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**Presenting the inaugural event of  
Film Collection 2006  
Benefiting the Daniel Pearl Foundation.  
IFC Center, New York  
Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> Screenings held at 7.00pm &  
9.15pm**

NEW YORK-Topaz Adizes presents Film Collection 2006 at the IFC center. An annual screening event committed to exposing new films by emerging filmmakers and raising awareness and funds for non-profit organizations. 2006 is the inaugural year for this event and it is donating all proceeds to the Daniel Pearl foundation. ([www.danielpearl.org](http://www.danielpearl.org)) The Daniel Pearl Foundation was formed in memory of journalist Daniel Pearl to further the ideals that inspired Daniel's life and work. The foundation's mission is to promote cross-cultural understanding through journalism, music, and innovative communications.

The screening will premier excerpts from four feature documentaries and one short film. Each film illuminates cross cultural social and political issues, ranging from Israeli Arab relations to poverty in Jersey city, bringing awareness to the young multi-cultural and racial audience. The filmmakers represent the up and coming talent in New York. Prevalent humanitarian issues are brought to the foreground through these strong films and a cause worthy charity. In addition to the films, a representative from the Daniel Pearl foundation will speak at the event. A question and answer session with the filmmakers will occur after the screening and in between screenings at the adjoining IFC center café.

**Listings Information:**

Film Collection 2006 Benefiting the Daniel Pearl Foundation

A screening event of new films from emerging filmmakers.

IFC Center, New York City

Thursday, March 2, 2006,

Screenings at: 7:00 & 9.15 pm

Tickets:\$18.00 online or at box office. \$23.00 the day of event.

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To purchase tickets and for additional information on the event and the films, please visit our website at [www.filmcollection2006.com](http://www.filmcollection2006.com) or contact Mia Kirn-Slaboszewicz at [contact@filmcollection2006.com](mailto:contact@filmcollection2006.com)

List of Films:

**SONS OF SAKHNIN**

Feature documentary

Directed by Chris Browne

A ramshackle soccer team from an Arab village in Israel, made up of both Arabs and Jews, defies the odds in its struggle to survive and prove that sport can succeed where politicians have so far failed.

**AUTUMN'S EYES**

Feature documentary

Directed by Paola Mendoza and Gabriel Noble

A feature documentary seen from the perspective of a beautiful three year-old girl as she tries to navigate the harsh realities of severe poverty, her teenage mother's incarceration, and looming foster care. With the camera placed at Autumn's eye level, this impressionable time in a child's life is captured first hand, and asks the greater societal question: is there truly hope for a child growing up in these circumstances?

**CITY**

Short film

Directed by Topaz Adizes

In New York City you can have anything, and anything can have you. A physical battleground, a spiritual battleground, an emotional battleground, this city has many stories; short vignettes of the battles waged here.

**BREACHED LEVEES: VOICES FROM THE N.O.**

Feature documentary

Directed by Brad Young

Two weeks after Hurricane Katrina ripped through the Gulf Coast of the Southern United States, two activists and a filmmaker traveled to the city of New Orleans, Louisiana to find voices of reason from "The Big Easy". And amidst the desolation and chaos that permeated the consciousness of America and the world, Rosa Clemente, King Downing, and Bradford Young witnessed the resilience of the human spirit as the people of New Orleans told their version of the story."

**UNSETTLED**

Feature documentary

Directed by Adam Hootnick

Israel's largest military operation in a generation was conducted against its own citizens. For six young Israelis ordered to abandon their homes or evict their neighbors, the withdrawal from Gaza challenged everything they believed about their country, their religion—and their future.