#### Harbour of Hope press release. For immediate release

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# HARBOUR OF HOPE IN SAN FRANCISCO



July 2012. Malmö, Sweden.

After receiving a Special Jury Mention at Krakow Film Festival Harbour of Hope is now continuing the tour of international festival screenings. Next stop is San Francisco where the film is selected for the San Francisco Jewish Film Festival.

Following the US-premiere of Harbour of Hope in Minneapolis, the hometown of protagonist Joe Rozenberg, the film is now moving on to further screenings in the US. Harbour of Hope has been selected for the world's first and largest Jewish film festival, The San Francisco Jewish Film Festival. Besides San Francisco the festival also run screenings in three other Bay Area cities in late July and early August.

Harbour of Hope will be screening three times at the San Francisco Jewish Film Festival. Director Magnus Gertten will be present for all three screenings to talk about his work with the film and the many touching stories he has come across during the extensive research and making of Harbour of Hope.

The screenings of Harbour of Hope at San Francisco Jewish Film Festival are: Thursday, July 26 at 11:10 AM. Castro Theatre Monday, July 30 at 12:00 PM. Roda Theatre Tuesday, July 31 at 1:30 PM. Cinearts at Palo Alto Square

Here you can see further details about the screenings and buy tickets: <a href="http://prod3.agileticketing.net/WebSales/pages/Info.aspx?epguid=1b480240-2738-4c73-be1f-483c23114bbf&evtInfo=36463%7Ecb15eca8-60ee-4994-aed0-3a80721900eb">http://prod3.agileticketing.net/WebSales/pages/Info.aspx?epguid=1b480240-2738-4c73-be1f-483c23114bbf&evtInfo=36463%7Ecb15eca8-60ee-4994-aed0-3a80721900eb</a>

## **About Harbour of Hope**

Harbour of Hope is a heartbreaking, but life-affirming documentary about the beyond belief life stories of Irene Krausz-Fainman, Ewa Kabacinska Jansson and Joe Rozenberg. In 1945 they were among the 30.000 survivors that were rescued from German concentration camps and brought to the peaceful harbour town of Malmö, Sweden. There life began again.

Coming to Sweden in 1945 is a defining moment in the lives of Irene, Ewa and Joe. In Harbour of Hope they reveal their stories – from the complicated moments of freedom to the mysteries and questions still haunting them today.

...the film is so well mastered and captures your interest from start till end... Harbour of Hope review by Danish film critic Tue Steen Müller

To stay updated you can follow the Harbour of Hope Facebook page **www.facebook.com/HarbourOfHope** 

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Further information on the film is also available at the Harbour of Hope web site: www.harbourofhope.com

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## **Interview opportunity with Harbour of Hope Director Magnus Gertten**

Director Magnus Gertten will be available for interviews during the San Francisco Jewish Film Festival. He will arrive in San Francisco on July 25 and will be present for all three festival screenings of the film.

To book an interview with Magnus Gertten please get in contact with: Ove Rishøj Jensen
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Additional information on Harbour of Hope
Press material on Harbour of Hope is available here
<a href="http://www.autoimages.se/press/harbour\_of\_hope\_press/">http://www.autoimages.se/press/harbour\_of\_hope\_press/</a>

Link to the San Francisco Jewish Film Festival <a href="http://www.sfjff.org">http://www.sfjff.org</a>

Background information on the historical aspects of Harbour of Hope can be found here:

Many of the survivors coming to Malmö were rescued by the Red Cross mission labelled 'White Buses'. Here is information on the mission at Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/White Buses

Swedish Red Cross report on the white buses (in Swedish): <a href="http://www.redcross.se/om-oss/historik/vita-bussarna/">http://www.redcross.se/om-oss/historik/vita-bussarna/</a>

Wikipedia article on Folke Bernadotte, vice-president of the Swedish Red Cross during WWII and leading figure in the White Buses operation: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Folke Bernadotte