

Harbour of Hope press release. For immediate release

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A FILM BY MAGNUS GERTTEN
**HARBOUR
OF HOPE**

Harbour of Hope survivors return to Malmö



August 30, 2011. Malmö, Sweden.

In Spring 1945 close to 30.000 concentration camp survivors were rescued to the harbour in Malmö. Now the survivors portrayed in Harbour of Hope return to Malmö, where they experienced the moment of liberation 66 years ago. The survivors will re-unite with the other main characters in Harbour of Hope as well as some of the Red Cross volunteers from the 1945 help operation. Auto Images is proud to launch a special gala screening of Harbour of Hope dedicated to the main characters in the film.

On August 31, 2011 all five protagonists from Harbour of Hope will return to the very same city where life began again 66 years ago. Besides meeting each other they will also be greeted by Malmö citizens taking part in the 1945 Red Cross help operation.

To pay tribute to the WWII survivor heroes portrayed in Harbour of Hope, Auto Images has the great honour of hosting a gala screening of the film for them. The screening will be hosted in collaboration with The City of Malmö. The survivors and those who helped them will be honoured during the screening with the presence of Prins Carl Philip.

The special gala screening honouring the Harbour of Hope survivors will take place on August 31 at 7pm at the Biografen Spegeln, Stortorget 29, Malmö.

About Harbour of Hope

In Spring 1945 Red Cross liberated thousands of concentration camp survivors and rescued them to the Malmö Harbour, Sweden. Among the thousands of survivors brought to Malmö were Irene Krausz-Fainman, Ewa Kabacinska Jansson and Joe Rozenberg, the protagonists in the documentary Harbour of Hope. Together with the Red Cross voluntary Stig Kinnhagen and Malmö citizen Bo Fröberg they are telling the amazing story of how The City of Malmö mobilized to take care of the survivors and helped save thousands of lives. In unique archive footage we see 10 year-old Irene at the harbour taking her first shaky steps in freedom. We see newborn Ewa carried from the boat by her mother. And we meet Joe, who arrived as a lonely child without his family. In Harbour of Hope they tell their amazing stories from the moment of liberation to the unsolved mysteries in present time. A film about dealing with war memories, the importance of a helping hand and finding a "harbour of hope".

Here you can see the **[Harbour of Hope trailer](#)**

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To stay updated on the progress of the film you can follow the Harbour of Hope Facebook page [**http://www.facebook.com/HarbourOfHope**](http://www.facebook.com/HarbourOfHope)

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Note to editors

Harbour of Hope interview and photo opportunity

The main characters from Harbour of Hope and Director Magnus Gertten will be available for interviews on Wednesday, August 31, 2011 from 14:00 to 16:00 at the Hotel Nobel House in Malmö, Sweden.

It will also be possible to take pictures photos and record video at the gala screening starting on Wednesday, August 31, 2011 at 7:00pm. It takes place at Biografen Spegeln, Stortorget 29, Malmö, Sweden. At the screening Prins Carl Philip will be present.

Press material on Harbour of Hope is available here
http://www.autoimages.se/press/harbour_of_hope_press/

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

White Busses on Wikipedia:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/White_Buses

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

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

Other relevant links:

Further information on the city of Malmö can be found here:
<http://www.malmo.se/english>

Further information about Prins Carl Philip can be found on the web site of the Swedish Royal Family here:
<http://www.kungahuset.se/kungafamiljen/hkhprinscarlphilip.4.187e1841020141a4c88000227.html>