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# Prins Carl Philip and Auto Images honour Harbour of Hope survivors



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Auto Images is proud to launch a special gala screening of Harbour of Hope dedicated to the WWII concentration camp survivors portrayed in the film. They will return to the Malmö Harbour, where they started life again in Spring 1945. While in Malmö they will be honoured with a special screening of the film attended by Prins Carl Philip.

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.

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 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 1945 Irene, Ewa and Joe were among the nearly 30,000 survivors rescued by from German concentration camps to the peaceful harbour town Malmö. Here they started life again. 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

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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 <a href="http://www.facebook.com/HarbourOfHope">http://www.facebook.com/HarbourOfHope</a>

The Harbour of Hope world premiere is expected in the Fall 2011. Harbour of Hope is directed by Magnus Gertten and produced by Lennart Ström for Auto Images. To stay updated on the progress of the film you can follow the Harbour of Hope Facebook page: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/HarbourOfHope">http://www.facebook.com/HarbourOfHope</a>

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Notes for editors and journalists:

The Harbour of Hope gala screening is a closed event by invitation only. No tickets can be obtained for the screening at this point.

Preview DVDs of Harbour of Hope for reviews will be available later on in 2011, when the film is having its cinema premier in Sweden as well as its International World Premier.

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): <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 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.4.187e184102014 1a4c88000227.html