

**“End of Love Season”** Israel, 2023, 61 min.

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Director’s statement:

I have been telling other people's stories for more than 20 years, this story is different. It's mine.

I started filming once my parents broke up. I was there documenting how this wall was built in the middle of the house I grew up in. While filming, I realized that I don’t really know the intimate history of my parents, this might be my last chance to talk with them.

The camera was my shield, as I walked into their memories, their secrets, hopes, and fears.

I found myself intimately documenting their daily new life, on both sides of the new wall, talking with my parents and my brothers like I never did, like I never dared.

This film is a journey beginning with their love affair which started at the Israeli commune, the Kibbutz, continuing into their lonely nights after the separation. It is sometimes hysterically funny, and sometimes very painful. Like a bitter candy.

I made this film trying to figure out when their love season ended. But it’s much more than a family story, it is a universal tale about relationships, compromises, about the question we all ask ourselves.

How is your love doing?