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## THE 2016-2017 AVENTURA FOREIGN FILM SERIES CONTINUES WITH ONCE IN A LIFETIME

AVENTURA, Fla. – Winner of the Audience Award at the 2015 Santa Barbara International Film Festival and Best Film at the 2015 Toronto Jewish Film Festival, *Once in a Lifetime* will be screened on Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. at Aventura Arts & Cultural Center.

Based on a true story, this heartwarming film chronicles a dedicated teacher's plight to get her toughest, most challenging students at a diversely populated inner-city school in Paris to cooperate on a collective project for a national high school competition. The project's theme centers on what it meant to be a teenager in a Nazi concentration camp and through their work together, the students garner an entirely new understanding of each other that completely impacts their lives.

"A hopeful film and a tribute to the nobility of teachers' dedication," reviewed *Le Parisien* and from *The Hollywood Reporter*, "The reactions of the students reveal how the holocaust still resonates on faces far removed from its horrors."

Host 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.

Presented in French with English subtitles, tickets for *Once in a Lifetime* 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 *Our Little Sister* (Nov. 22), *Mia Madre* (Jan. 3), *In Harmony* (Feb. 7), *Rams* (March 7), *Sweet Bean* (April 4) and *The Brand New Testament* (May 2).

Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Aventura Arts & Cultural Center and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at <a href="mailto:aventuracenter.org">aventuracenter.org</a>; 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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