CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY PRESENTS

"On the Bride's Side"

Following the film, professors Dr. Hussam S. Timani and Dr. Andria Timmer will lead a panel discussion, in addition to a video Q&A with film director Gabriele Del Grande.

MARCH 22 AT 5 P.M. MCMURRAN 101

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

THIS IS AN APPROVED PASSPORT AND HONORS EVENT.



A Palestinian poet and an Italian journalist meet five Palestinians and Syrians in Milan who entered Europe via the Italian island of Lampedusa after fleeing the war in Syria. The two decide to help them complete their journey to Sweden – and hopefully avoid getting arrested as traffickers – by faking a wedding. With a Palestinian friend dressed as the bride and a dozen or so Italian and Syrian friends as wedding guests, they cross halfway over Europe on a four-day journey that not only highlights the hopes and dreams of these Palestinians and Syrians and their rather special traffickers, but reveals an unknown side of Europe – a transnational, supportive, irreverent Europe that ridicules laws and restrictions in a masquerade that is no other than the direct filming of something that actually took place in 2013.

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