documentary  
65 minutes  
Director: Lacey Schwartz, USA

Admission: \$42.50 per person,  
includes film, speaker, and Gala Wine  
and Sweet/Savory Dessert Reception



Lacey Schwartz grew up with loving parents and a strong sense of her Jewish identity, despite questions from those around her about how a white girl could have such dark skin. At age 18, her parents' abrupt split leads her to confront her mother and learn the difficult truth about her origins. Years later, Lacy turns the camera on herself to document her cathartic quest for the truth of her personal story, producing a sensitive documentary that explores issues of race and family dynamics.

"A beautiful, intimate, and complex exploration" — Diana Clarke, LA Weekly  
"One of the most profound meditations on race I've ever actually experienced"  
— Chris Hayes, MSNBC

### Special Guest: Lacey Schwartz

Post-film discussion and Q&A with Lacey Schwartz, director and subject of the film. Schwartz is CEO of production company Truth Aid and director of outreach for Be'chol Lashon, an organization that grows and strengthens the Jewish people through ethnic, cultural, and racial inclusiveness. A director/producer, she has worked with production companies and networks including MTV, BET, and @radical.media.

Enjoy a Gala Wine and Sweet/Savory Dessert Reception after the film and Special Guest Q&A.

## CLOSING EVENT: FILM & FESTIVAL WRAP PARTY

### DELI MAN

NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Sunday, March 29, 2015, 4:30 pm  
Red River Theatres, Concord, NH

English, 2014 Documentary  
90 minutes  
Director: Erik Greenberg Anjou, USA  
Rated: PG-13

Admission: \$12.50 per person,  
includes Festival Wrap Party



Laugh your way through hilarious stories of American delicatessens while drooling over the wonderful Jewish food being prepared before your eyes. The story of the American deli is the story of Jews: their immigration, migration, upward mobility, and western assimilation. Your guide to the world of the American deli is the charming Ziggy Gruber, a third-generation deli man, owner, and maven who operates one of the country's top delis, Kenny and Ziggy's in Houston.

Boston Jewish Film Festival and New York Jewish Film Festival selection

Following the film, join us for a Festival Wrap Party Reception. Enjoy a delicious nosh and celebrate the close of the 7th Annual NH Jewish Film Festival.

## 24 DAYS

### NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Sunday, March 22, 2015, 1:00 pm  
Cinematic Stadium Theaters, Merrimack, NH

French w/English subtitles, 2014 Drama,  
Suspense  
108 minutes

Director: Alexandre Arcady, France

Admission: \$10 per person

Mature content, contains violence



This is a shocking tale of savage anti-Semitism in the heart of Europe. A young Parisian Jew, Ilan Halimi, is kidnapped by a suburban gang, who demand a huge ransom.

Based on a book by his mother, Ruth Halimi, about the real events, this cinematic adaptation offers searing insight into the victim's ordeal, the violent world he enters, and the harrowing experience of his family, waiting and hoping that the police can save their son.

*"Wrenching and politically astute"* — Screen Daily  
Winner of the Jewish Experience Award,  
Jerusalem International Film Festival 2014

## GOD'S SLAVE

### NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Sunday, March 29, 2015, 2:30 pm  
Red River Theatres, Concord, NH

Spanish, Arabic, Hebrew, and French  
w/English subtitles, 2013 Drama, Thriller  
90 minutes

Director: Joel Novoa, Argentina, Uruguay,  
USA, and Venezuela

Admission: \$10 per person

Mature content, contains violence



Based on the actual 1994 bombing in Buenos Aires, *God's Slave* follows Ahmed, trained since childhood as an Islamic terrorist, now assigned to carry out

a suicide bombing at a synagogue, and David, the cold-blooded Israeli special agent who must prevent the attack. With time running out before the attack, David zeroes in on Ahmed, and his investigation culminates in violent, if unexpected, consequences.

Winner Special Jury Prize, Palm Beach  
International Film Festival

## HILL START

### NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Sunday, March 22, 2015, 4:00 pm  
Cinematic Stadium Theaters, Merrimack, NH

Sunday, March 22, 2015, 4:00 pm  
The Music Hall Loft, Portsmouth, NH

Hebrew w/English subtitles, 2014 Comic Drama  
92 minutes

Director: Oren Stern, Israel

Admission: \$10 per person

Mature content, sexual situations



In this comic drama, Ora, mother of a bourgeois family in Jerusalem, is in a coma as the result of a car accident. As her children and other family members try to help her regain consciousness

using any means possible, the viewer meets plastic surgeons, a wheelchair-bound marathon coach, a tough private investigator, a yoga instructor, a sensitive belly dancer, and a big star in the Arab cinema.

*"A quirky, feel-good comedy"* — Amy Kronish,  
Israeli Film & Filmmakers blog

## JON IMBER'S LEFT HAND

### SPEAKER PRESENTATION

Sunday, March 29, 2015, 12:30 pm  
Red River Theatres, Concord, NH

English, 2014 Documentary  
62 minutes

Director: Richard Kane, USA

Admission: \$10 per person

**Special Guests: Richard Kane and Ron Hoffman**

Following the film, director Richard Kane and Ron Hoffman, who is featured in the film, will discuss the making of the film and conduct a Q&A with audience members. Kane is the Maine-based director of the UMVA Maine Masters Project and principal partner at Kane-Lewis Productions. Ron Hoffman is founder of Compassionate Care ALS.



New England-based painter Jon Imber was diagnosed with ALS, a fatal degenerative disease, in 2012. The film follows his creative adaptations to ALS, his

devotion to his art and his family, and his determination to complete his life's work while he can, painting more than 100 portraits of friends, family, and neighbors in three months. It is a testament to the power of art and the ability of a community to rally around one of its own.

*"This beautiful film... takes the wind out of you."*  
— Boston Globe

Audience Award Best Documentary, Boston  
Jewish Film Festival 2014  
Independent Film Festival Boston 2014

## KIDON

### NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Saturday, March 28, 2015, 8:00 pm  
Red River Theatres, Concord, NH

Saturday, March 28, 2015, 8:00 pm  
Putnam Arts Lecture Hall,  
Redfern Arts Center, Keene, NH

Hebrew, French w/English subtitles, 2014 Comedy  
89 minutes

Director: Emmanuel Naccache, France, Israel

Admission: \$10 per person

Mature content, sexual situations



On February 18, 2010, in Tel Aviv, the whole world awakes to see front page pictures of Mossad agents killing Mahmoud al Mabhohu in Dubai a month earlier. It was the

first time that simple security cameras of a hotel caught secret agents red-handed – what's more, Israeli agents. But without doubt, the most surprised of all were the Mossad leaders, the only ones to know for sure that the three men and one woman in the photos had nothing to do with them.

From then on, they race against time hoping to understand why everything is aiming at them.

Audience Choice Best Film, London Israeli Film  
and Television Festival SERET 2014

## MAGIC MEN

### NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Thursday, March 26, 2015, 7:00 pm  
Red River Theatres, Concord, NH

Sunday, March 29, 2015, 2:00 pm  
Putnam Arts Lecture Hall,  
Redfern Arts Center, Keene, NH

Hebrew, English, Greek w/English subtitles,  
2013 Feature  
100 minutes

Directors: Guy Nattiv and Erez Tadmor, Israel,  
Greece

Admission: \$10 per person

Mature content



A jaded 78-year-old Holocaust survivor and his Hasidic rapper son, who have been estranged for many years, embark on a road trip from Israel to

Greece, searching for an old magician who saved the father's life during World War II. The journey leads them to absurd encounters, moments of affection and humor, and a final confrontation.

Audience Voted Best Feature, Chicago Festival of  
Israeli Cinema 2014  
Best Actor, Israeli Academy Awards 2013

*Sponsored by Congregation Ahavas Achim*

## THE OUTRAGEOUS SOPHIE TUCKER

### NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Thursday, March 19, 2015, 7:00 pm  
Mara Lecture Hall, Webster Hall, Southern  
New Hampshire University, Manchester, NH

English, 2014 Documentary  
96 minutes

Director: William Gazecki, USA

Admission: \$10 per person

**Special Guests: Susan and Lloyd Ecker**

Post-film discussion and Q&A with the Eckers,  
the film's producers and narrators.

*Sponsored by CCA Global Partners*



The rags-to-riches story of Sophie Tucker, the iconic superstar who ruled the worlds of vaudeville, Broadway, radio, television, and Hollywood throughout the 20th

century. Before Lady Gaga and Mae West, Sophie Tucker was the first woman to infatuate her audiences with a bold, bawdy, and brassy style unlike any other. The film takes you on a seven-year journey retracing Tucker's 60-year career in show business using Tucker's more than 400 recently discovered personal scrapbooks.

*"Hugely enjoyable.... [It] will prompt an outburst of Sophiomania."* Toronto Star

## RUN BOY RUN

### NEW HAMPSHIRE PREMIERE

Sunday, March 22, 2015, 1:30 pm  
The Music Hall Loft, Portsmouth, NH

Sunday, March 22, 2015, 2:00 pm  
Putnam Arts Lecture Hall,  
Redfern Arts Center, Keene, NH  
Post film discussion follows the Keene screening

Polish, German, Russian, Yiddish w/English  
subtitles, 2014 Drama  
107 minutes

Director: Pepe Danquart, Germany, France

Admission: \$10 per person

Mature content, contains violence

*Sponsored by Cohen Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Keene State College*



The extraordinary true story based on Uri Orlev's book about a Polish boy who seeks the kindness of others in his solitary struggle to outlast the

Nazi occupation and keep alive his Jewish faith. Escaping the Warsaw ghetto, nine-year-old Sruilk flees to the woods, but loneliness and the harsh winter drive him back to civilization. Traveling village to village as a farmhand, he learns that some will help and some will betray him. His harrowing journey culminates in a powerhouse conclusion and postscript.

Audience Award Best Feature, Boston Jewish Film  
Festival 2014