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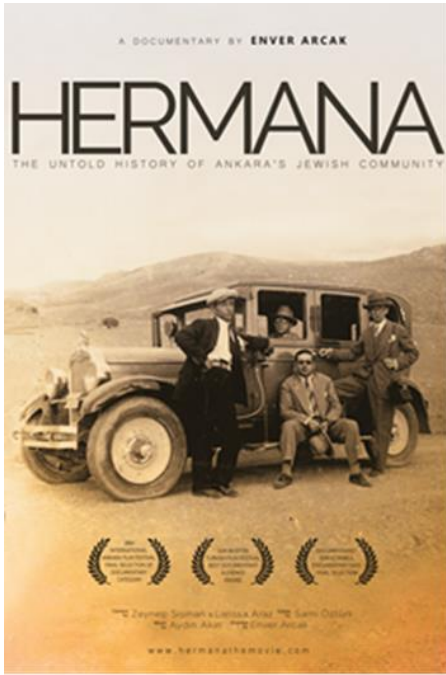
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## The Untold History of Ankara's Jewish Community

by

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Special Screening, Santral İstanbul, Bilgi University, April 2018

Special Screening, Faculty of Communication, Ankara University, April 2018

17th Boston Turkish Film Festival, Screening: The Best Documentary Audience Award, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston April 2018

Special Screening, 3rd Short Film Festival, İstanbul Short Film Collective, March 2018

12th Boston Turkish Film Festival Documentary & Short Film Competition, The Best Documentary Audience Award, November 2017

European Days of Jewish Culture, İstanbul The Quincentennial Foundation Museum of Turkish Jews, November 2017

Documentarist, 10th İstanbul Documentary Days, Final Selection, June 2017

Special Screening, SALT Galata İstanbul, May 2017  
Ankara International Film Festival, Final Selection of Documentary Category, April 2017

**Wednesday, June 6, 2018 7:00 p.m.**

*Reşat Aktan Lounge at*

**Turkish American Association/Türk Amerikan Derneği**

Cinnah Caddesi No:20 Kavaklıdere, Ankara

The origins of one of the earliest known Jewish communities in Anatolia, which was located in Ankara, date back to the 2nd century BC. Initially formed in the Roman era, the numbers of the community increased with the Sephardic migrations in the 15th century and reached a peak in the first half of the 20th century. This documentary traces the development of the community from the Hellenistic through the Ottoman periods with particular focus on the previously untold social and economic dynamics in the 20th century through interviews with individuals who have migrated from Ankara to Istanbul and to various cities in Israel. As such, this documentary feature stands out as a precursor in research and recording on this very topic.