Jewish National Fund

INVITES YOU TO A SCREENING OF

EXODUS 1947

Directed By: Elizabeth Rogers & Robby Henson

Thursday, November 12, 2015 • 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Tolerance Education Center

35147 Landy Lane • Rancho Mirage, CA 92740

Guest Speaker: Robert F. Sylk, Tree of Life™ Recipient & JNF Board Member

Harry S. Sylk, Robert's father, is credited with purchasing the ship that launched a nation – the Exodus 1947.

Tickets: \$15 per person. Limited number of tickets are available.

RSVP by November 6 to Stacey Lewis at slewis@jnf.org or 760.864.6208 x964.

About the movie: After World War II, a group of private American citizens banded together in a clandestine effort to transport Holocaust survivors to Palestine. On July 11, 1947, in the port of Sête, France, 4,500 Jewish refugees were crammed into the hull of a decrepit steamship, later named *Exodus 1947*. A British blockade intercepted *Exodus 1947* in international waters off the coast of Palestine. The tense standoff culminated in a direct attack by military personnel against the unarmed civilians on the *Exodus 1947*. This highly publicized international incident heavily influenced the United Nations resolution authorizing the partitioning of Palestine into separate Jewish and Arab states. Thus, the *Exodus 1947* voyage acted as a catalyst in forming a new nation. The program focuses on clandestine and illegal American efforts to finance and crew the most infamous of ten American ships that attempted to bring Jewish refugees to Palestine.

EXODUS 1947 is a one hour documentary narrated by Morley Safer with a score by Ilan Rechtman. The film is a richly layered program, recalling the events that shaped world history.

