



## Boris Maftsir

Born in Riga, Latvia 1947 and immigrated to Israel in 1971.

### Professional Experience

Feb 2006 – Jan.2013	Yad Vashem: <b>Project Manager</b> for Documentation of Shoah Victims Names from the occupied territories of the FSU
2008- current	Director of the Film Department; Wizo Academy, Haifa
Sept 2005 – current	<b>Independent film maker</b> . Special consultant regarding the Jewish community in the CIS and cultural projects
Oct 2003 – Aug 2005	Jewish Agency – Russia: <b>Director General</b> for the, Belarus and the Baltic States
Nov 1999- June 2001	Israel Ministry of Immigration and Absorption: <b>Director General</b>
Oct 1998 – Nov 1999	Israel Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports: <b>Head of the Department</b> of Arts and Culture
Jan 1994 – Oct 1998	Israel Film Service: <b>Director General</b>

### Special Projects

2002-2003	Member of the 'Israeli Lottery' Committee for Arts and Culture
2002-2003	Media consultant to the Yad Vashem New Museum
2002-2003	Member of the Consulting Committee for Israel Education Television Network
2002-2003	Head of the Cultural Committee Israel - Russia – in CIS Department of Jewish Agency
2002-2003	Radio Moderator - Reshet Bet "Kol Israel": <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• "Third Israel" – Stories told by Russian Immigrants that came to Israel in the 90's</li><li>• "Third Watch" – A nighttime program interviewing night workers</li></ul>
1977-1993	Producer in the Israel Film Service

### Film Productions

1977- 1999	Producer of 400 documentary films and television documentaries
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including:

- "In Search of Lost Memories"(2011) – about the Names Project of Yad Vashem
- "Tarab" (2009) A two-part journey chronicling the identities and memories of Author Eli Amir and Filmmaker Boris Maftsir.
- "Prettiest of All" (2003) – A Television serial about the Israeli opera.
- "Almost Us" (2002) – A Film about Russian immigration to Israel in the 90's
- "Peace Unto the Jerusalem" (1997) – A film depicting the peace process in Jerusalem.
- "The Geshher Family" (1993) A film about the "Geshher" theater group.
- "Acts of Faith" (1992) A historic film on the Spanish Jews' Expulsion from Spain.

**Education and courses:**

1976 Graduate:Tel Aviv University, Dept. of l Cinematography and Television Studies.

1978 Overseas Tour Guide License, Ministry of tourism. An authorized tour guide and lecturer with 25 years of experience in 20 countries specializing in: Spain, Portugal and Russia.

2000 Harvard University special educational program for government officuaks and Director Generals