

Liberal Judaism Film Club at the Montagu Centre

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The Lost Embrace

Liberal Judaism Film Club is a relaxed evening where everyone is welcome to come and watch a film in a comfortable setting. Drinks, popcorn and pretzels will be provided. Films are shown on a 50" screen and are followed by an informal discussion.

Wednesday 28 March, 2007

Time: 7.15 for 7.30pm screening (finishing 9:30pm).

Cost: £4, of which £2 will be donated to HelpArgentina.

Additional donations gratefully accepted.

Even by Argentina's current high standards, 32-year-old writer-director Daniel Burman is both prolific and prodigiously talented. In this, his fourth feature, he returns to the downtown Buenos Aires milieu of his second feature, *Waiting for the Messiah* (*Esperando al mesias*). This is Ariel's world, a slightly seedy shopping centre where his Jewish family own a lingerie shop, part of an immigrant community that includes Koreans, Italians, Peruvians and more. Despite his determination to secure a Polish passport so that he can go to Europe and start a new life, Ariel is aimless and more than a little self absorbed. But his lack of direction is rooted in something quite specific: his father left for Israel to fight the Yom Kippur War in the 70s, and never returned. Ariel wants to understand why, and also why his mother and his brother seem indifferent to this. Shot in a quasi documentary style, *Lost Embrace* is beautifully written and performed, with a good deal of nicely observed comedy and a subtle and gently philosophical tone. Astutely, Burman works again with lead actor Daniel Hendler, who received the Best Actor award in the Berlin Film Festival, where the film itself was awarded the Jury Grand Prix.



There's no need to book but we would love to know you're coming.
Please call Elvira Museri on 020 7631 9835 or email e.museri@liberaljudaism.org.

Liberal Judaism Social Action has chosen to support HelpArgentina, a charity that cares for the needs of people affected by the recent financial crisis in Argentina. This particular Liberal Judaism Film Club evening is a special edition, forming part of a programme of events designed to raise funds for HelpArgentina. To read more, go to www.liberaljudaism.org/HelpArgentina.