



SEPIDEH - REACHING FOR THE STARS

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SYNOPSIS

Sepideh is a young Iranian woman who dares to dream - of a future as an astronaut. At night, she stares up at the universe, and she takes lessons from a space fanatic who teaches schoolchildren about astronomy. When her father died, Sepideh discovered that she could feel closer to him by watching the stars. But not everyone appreciates her boundless ambition. After all, becoming an astronaut is not exactly a normal goal for a girl in Iran. Her mother and uncle are worried about the emancipated young woman. We follow this brave young Iranian as she watches the stars, as well as at school, in the mosque and at home, where tensions steadily rise. As we follow Sepideh, it becomes clear just how at odds her dreams are with her current reality and the expectations of those around her. Fortunately, Sepideh is able to express all her thoughts, dreams and cares in the letters she writes to her hero, Albert Einstein.

CAST AND CREW

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