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WGVU presents Independent Cinema at the UICA Series Continues on February 3 with *Arusi Persian Wedding*

(Grand Rapids, MI, January 28, 2009) On Tuesday, February 3 at 7 p.m., WGVU continues the Independent Cinema series at the Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts with the film *Arusi Persian Wedding*. A discussion will follow with local panelists, including Jim Goode with Grand Valley State University's Middle Eastern Studies program and local businessman Ali Ghebleh.

Alex and Heather wanted a traditional wedding in a warm, far-off location. But they didn't choose the Caribbean. Set against the turbulent relationship between U.S. and Iran, Iranian-American filmmaker Marjan Tehrani captures the couple's struggle and excitement as they plan a Persian Islamic wedding in Iran. But when Alex's Iranian-born parents and Heather's conservative American father meet for the first time, cultures clash and test the couple to their limits.

This screening event is part of the ITVS Community Cinema program. The film will also air on Tuesday, March 17 at 10 p.m. on WGVU HD as part of the PBS series *Independent Lens*.

Free screenings of *Independent Lens* films are held the first Tuesday of every month. For more on the Independent Cinema series, including upcoming dates and films, visit wgvu.org/cinema or myspace.com/independentcinemagr.

WGVU's continued mission is to provide educational, informative, and entertaining programs and events to the West Michigan community as a service of Grand Valley State University.

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