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SHALOM TV ANNOUNCES ADDITIONAL FILM DEALS

Shalom TV has inked several new film deals with independent producers and established distributors in presenting Jewish movies and documentaries on cable television.

The network now carries top-quality narrative films on Jewish history and culture from [Seventh Art Releasing](#), including *Make Me a Match* on the modern-day search by American Jewish singles looking for a "catch," and *The Last Jewish Town* featuring the mountain Jews of north Azerbaijan whose descendants live according to Sephardi tradition.



"Especially today, it's important to refine and preserve Jewish identity and culture in America," noted Udy Epstein of Seventh Art.

Only in America, a behind-the-scenes look at US Senator Joseph Lieberman's national campaign for Vice President in 2000; and *The Eternal Road*, a testament to the last German-Jewish generation born in the early twentieth century, are also available on Shalom TV. Both titles are from award-winning producer [Ron Frank](#), a twenty-year veteran of film and television who has worked in Jerusalem for CNN, ABC News, and the Israeli government.



Features and documentaries from Israeli-based [JMT Films](#) are led by *Amnon and Jill*, a 2005 story of a phenomenal deaf-born dancer and his wife; and *Ich Bin Jude! Ich Bin Jude!* on the resistance of Jewish youth movements in France during World War II. Other works include Yoram Sabo's *Olive Press* that shows how Palestinians and Jews partake in the timeless ritual of the olive harvest, and *Jenin Diary* which offers a riveting inside look at a reservist's unit in a time of war.

Igal Hecht of [Chutzpa Productions](#) has reached an accord with Shalom TV for carriage of *Qassam*, filmed in the Israeli border city of Sderot only weeks after two children were killed by Hamas rocket attacks. The documentary investigates what the Gaza Disengagement plan means to people of this low-income city that has been forgotten by the political establishment.



Another work, *Not In My Name*, bronze medalist at the 2005 Warsaw Jewish Film Festival, examines the political Jewish Left Wing community in North America as well as the cloaking of anti-Semitism behind anti-Zionist rhetoric.

"I'm happy to have my films showcased on Shalom TV, and hope the works offer viewers a window into our diverse Jewish world," said Mr. Hecht.

New Shalom TV content agreements also include *Echoes from a Ghost Minyan*, the story of the Philadelphia Jewish community as documented by [Longshore Films](#) principals Joseph Van Blunk and Gustavo Rosario; and emerging filmmaker Ryan Lifchitz's *Under the Rainbow*, a 54-minute piece on young Jews who congregate at a US National Forest every year for the communal Rainbow Gathering.



Shalom TV is a Video On Demand service available on [Comcast](#) and [Blue Ridge](#) cable systems. Comcast customers in the Philadelphia area should call 1-800-COMCAST for information on receiving Shalom TV in the home, with Blue Ridge Communications customers dialing 800-CABLE-77.

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