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### **A Visionary and an Inspiration**

A new Israeli film, Rama Lindheim-Hadassah Visionary, tells the exceptional life story of Irma "Rama" Lindheim, who served as the 3rd national president of Hadassah from 1926 to 1928. Produced and directed by Yael Katzir, the film premiered at the Haifa International Film Festival in October 2006 and has had a series of special screenings at various cinemas across Israel. It has also been shown on Israeli television and at numerous kibbutzim and conferences around the world.

Lindheim's story spans nearly a century. Her life shows how the monumental events unfolding at the time affected one woman, and how she in turn took an active role in those events. She held leadership positions in numerous Zionist organizations, both in the United States and Israel.

"I believe in putting women back on the map," said Katzir, explaining her motivation for making the film. "Rama Lindheim is a fascinating woman, a role model and a mirror of a whole era. Her Zionism, her dedication to the cause and her contribution in every domain that she had touched made me follow her life story and do my best to share what I learned in an artistic form."

The film includes archival footage shot by Lindheim and her husband, Norvin, both in the United States and in Israel in the 1930's. It also includes rare footage of Hadassah and Kibbutz Mishmar Ha'emek, where Lindheim lived for 40 years after her husband's death.

To purchase the English version of the DVD, e-mail [katmar@gmail.com](mailto:katmar@gmail.com).