



Joy Rieger

Maor Schwitzer

Yadin Gellman

# ARUGAM BAY

A film by Marco Carmel





# General information

**Main cast** Maor Schwitzer, Joy Reiger, Yadin Gellman, Mira Tzur.

**Director** Marco Carmel.

**Producers** Chilik Michaeli, Avraham Pirchi (UCM),  
Leon Edry, Moshe Edry (United King Films), Aharon Sade, Jeffery Hecktman.

**Executive producer** Mira Tzur (One Circle Productions).

**Writers** Marco Carmel, Mor Polanuer.

**DOP** Saar Mizrahi.

**Genre** Road Movie, Drama.

**Runtime** 97 minutes.

**Year of production** 2023.

**Countries of production** Israel, Sri Lanka.

**Languages** Hebrew, English.

**Sales agent** UCM, OCP.

**Aspect ratio** 2:4:1.

**Screening format** DCP.





On a post military service trip to a tropical paradise, three Israeli commando soldiers, faced repetitive combat memories that threaten to shatter their friendship, loyalty and consequently sanity.

## Synopsis

On a post military service trip, Michael, Gal and Kim headed to the tropical island - Arugam Bay in Sri Lanka.

Although such paradise offers; epic surfing waves, new age parties & stunning landscape, for these three Israelis, the trip turned into an unveiling experience of their suppressed battlefield memories. They come to terms with the death of their childhood friend, army commander & Kim's late boyfriend -Yuval who promised to take Kim to Srilanka after his military service completion.

As their journey progress, they encounter diverse experiences with some of the locals; two prominent Iranian surfers, an American woman Brooke who introduces them to psychedelics drugs and other interesting characters. The Psychedelics journey ignited a deeper confrontation with their inner demons and lingering ptsd.

In the end, the beauty of Arugam Bay unleashed buried scars & battlefield suppressed memories, putting their friendship, loyalty & sanity to test.



# Cast

## Maor Schwitzer,

### Selected work

**Feature-** Matchmaking (2022),  
Land Of Little People (2015), Valley (2014).

**Television** -Red Skies (2023),  
Valley Of Tears (2020), Shtisel (2013-2015).



## Joy Reiger

### Selected work

**Feature-** Image if Victory (2021)  
Relocation (2021), The Other Story (2018),  
Past Life (2016).

**Television** -Aviram Katz (2023),  
Valley Of Tears (2020).

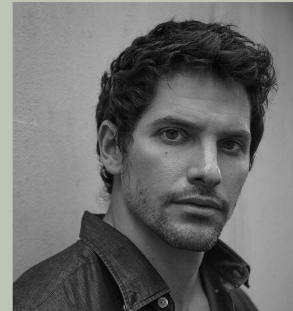


## Yadin Gellman

### Selected work

**Feature-** Image if Victory (2021).  
Victory (2023).

**Television-**  
Ne'elamim (2021).  
Palmach (2021).



## Mira Tzur

### Selected work

**Feature-** Hardly Waiting (2017) My Father My Don (2015)  
The Pink Panther (2006) The Devil Wears Prada (2006)

**Television-**  
Untying the Knott (2015) Bodies of Work (2012)  
Fringe (2008) 30 Rock (2007).





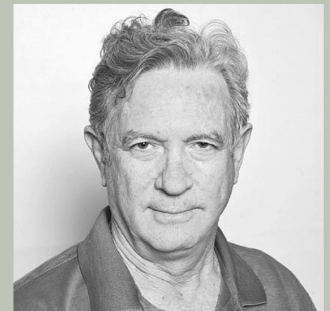
## United Channels Movies (UCM)

United Channels Movies (UCM) is a prominent production company in Israel, founded in 2007 by Chilik Michaeli and Avraham Pirchi. our mission is to create feature films that tell compelling local stories for a global audience. With 30+ successful feature films produced, UCM has a strong track record, in the international film festival circuit. We maintain longstanding relationships with international partners and supporters, enabling our films to reach a broad audience globally.



## Avraham Pirchi (Producer, founder of UCM)

Avraham Pirchi is the president of UCM, a leading Israeli film production, with 34+ feature credits to his name. UCM has kept a strong track record, in the international film festival circuit and movie theaters worldwide. He was also the former President & CEO of Shapam, a mega media company, that shaped his long lasting career & media credits.



## Chilik Michaeli (Producer, co founder of UCM)

Chilik Michaeli, UCM's founder, is a leading figure in the local and international film industry, with a proven track record of success. He previously served as CEO of the Globus Group Contents department, the Israel Studios, and Noah Communications, the largest distribution company in Israel.



## Marco Carmel (Director, writer)

A French-Israeli director with a track record of 7 feature films, two of which are French-Israeli co-productions, and a wide variety of TV series.

His works won 7 Israeli TV and Film academy awards, and had over 40 nominations.

Selected work- Noble Savage (2018), My Lovely Sister (2011), Comme Ton Père (2007), The Harem (2018).



## United King Films (Exec producer and Israeli distributor)

United King Films (in English: United King Films) is an Israeli production, marketing and distribution company of motion pictures, entertainment content, The company was established in 1974 by Moshe Adri and Leon Adri in Tel Aviv, The company owns the rights for most of the Israeli content in music and film.



## One Circle Productions (OCP) (Exec producer)

is an American award winning media company, founded in 2011 by Mira Tzur , with kin eye to develop, produce & create transformational stories worth sharing ,through film, theater and television. The company is known to nurture & sponsor projects in real time from inception to implementation.







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