



10TH LOS ANGELES SEPHARDIC JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

SILENT AUCTION SOLICITATION

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Lights, Camera, Auction!

On Sunday November 14th, 2010 the Sephardic Educational Center presents the 10th Los Angeles Sephardic Jewish Film Festival's Opening Night Gala at Paramount Studios. This year not only marks our 10th Festival bringing movies depicting the Sephardic experience to the Greater Los Angeles community, but it also celebrates the 30th Anniversary of the Sephardic Educational Center, the beneficiary of the proceeds raised by the Festival.

This spectacular event includes a buffet dinner, feature film, a grand **Silent Auction**, and an awards presentation where we are proudly honoring four distinguished individuals for their special contributions to the Sephardic Jewish community, and to the entertainment industry:

Dr. Jose and Freda Nessim are the founders of the Sephardic Educational Center. Their vision has inspired thousands of young people to experience Judaism through the spiritual, intellectual and cultural values of the Sephardic heritage. By founding the SEC in the Old City of Jerusalem, and its many branches throughout the world, they have taken their place in history as preservers of the Sephardic heritage, and as promoters of a moderate, tolerant and attractive form of Judaism. For their unique vision, and in celebration of the 30th anniversary of the SEC, we proudly bestow upon them our highest honor, the *Maimonides Lifetime Achievement Award*.

Michael Benaroya is a talented young producer. His impressive list of credits include the critically acclaimed feature "New York, I Love You," starring Golden Globe winner Natalie Portman, and the upcoming film "The Romantics," featuring an all star cast including Katie Holmes, Anna Paquin, Josh Duhamel and Elijah Wood. Michael is a product of the Rhodes-Sephardic community of Seattle, Washington, and his family is a prominent supporter of Sephardic, Jewish and Civic causes. We are proud to bestow upon him the *2010 Cinema Sepharad Award*.

Emmanuelle Chriqui is one of Hollywood's most recognizable faces. A talented young and beautiful actress, her impressive list of credits include a feature role as Sloan on the HBO hit show "Entourage," and a starring role opposite Adam Sandler in "You Don't Mess With the Zohan." She also starred in the movie "Adam and Eve" and in "100 Girls," which garnered her a best actress nomination for a DVD Exclusive Award. She was raised in the Moroccan Sephardic community of Montreal, Canada. We are proud to bestow upon her the *2010 Cinema Sepharad Award*.

We offer you the opportunity to support our efforts by donating to our Silent Auction. The Sephardic Educational Center is a non-profit 503 (a) 1 organization and we will provide you with an appropriate receipt for your tax-deductible donation. Our Tax ID is #95-4821608.

We look forward to your participation, your support is greatly appreciated!