

Charlotte Jewish Film Festival 2016 Schedule

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SABENA HIJACKING - MY VERSION - \$10

Sunday, March 6 - 7:15 PM - Regal Ballantyne

The riveting, untold story of what took place throughout 30 hours of nerve-racking captivity aboard Sabena Flight 571 after it was hijacked by terrorists in 1972.

THE MIDNIGHT ORCHESTRA - \$10

Wednesday, March 9 - 7:15 PM - Regal Ballantyne

The estranged son of a famous musician returns home and unexpectedly finds his life transformed by the members of his father's former band and his eccentric local guide.

ONCE IN A LIFETIME - \$10

Saturday, March 12 - 7:15 PM - Regal Ballantyne

Based on the inspirational true story about a diverse group of rebellious students whose lives are transformed when their no-nonsense teacher enters them into a national competition.

A TALE OF LOVE AND DARKNESS - \$10

Sunday, March 13 - 3 PM - Regal Ballantyne

Academy Award-winning actress Natalie Portman makes her



"Wedding Doll"

directorial debut in this extraordinary adaption of Amos Oz's celebrated memoir set during the birth of the state of Israel.

SERIAL (BAD) WEDDINGS - Closing Night - \$15

Sunday, March 13 - 7:15 PM - Regal Ballantyne

A French couple has their lives turned upside down when their four daughters marry men from different races and religions.

Additional Programming (not part of Early Bird or Regular All Festival Pass)

Sundays at Lake Norman

Presented in collaboration with the Jewish Council of Lake Norman. All films will screen 4 PM at Our Town Cinemas in Davidson.

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Sunday, February 21

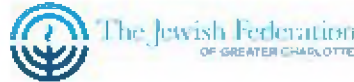
MR. KAPLAN - \$10

Sunday, February 28

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Sunday, March 13

For more information, please see our ad on the previous page. ☆



"A Tale of Love and Darkness"

Op-Ed: Is the Real Problem Middle Eastern Refugees?

Editor's Note: The opinions expressed are those of the author.
By Lloyd Scher

What is happening in America when people who are fleeing a war torn country and are prevented from seeking safety for their family? My grandparents told me how several of our relatives tried to flee Germany in the 1930s only to die in concentration camps in Europe. All they wanted to do was to take care and protect their family. Even here during World War II we locked up Japanese Americans but let Germans and Italians roam the streets of the country. My mom taught the Holocaust for 31 years at Temple Israel and the Hebrew High and she reminded us of the problems Jews had in seeking a safe place.

It is the same today as it was then.

I believe in an America that is a beacon of freedom to the world. I believe that the American people will do what is right. I believe in the Constitution of the United States. These are the things that make America great but what is happening now is scary.

We have people running for President who want to only let Christians into the country. So my

question is: which ones? Do we let just let in Protestants or Methodists or Baptist? Do we do it by numbers? Does the country say we are only letting in 21 Methodists, 12 Catholics, 22 Baptists? What happens to those who have no faith or are Jewish?

I listen to the talking heads on television that tell us we must go in with our military to take out ISIS? Then what? I would like to know how many of those young reporters and commentators ever served in the United States Military. Do they know what war is really like? I do not think so. When World War I ended we walked away, which allowed for the rise of the Nazi Party.

So their question is do we leave their country and let the people fight it out for control? That has been tried already in Iraq and we have seen what the results of that were. Everyone says we shouldn't have ever left Iraq but they forget we were asked to leave by the President of Iraq as part of an agreement.

I applaud the first President Bush for not going into Iraq during the Gulf War. He knew what would happen if Saddam was taken out and he was right. Just

because we as Americans do not like a leader does not mean we have to destroy the world. It is not our responsibility to change governments in other countries.

Now, I watch as these governors claim they are protecting their citizens by keeping the refugees out of their states. But in several of those states they already have terrorists living there and they do nothing about the KKK, Skinheads, and the neo-Nazis. They bury their heads in the sand and because of that hate flourishes in those states. If Alabama, Mississippi, Texas, and of course North Carolina want to protect all the citizens of their states, I suggest that they do something about those hate groups.

I remember several years ago driving through Smithfield, NC and a Klan rally was being held right off of the Interstate. They burned their cross and were circled around it and although I could not hear the hatred I could feel it.

If that is what the governors believe is America then we have a bigger problem than refugees. ☆

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Don't forget to save the date for next year's event, November 20, 2016.

