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**Out Film CT Presents Rare 1919 Silent Film  
With Live Musical Accompaniment, Dec. 9 at 2:30 p.m.**

**HARTFORD, Conn. – Nov. 26, 2012** - Out Film CT, the organizer of Connecticut's two annual LGBT film festivals, will present a unique afternoon of entertainment when it shows the 1919 silent film, *Different From the Others*, with live musical accompaniment, Sunday, Dec. 9 at 2:30 p.m. at Cinestudio on the campus of Trinity College.

The film is set in 1919 Germany. Its story revolves around a concert violinist who falls in love with one of his male students and is then destroyed by blackmail and persecution. It was the first film to portray homosexuality in contemporary society and argued against Germany's Paragraph 175, which outlawed homosexuality as a criminal offense. It was banned when it was released, then burned by the Nazis and believed lost for more than forty years.

Musician and composer Yael Acher "Kat" Modiano will provide musical accompaniment that includes a live flute performance plus composed electronic music and effects. According to Modiano, the event will have the feel of a contemporary hybrid art performance.

"As a lesbian flutist/composer and as a film aficionado, I find it extremely inspiring to create a new music score to one of the first gay-themed films in the history of cinema," Modiano said.

Modiano notes that the camera moves in an expressive and intriguing way to portray the characters and scenery in slow-motion but at an intense pace, and she aims to capture this feeling in her musical piece.

"We're thrilled to present this unique film experience that movie lovers can't find anywhere else in Connecticut," said Shane Engstrom, executive director of Out Film CT. "This combination of classic silent film and live music offers our guests two events in one – a movie and a concert."

A native of Tel Aviv, Modiano graduated with a bachelor's degree in music and classical flute performance from the Rubin Academy for Music and Dance in Jerusalem. She then lived and worked as a performer, composer, and educator in Copenhagen. In 2005 she won a Fulbright scholarship to study composition at NYU and Hunter College and has resided and worked in New York since then. She is a multiple genre instrumentalist and composer who performs classical, modern, free-improvisation, progressive electro/instrumental jazz, free jazz, Latin, funky and electronics. She collaborates with ensembles, choirs, modern dance groups, visual artists and DJs, as well as performing live electro/acoustic accompaniment to silent movies. For more information, visit:

<http://www.modianomusic.net/>

**Out Film CT** is a nonprofit cultural organization dedicated to presenting outstanding LGBT cinema and other theatrical events throughout the year, culminating in the 9-day Connecticut Gay & Lesbian Film Festival. Connecticut's longest-running film festival holds a special place in our state's cultural landscape, bringing the community together to introduce, celebrate and rediscover the ideas and values that make the LGBT community unique. Mark your calendars for the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Connecticut Gay & Lesbian Film Festival, May 31 – June 8, 2013. [www.outfilmct.org](http://www.outfilmct.org)

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