

É Tudo Verdade It's All True

FESTIVAL INTERNACIONAL DE DOCUMENTÁRIOS
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AVI MOGRABI TO ATTEND 2009 IT'S ALL TRUE

Israeli doc maker is coming to Brazil in March as a special guest to the Festival

The internationally acclaimed Israeli documentary filmmaker, Avi Mograbi, is the first special guest confirmed to attend the 14th edition of **It's All True – International Documentary Film Festival**, which happens between March 25 and April 5 in Brazil. As a director of markedly autobiographical films that are clearly anti-military, Mograbi will appear at an hors concours screening of his latest film, *Z32*. The documentary premiered in a special screening at the Venice Film Festival last year.

Winner of the **It's All True** international competition in 2002 with his doc *August – A Moment Before Eruption*, Mograbi is one of the most original contemporary independent filmmakers. "His films combine humor, politics and testimonials and are a crossbreed between the performance and militant documentary," explains Amir Labaki, **It's All True** founder and director.

Born in Israel in 1956, Mograbi is coming to Brazil for the first time as a guest of the Festival and Hebraica Club with talks and debates scheduled for São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. Mograbi will also talk about his filmmaking career in the closing round table of the 9th International Documentary Conference to be held between April 1st and 3rd. The Conference is part of **It's All True** in São Paulo and is organized through a partnership with Cinusp and Sesc-SP. Highlights of Mograbi's filmography will be screened simultaneously at Cinusp.

Z32 captures the vivid impressions of an Israeli soldier after shooting Palestinian police officers. To preserve the soldier's identity, Mograbi hides his face behind a digital mask. In this doc, the filmmaker becomes an amateur singer to convey his own reflections.

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Avi Mograbi's Filmography

- Deportation (1989, short)
- The Reconstruction (1994)
- How I Learned to Overcome My Fear and Love Arik Sharon (1997)
- Happy Birthday, Mr. Mograbi (1999)
- August – A Moment Before Eruption (2002) – Awarded at 2002 **It's All True**.
- Wait, It's the Soldiers, I Have to Hang Up Now (2002, short)
- Detail (2004, short)
- Avenge But One of My Two Eyes (2005) – special screening at 2006 **It's All True**
- Z32 (2008) – special screening at 2009 **It's All True**

2009 It's All True - 14th International Documentary Film Festival

March 25-April 5 São Paulo

March 26-April 5 Rio de Janeiro

Other Brazilian cities to be confirmed

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