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AMERICAN MYTHOLOGIES

screens on November 25 (Saturday) 9 pm

Directed by Amos Gitai

Israel/Finland 1981, 16mm, color, 104 min.

With Francis Ford Coppola, Jane Fonda, Betsey Johnson

Divided into two parts ("Rituals," "Elsewhere"), this is a film about American culture at the moment when Ronald

Reagan became President in 1981. Featuring conversations with Jane Fonda, Francis Ford Coppola, fashion

designer Betsey Johnson, NBC's head of programming, and various figures from the counterculture, American

Mythologies is a meditation based on an assemblage of images produced for mass consumption. Gitai has

mused that "on the surface, when you look at the U.S., there seems to be no structure. But there is a very clear

structure of control. To some extent that is what we tried to show."

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