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International film festival coming to Palestine in November

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Ma'an - Al Kasaba theatre and cinematheque in the West Bank city of Ramallah is preparing for its first ever international film festival. From November 9 to 21, Al Kasaba is going to bring dozens of films from all around the world to a Palestinian audience.



From the Arab world, the films will include 'Dunia' and 'The Bus' from Lebanon, 'The Yaqubian Building' and 'Free Times' from Egypt, 'Under the Roof' from Syria, 'New Day in Ancient Sana'a' from Yemen, 'Fleur d'Oubli' from Tunisia, 'Dreams' from Iraq and 'Waiting' from Palestine. Many Palestinians will also finally have the chance to see the highly-acclaimed Palestinian film 'Paradise Now', that achieved international success in 2006 when it was nominated for the Oscar 2006 for the best foreign film.

Films from France, Germany, Spain, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Denmark, Turkey and Brazil will also be shown. In particular, Al Kasaba wishes to introduce the Danish director Larsen Von Tryeir to Palestinian audiences. A number of his films will be screened, including 'Manderlay', 'Dancer in the Dark', 'Breaking the Waves' and 'Dogville'.

The festival will also honour the Egyptian film director Youssef Chahine by screening many of his films.

In addition, the festival will include a number of talks and workshops on Palestine's role in world cinema. The Lebanese director, Jocelyne Saab, is scheduled to meet with Palestinian film directors to discuss her experiences of filming 'Dunia'.

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Questionnaire

Is it more important
that the Palestinian
government:

Is democratically
elected?

Or, accepts the
Quartet's
demands?

Al Kasaba hopes this festival will promote cultural and cinematic exchange, and contribute to promoting Palestinian films around the world.

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Palestinian
conflict has to
end by mid-2007
for there to be
regional peace,
Jordanian king
declares



Israeli army
bombs north
Gaza; 7
Palestinians
killed, 62 injured
One Israeli
soldier killed
during ground
invasion



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embark on
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must have a
national
government, be
it technocratic or
political



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