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SATURDAY, MARCH 14
8:30 PM, HOPKINS MANN THEATRE

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A TRIP TO PRAGUE (SHORT)

Director: Neil Ira Needleman | USA, 2008 | 5 minutes | English

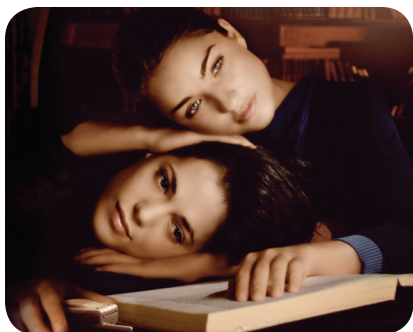
While traveling, a nice Jewish boy meets a nice Jewish couple who want to introduce him to their nice Jewish daughter. A funny, poignant story with a nice Jewish gay-boy ending, *A Trip to Prague* is an animated gem! Juried winner for Best Boys Short at the 2007 Seattle Lesbian & Gay Film Festival.



BERATED WOMAN (SHORT)

Director: Anya Meksin | USA, 2008 | 14 minutes | English

An Orthodox Jewish woman finds herself strangely attracted to the Aryan Supermom bent on converting her to Christianity. Both women want something from the other, but what is each willing to sacrifice to achieve her goals?



THE SECRETS (HASODOT)

Following *A Trip to Prague* and *Berated Woman* Screening
Director: Avi Neshet | Israel, 2007 | 127 minutes | Hebrew and French with English subtitles

Nominated for eight Israeli Academy Awards, *The Secrets* is the story of a devout daughter of an ultra-Orthodox rabbi and her rebellious quest for individuality. Wary of marriage in an insular community, Naomi (Ania Bokstein) convinces her father to send her to an all female Jewish seminary in the Israeli city of Safed, a center of Kabbalistic study. There she befriends a fellow free-spirited student, Michelle (Michal Shtamler). The girls encounter a mysterious, ailing foreigner with a disturbing past (Fanny Ardant). Attempting to purge the woman's sins through mystical rituals, Naomi and Michelle begin a risky journey into forbidden realms. A complex examination of feminism and sexuality in a repressive religious culture, *The Secrets* is directed by the multi-award winning Avi Neshet (*Turn Left at the End of the World*). (Summary courtesy of Atlanta Jewish Film Festival, 2009)

Warning: Mature Content

Film sponsored by the Israel Program Center of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation.

Professor Miri Talmon-Bohm will preview her talk from our closing night film, *Noodle*, and introduce *The Secrets*.

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