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See You at the Movies This Fall

The Charlotte Jewish Film Festival continues its mission of bringing you films that make you laugh, cry, think, and feel with their exciting 2015 FallFlicks' lineup:

Sunday, October 11 – 1 PM

The Outrageous Sophie Tucker is the rags to riches story about one of old time showbiz's biggest stars. Nicknamed "The Last of the Red Hot Mamas," Sophie's



bawdy, brash, risqué attitude and songs paved the way for performers such as Mae West, Marilyn Monroe, Bette Midler, Cher, Madonna, Lady Gaga, and Beyoncé. Off stage/camera, this larger than life personality was equally as fascinating. "Sophie was like the Forrest Gump of the first half of the 1900s," says film co-producer Susan Ecker. "She was close friends with seven U.S.



presidents, King George VI, young Queen Elizabeth, Charlie Chaplin, J. Edgar Hoover (who once asked to borrow one of her dresses), Al Capone, Judy Garland, Jerry Lewis, Frank Sinatra, and every other notable of her era."

Producers Susan and Lloyd Ecker are scheduled to appear.

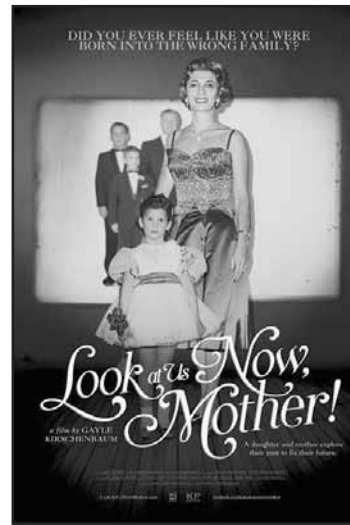
Sunday, October 18 – 1 PM

The Farewell Party tackles an extremely sensitive issue in a vibrant and unique way as five friends at a Jerusalem retirement home struggle with their decision to help terminally ill patients take control of their own fates. In the press release for the film, co-directors Sharon Maymon and Tal Granit noted, "In our movies, we try to deal with contemporary social issues which are often controversial. We try to break the

emotional drama with absurd and comic elements. We feel this makes these difficult and important topics more accessible to our audience, and hopefully, as in life, they will laugh as they wipe away their tears."

Sunday, November 1 - 1 PM

Look at Us Now, Mother! is a deeply personal film from director Gayle Kirschenbaum as she explores and tries to repair the extremely damaged relationship that she has with her mom Mildred. What emerges is a uniquely cinematic family study with humor and pathos in the midst of conflicts and affections that bind family members together. "This is the most complicated and emotionally charged film I have ever done and the most important," commented Gayle. "This is my story but it also could be your story; laugh a little, cry a little and dis-



cover that forgiveness is possible even when it seems unlikely."

Gayle and Mildred Kirschenbaum are scheduled to appear.

Please see ad on page 34 and visit charlottejewishfilm.com for additional details and to purchase tickets.



Tickets will also be sold in the lobby of the Levine JCC on Sunday, September 27, from 10 AM–2 PM. ☆

Hadassah's Annual Celebrate the Tatas Announces the "little" Reveal

With sparkles, paint, laughter, and mammography, Celebrate the TaTas will again be saving lives. The Breast Cancer Fundraiser will be sharing its message this year at a more intimate venue in October. The conversation remains the same: raise funds for research so that one day our daughters don't have to worry about this terrible disease.

Celebrate the TaTas is a unique Hadassah breast cancer initiative designed to empower, educate and raise funds for breast cancer research.

In its fourth year, Charlotte's Celebrate the TaTas invites women (21 years and older) to participate. We offer a few important things: an opportunity to have your Tatas turned into a beautiful tapestry, and perhaps even more

importantly, an opportunity to receive a mammogram. Due to a generous grant by The Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte, uninsured women can receive a life-saving mammogram. A huge thank you to Charlotte Radiology, Mecklenburg Radiology Associates, and Novant Health for making the mammograms a reality and for saving at least two lives last year. Insurance accepted. Appointments recommended. To make an appointment, please contact Lorrie Klemons at 704-944-6880 or jcc-nurse@charlottejcc.org.

New this year:

On Thursday, October 8, Celebrate the TaTas is hosting the "little" Reveal at Dressler's from 12:30-3 PM. Don't let the name fool you, the "little" reveal is anything but small. This year, Cele-



brate the TaTas is paying tribute to the artists and photographers that bring paint, sparkles, and much joy to the program.

Some of the highlights of the luncheon include: The TaTas tap-

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