

Extra Extras – More to Come from the 2015 CJFF

By the time you read this, the Charlotte Jewish Film Festival will have just wrapped up its 11th season. It was another fantastic three weeks of movies and value-

added events that confirmed the CJFF's place as one of the premiere cultural events in the region.

However, they are not done

quite yet as there are three upcoming "Extras" screenings that will be sure to interest you.

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On Thursday, April 2 at 6 PM (UNCC COED 010/the College of Education Building), the CJFF will once again participate in UNC Charlotte's International Film Series with the screening of *A Bottle in the Gaza Sea*: A message in a bottle leads to an engrossing e-mail exchange between a 17-year-old Israeli girl and a 20-year-old Palestinian boy. Eventually, they challenge each other's views about life, war, and relationships.

Tickets are free for *A Bottle in the Gaza Sea* - visit filmfest.uncc.edu/ for parking and other details.



On Sunday, March 29 at 2 PM (Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5), the Charlotte Jewish Film Festival and the Charlotte Film Society are proud to present Nadav Schirman's *The Green Prince*: A tense psychological thriller, this extraordinary documentary recounts the true story of the son of a Hamas leader who emerged as one of Israel's prized informants, and the Shin Bet agent who risked his career to protect him.

"Since 1982, the Charlotte Film Society has brought foreign, classic and independent films that otherwise would not screen in Charlotte," commented Co-Director Benjamin Schwartz. "Their mission is basically identical to the CJFF's and collaborating on an event is a natural fit. We hope this is the first of many co-sponsored events that our organizations do together."

To purchase tickets (\$10) and for additional information on *The Green Prince*, please visit

On Sunday, April 12 at 7 PM (Tate Hall, Central Piedmont Community College), the CJFF is proud to present *AKA Doc Pomus* as part of Sensoria, CPCC's celebration of the arts: Jerome Felder (a.k.a. Doc Pomus) was a self-described "fat Jewish boy with polio" who became one of the most prolific songwriters in history ("Viva Las Vegas," "Save the Last Dance For Me," and "This Magic Moment" to name just a few). *AKA Doc Pomus* brings to life Doc's romantic, heartbreaking, and extraordinarily eventful journey to rock legend.

Tickets are free for *AKA Doc Pomus* - visit sensoria.cpcc.edu to learn more.

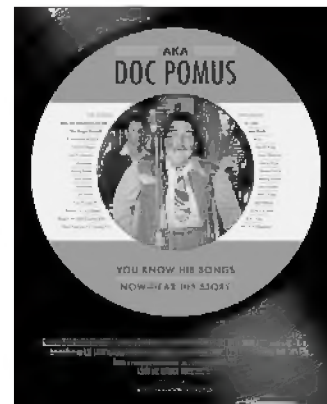
"We are so excited about our



continued participation in both UNC Charlotte's International Film Series and CPCC's Sensoria" said CJFF Co-Director Rick Willenzik. "These cultural events help connect the entire Charlotte community, allowing everyone to promote and expose their respective festivals to an audience that we both might not normally reach on our own."

Once these three events are over, the incredible CJFF team will dive right in to planning for Fan Appreciation Day (Summer 2015) and its FallFlicks (Fall 2015) series, along with the start of the screening process for potential films for the 2016 lineup.

The CJFF is now a year-round endeavor. More exciting details will be coming soon. ☆



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Free Comedy Performance at Elmcroft Senior Living Center

Mark Klein has a mission: To bring contemporary stand-up comedy to an under-served population.

Comedian and corporate humor speaker Klein and Elmcroft Senior Living Centers are partnering to provide a comedy event open to the public at Elmcroft of Little Avenue.

"Here's To Life Through Laughter" brings the same show Klein does on cruise ships and comedy clubs to the senior residents at Elmcroft.

The 45-minute show is open to the public, free of charge, and makes the Senior Living center a community entertainment and social venue for the evening.

Show date is March 3, 5-7 PM, 7745 Little Ave. Contact: Tammy Mullins 704-771-1669.

Mark Klein has made laughter

his living for 30 years. He has been profiled by CBS, GQ Magazine, and Forbes, and is a frequent guest on radio shows such as Bob and Tom. He performs on cruise ships, comedy clubs, and corporate venues from Tampa to Tahiti. A native of Louisville KY, off-stage he is a husband, father, thoroughbred race horse owner, and the official walker of the dumbest dog in the world.

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