

FILM NIGHT: MENASHE

May 23, 2023

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This documentary will be screened on Thursday, May 25th at 7pm on Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89525849483> (Meeting ID: 895 2584 9483)



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The director, Joshua Weinstein will be present for a Q&A after the screening. He has been a Coop member on and off since 2008 and is in awe of people who have member numbers in the double digits!

To be added to our email Listserve for future screening announcements, please send a request to jllymiller@me.com.

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