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On January 12, the 2015-2016 Aventura Foreign Film Series Continues with the Critically Acclaimed *About Elly*

AVENTURA, Fla. – The 2015-2016 Aventura Foreign Film Series continues with Iranian psychological drama *About Elly* on Tuesday, January 12 at 7 p.m. at Aventura Arts & Cultural Center. The fourth film by award-winning director Asghar Farhadi centers on a group of old college friends who reunite for a weekend by the Caspian Sea.

The hope is that Elly, who teaches one couple's daughter and accompanies them on the trip, will hit it off with newly divorced Ahmad, who is searching for an Iranian bride. However, compounding lies and deception soon plunge everyone into a complex mystery when Elly goes missing.

"About Elly both clutches us tight and shuts us out, adding wave upon wave of secrets and lies," wrote Anthony Lane from *The New Yorker*.

David Edelstein from *New York Magazine* penned, "Asghar Farhadi's *About Elly* is suspenseful, visually masterful, and, on its own terms, perfect."

Shelly Isaacs, founder/programmer and commentator for South Florida's popular Café Cinematheque International programs, will introduce the film and lead a post-screening discussion.

About Elly is presented in Persian and German with English subtitles.

Tickets for individual screenings are \$11. All screenings are general admission and the auditorium opens for seating 30 minutes prior to the start time. Other films in the series include *Phoenix* (February 9), *The Dinner* (March 1) and *Living Is Easy with Eyes Closed* (March 29).

Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Aventura Arts & Cultural Center and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at aventuracenter.org; by phone

at 877-311-7469; in person at Ticketmaster outlets or at the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center box office Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. and 90 minutes prior to each performance. Know who you are buying from when you purchase tickets. We CANNOT PROVIDE REFUNDS OR CUSTOMER SERVICE for tickets purchased from unauthorized sites, brokers or secondary ticket sellers. For Group Sales, please call 954-660-6307.

The Broward Center for the Performing Arts manages the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center, a 14,864-square-foot, 330-seat waterfront complex that hosts performing arts, cultural and educational programming for all ages. The Aventura Arts & Cultural Center is located at 3385 N.E. 188 Street in Aventura. Join the conversation on Twitter at #aventuracenter.

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