

## The Children of Abraham and Sophie



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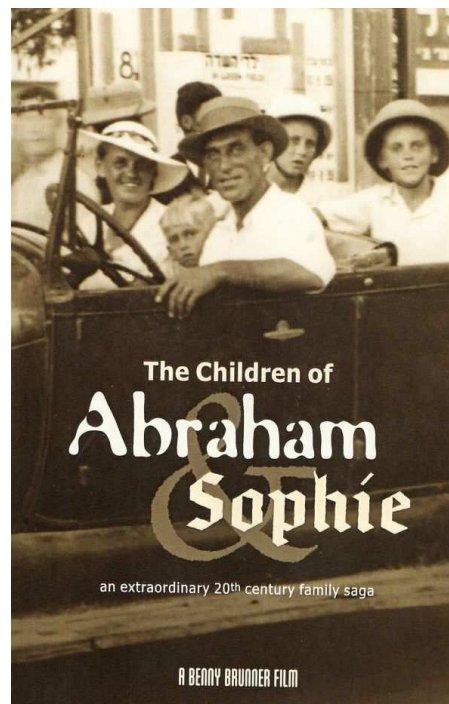
Running time: 95 minutes

Versions: English

The three children of Abraham Braun and Sophie Schopf, including writer and former Knesset member Mordechai Bar-On, are just part of the family tree in Benny Brunner's complex and subtle examination of the ties that bind. Gradually, and leavened by Harry de Wit's haunting, melancholy score, a fascinating picture of modern Israel and Jewish life today emerges. A the drama of that is involving Christians, Jews, Muslims, Holocaust victims and Nazis.

In this family, the roots begin with Abraham Braun and Sophie Schopf, a German Jew and Catholic respectively who met and fall in love in Breslau in 1920. Sophie converted to Judaism and they married, emigrating to Palestine in 1924.

The film also extends backwards to Sophies German relatives in Breslau (now Wroclaw) and forward to an Arab son-in-law who gently spars with Mordechai, his staunchly Zionist father-in-law.



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