

A Different Evening  
International Film Club at Ahmedabad University  
(In Memory of Prof. Niranjan Bhagat)

Date: **May 10, 2019, Friday.**

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Venue: Ahmedabad University Auditorium,  
GICT Building, Near M G Science College.



Name of the Film: **On the Basis of Sex**

(Based on a true story by Daniel Stiepleman)

Also known as: Une femme d'exception

Year of Release: January 11, 2019.

Director: Mimi Leder (Won 2 Primetime Emmys + 4 other awards +13 nominations)

Cinematography: Michael Grady

Genre: Biography, Drama, History

Duration: 2 Hours

Awards: (1 Award + 6 Nominations + being a very recent movie, many more to come)

Actors:

Felicity Jones (Nominated for Oscar + 12 Awards + 39 nominations)

Armie Hammer (Nominated for Golden Globe + 9 Awards + 37 nominations)

Sam Waterston (Nominated for Oscar + 6 other awards + 36 nominations)

Kathy Bates (Oscar Winner + 33 Awards + 88 nominations)

Audio Language: **English** Subtitles: **English**

Colour: Colour

Aspect Ratio: 16:9 High Definition (1080p)

### **About the film:**

It is not easy to imagine that of the 114 justices so far of US Supreme Court, 110 (96.5%) have been men. All Supreme Court justices were males until 1981, when Ronald Reagan fulfilled his 1980 campaign promise to place a woman on the Court, by appointing Sandra Day O'Connor. O'Connor was later joined on the Court by **Ruth Bader Ginsburg**, appointed by Bill Clinton in 1993, at almost the end of the twentieth century. She became the second women judge in US Supreme Court after O'Connor retired in 2006. Ginsburg was joined by Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan, who were successfully appointed to the Court in 2009 and 2010, respectively, by Barack Obama. This is the Supreme Court history of the most advanced nation of our times, USA.

The movie is a true story of Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a Jewish woman, who rose to the supreme level of Judiciary in USA. Her struggles for equal rights, on personal, family and social fronts, and the early cases of a historic career that lead to her nomination and confirmation as U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice. Her fight against gender discriminations by the laws passed by the senate. A court room drama, intermingled with the roller-coaster ride of a woman's life, that has become pages worth noting in US judicial history.

### **About Director:**

Mimi Leder was born on January 26, 1952 in New York City, New York, USA as Miriam Leder. She is a producer and director, known for On the Basis of Sex (2018), The Leftovers (2014) and Deep Impact (1998). She is married to actor and producer Gary Werntz.

Her famous quote is : "Traditionally women are shunned at 40, but I think in some ways these women will be able to break that barrier. Fifty is the new 40; forty is the new 30. Women are looking better. Maybe the world has finally realized all women aren't 20."

### **Tagline:**

"The Court should never be influenced by the weather of the day but inevitably they will be influenced by the climate of the era." - Ruth Bader Ginsburg

### **Trivia:**

Daniel Stiepleman - the writer of the story - is Ruth Bader Ginsburg's nephew.