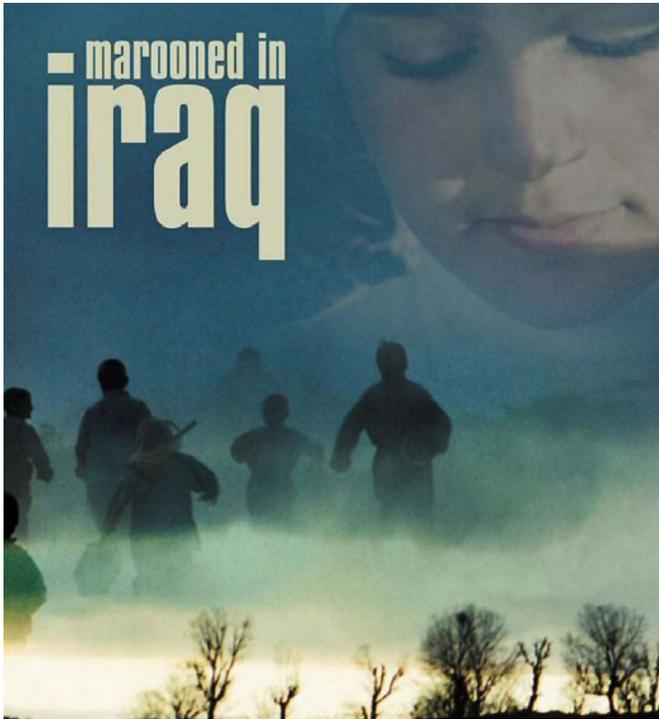


INTERCULTURAL MOVIE & DINNER

Alif Institute is pleased to invite you to an Intercultural Movie & Dinner night.



Marooned in Iraq

Friday December 19, 2014

7:00 pm: Dinner
7:45 pm: Movie begins
Discussion to follow movie.

Dinner (with RSVP):
\$18 per person or \$15 for Alif members.
(Vegetarian option will be available.)

*Please RSVP by Thursday, December 18
to 770-936-8770, or info@alifinstitute.org.*

Marooned in Iraq—2002 Directed by Bahman Ghobadi

During the Iran-Iraq war, an aging Iranian-Kurd musician hears that his wife, a singer with a magical voice who deserted him for his best friend and fled to Iraq, is in trouble. He cons his two sons into accompanying him on the search for her, and they embark on an adventure filled with music, romance and danger. Acclaimed Iranian director Bahman Ghobadi's award-winning film uses humor and wit to dramatize the plight of the Kurdish people.

Discussion led by Mr. Benjamin Kweskin:

Benjamin Kweskin has been studying and researching the Middle East and International Affairs for over fifteen years and has traveled extensively throughout the Middle East and North Africa. Holding two Master's Degrees in International Relations (University of Denver, 2008) and Political Science (Georgia State University, 2013) he has published several articles in well-respected news outlets including Kurdish Policy Foundation, Rudaw English and the Jerusalem Post.

Kweskin lived in Iraqi Kurdistan in the Region's capital, Erbil (2013-2014) as a teacher, lecturer, researcher, writer, and occasional tour guide and is currently involved with an international audio/visual project that helps sustain Kurdish culture and history for future generations as well as the outside world. Former Programming Coordinator for Documenting Kurdish Genocide (DKG), he is currently developing, researching, and writing on over one hundred tourist sites for the official Kurdistan Regional Government Tour Guide, set to be published in 2015.



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