

Jewish Community Business Circle Goes Online

The Jewish Community Business Circle - JCBC - has set up a website using Meetup.com to organize their future meetings. Members can now post photos and profiles, explain their businesses, and contact each other outside of the regular meetings. Members can receive emails alerting them to upcoming meetings and they can find out more information on upcoming topics and speakers. To visit the site and sign up your business, go to www.meetup.com and type "Jewish" in the search box.

The JCBC was organized in 2004 as a way to bring Jewish

business and professional leaders together for advice and mutual support. The group meets once a month, on the third Tuesday, with a guest speaker discussing a topic of interest to our business community. Meetings are held at 6:30 PM in Luski Hall, which is room 207 of the Bernstein Education Building in Shalom Park.

The December meeting will include a presentation from David Van Glish, titled "Sell Yourself, Not Your Product: The Path to Sales Success." Too often we focus our sales meetings on our products or services, but spend

very little time building a rapport with our prospect or client. David will share his 25 years of sales experience and discuss ways to quickly build relationships, find common ground, and listen to potential clients before a word is said about your business. David is a financial advisor with Merrill Lynch and partners with his moth-

er, Judie. Together, they have more than 21 years of experience in the financial services industry. David and his mother are members of the JCBC.

For more information, contact co-presidents Justin Lowenberger at 704-534-1105 or email justin-lowenberger@mydrtd.com or Don Rosenberg at 704-364-1784

or donrosenberg@gmail.com. So if you are hoping to grow your business, if you're new to Charlotte and looking for contacts, if you're considering starting a business, or if you just want to share your knowledge with others, the Jewish Community Business Circle is worth a visit. ☆

Charlotte Jewish Film Festival Plans an Exciting Line-up of Events



Writer and director Eyal Halfon, winner of the best screenplay from the Israel Film Academy and the Golden Dolphin for best film at Festroia-Troia International Film Festival, will be in Charlotte for the opening night of the 2008 CJFF.

The fourth annual Charlotte Jewish Film Festival is coming March 1-8, 2008. We are pleased to announce two very special events that will be kicking off the festival this year:

Fine Arts and Film: CJFF at the Mint on Tuesday, February 26 at 7 PM; Film: *Rape of Europa*. A powerful documentary film of the systematic theft, deliberate destruction, and miraculous survival of Europe's art treasures during the Third Reich. This pre-festival event will be co-sponsored by The Mint Museum (museum exhibits will be open to our filmgoers for free).

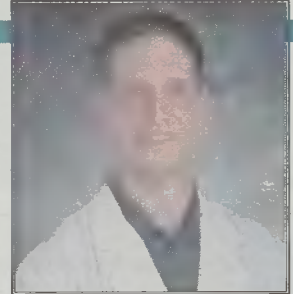
Opening Night and Reception on Saturday night, March 1 at the Ballantyne Village Theatre; Film: *What a Wonderful Place (Eize Makom Nifla)*. Filmmaker and

speaker: **Eyal Halfon**. An Israeli drama with a kaleidoscope of characters and story lines that weave together in this thought provoking, award-winning film. Opening night is sponsored by the Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah.

The 2008 Charlotte Jewish Film Festival will take place March 1-8, 2008 and is sponsored by the Levine Jewish Community Center and the Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah. A generous grant from the Arts and Science Council also supports the festival.

In the coming months, please check our website at www.charlottejewishfilm.com for film information, trailers, and more. Please contact Phyllis Berlin, Phyber117@aol.com, for sponsorship and patronship information.

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