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By

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on

A History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict Through the Lens of Israeli Films

The Arab-Israeli conflict has always been one of the main topics in Israeli films. Starting with examples from pre-state Zionist feature films, this lecture will analyze the representation of the conflict between Jews and Arabs as portrayed through the lenses of Jewish-Israeli filmmakers.

After a short survey of the development of the conflict and its cinematic representation in the past, the lecture will then focus on more recent Israeli films dealing with this conflict. These films, which are products of the social psychology generated by the politics of disengagement, are also outstanding cinematic works of art. The lecture will try to portray the relationship between the social and the artistic aspects of this reality. We shall look at the cinematic representation of the conflict and its aesthetic strategies which bring forth complex perspectives, fears and beliefs. The films in question often give an in-depth look at the psychology of a people immersed in a situation full of paradoxes, anxieties and hopes.

The lecture will include the screening of clips from prominent Israeli films such as: *Sabra*, *Hill 24 Doesn't Answer*, *Beyond the Walls*, *Avanti Popolo*, *Walk on Water*, *The Band's Visit* and *Ajami*.

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5:00 – 7:30 PM

**Miller Center Auditorium, 105 Merrick Building
5202 University Drive, UM - Coral Gables**

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Light refreshments will be served on the Scharlin Patio.

**Free and open to the public. Seating is limited. First come, first served.
After 4:00pm, UM parking lots are available to the public free of charge.**

Directions to the Miller Center. From U.S.-1: turn right from the north or left from the south onto Granada Boulevard. Bear left onto Pisano Ave. Cross the small bridge and make a left onto University Drive. Parking lots are on your right. After parking, continue walking on University Drive. The Miller Center is at the Merrick building room 105 on your right when you get to the roundabout.



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