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**Mai Masri's *33 Days* Premieres In  
Toronto**

**Event:** The Toronto premiere of Mai Masri's acclaimed film *33 Days* will screen as a benefit for the Toronto Palestine Film Festival (TPFF)

**Date:** Saturday, July 12, 2008 at 7pm

**Where:** The Bloor Cinema, 506 Bloor Street West  
(Bathurst Street Subway)  
Cinema phone: 416-516-2331

**Who:** Hosted by the Toronto Palestine Film Festival  
Sponsored by the Ontario Arts Council, the Toronto Arts Council and Palestine House

*33 Days* is a documentary about life in Lebanon as it was being bombarded by Israel in July and August 2006. Award-winning Palestinian filmmaker Mai Masri follows the efforts of several dedicated humanitarians to keep their communities strong in the midst of destruction: from a woman reporting from the rubble as rockets jet past her, to a young man who keeps the neighborhood children entertained with improvised games in a local theatre as bombs fall in the distance. The film is suffused with compassion and humanity — even as it records the devastation of war.

The Toronto Palestine Film Festival was conceived by Palestine House, a Palestinian educational and cultural centre. TPFF evolved out of series of successful screenings of Palestine-themed films held over the past year in Toronto. For more information on the Festival or the benefit screening of *33 Days*, please visit [www.tpff.ca](http://www.tpff.ca).