

TWELFTH ANNUAL



**COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
FILM FESTIVAL**

MARCH 18 – 27, 2022

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WELCOME TO THE 12TH ANNUAL COASTLINE CHILDREN'S FILM FESTIVAL

Twelve years ago we were inspired by the **8½ FOUNDATION** (eightandahalf.org). Founded by Tilda Swinton and Mark Cousins, its mission is to make great films available to young people everywhere:

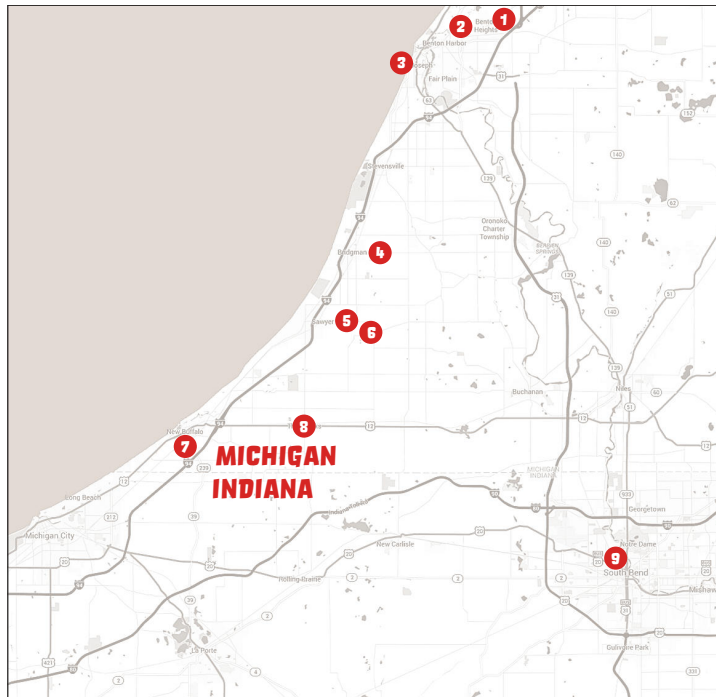
"AND WE HAVE NOTICED OVER THE MANY HUNDRED CINEMA JOURNEYS WE HAVE TAKEN THAT OUR MOST MEMORABLE MAY BE MADE MANY DECADES AGO, MAY BE MADE WITHOUT COLOR, MAY BE WITH SUBTITLES OR NOT A SINGLE SPOKEN WORD."

That idea became our mandate; our manifesto. For 10 days, we invite you to enjoy a selection of full-length features, documentaries, short films and classic silent films for FREE (\$1 suggested donation)! The festival kicks off **FRIDAY MARCH 18TH** with an **OPENING NIGHT COSTUME PARTY** at The Oakroom at The Citadel (Benton Harbor). Come as your favorite animated character and you could win a prize for the most creative costume. Festivities begin at 6:00 pm with popcorn, cupcakes from Bit of Swiss and a music program featuring the First Grade Choir from South Elementary School (Watervliet) led by **BRANDON MATTSON**. **KID FLICKS ONE**, a selection of animated and live action shorts from the New York International Children's Film Festival (NYICFF), begins at 7:00 pm.

The **YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION** will premiere at New Buffalo Township Library on **SATURDAY MARCH 19TH**. This year's competition features 22 short films by young visionaries from 10 states (including) Michigan. Awards will be presented, red carpet style on **FRIDAY MARCH 25TH** following the 6:00 pm screening of the program at The Oak Room at The Citadel.

Other events include a **NIGHT HIKE & OWL PROWL** at Sarett Nature Center (Benton Harbor), **GATHER, FLAPJACKS AND FLICKS** – a pancake breakfast with music by **BRANDON J. WOODCOX** at the Friends of New Troy Community Center (New Troy), an **OPEN HOUSE** at the new Coastline Children's Film Festival Storefront (Sawyer), **HEART TO HEART** – a short documentary about the All God's Children choir by Ainesh Shintre (who will also be teaching a **FILMMAKING WORKSHOP** for beginners at the CCFF Storefront). In addition, we're excited to announce a special screening of the civil rights documentary – **MIGHTY TIMES: THE CHILDREN'S MARCH** in cooperation with the **UNIFIED CIVIC MONUMENTS PROJECT** at The Oak Room at The Citadel on **SUNDAY MARCH 27TH**. Following the film, UCMP will lead a **TRIVIA MARCH** from Benton Harbor to St. Joseph. Last, but not least, **DR. LARRY SCHANKER** (a southwest Michigan treasure) will provide improvisational piano accompaniment to 2 silent films – **GRANDMA'S BOY** (1922) and **GO WEST** (1925) which closes the festival at The Oak Room at The Citadel on **SUNDAY MARCH 27TH**.

ADMISSION IS FREE WITH A \$1 SUGGESTED DONATION



Numbers illustrate the general location. For more information, including links to maps and directions, please visit our site or scan the QR code.

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SCREENING VENUES

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- 1 SARETT NATURE CENTER**
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- 2 THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL**
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FREE EVENTS & WORKSHOP

- FRIDAY MARCH 18 • OPENING NIGHT COSTUME PARTY [ALL AGES]**
Music by first graders from Watervliet Elementary led by Brandon Mattson. Dress as your favorite animated character. Prizes awarded for best costume. Bit of Swiss cupcakes. **FREE**
- A THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL**
6:00 PM BRANDON MATTSON & HIS FIRST GRADE CHOIR **7:00 PM** NYICFF KID FLICKS ONE
- SATURDAY MARCH 19 • GATHER, FLAPJACKS & FLICKS [ALL AGES]**
Housemade pancake breakfast with music by Brandon J. Woodcox. NYICFF KID FLICKS ONE shorts. Limited seating. Visit friendsofnewtroy.org for more info or to reserve a seat. **FREE**
- B FRIENDS OF NEW TROY COMMUNITY CENTER**
9:30 AM DOORS OPEN **9:30 AM - 12:30 PM** BREAKFAST & COFFEE IN THE GYM
10:00 AM KID FLICKS ONE **11:00 AM** KID FLICKS ONE
- SATURDAY MARCH 19 • NIGHT HIKE & OWL PROWL [ALL AGES]**
Join us at Sarett Nature Center for a screening of LEGENDS OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS OF GA'HOOLE. Afterward, Sarett naturalists will take you on a night hike to call for owls! Please bring a flashlight or headlamp for the hike (if you have one). It's sure to be a hoot! **FREE**
- C SARETT NATURE CENTER**
7:00 PM LEGENDS OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS OF GA'HOOLE **8:45 PM** NIGHT HIKE & OWL PROWL
- MONDAY MARCH 21 • OPEN HOUSE [ALL AGES]**
Come see the new home of the film festival in Sawyer (across from INFUSCO). **FREE**
- D COASTLINE CHILDREN'S FILM FESTIVAL STOREFRONT**
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM OPEN HOUSE
- FRIDAY MARCH 25 • YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION RED CARPET AWARDS [ALL AGES]**
Screening of films and awards presentation followed by HEART TO HEART, a short film by Ainesh Shintre and Harold Lloyd's GRANDMA'S BOY (Dr. Larry Schanker, Piano). **FREE**
- E THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL**
6:00 PM YFC FILMS **7:15 PM** AWARDS **7:30 PM** HEART TO HEART **8:00:PM** GRANDMA'S BOY
- SATURDAY MARCH 26 • HOW TO CREATE A SHORT FILM WORKSHOP [AGES 12+]**
Learn to develop, write and produce a short film from beginning to end with Ainesh Shintre. **FREE**
- F COASTLINE CHILDREN'S FILM FESTIVAL STOREFRONT**
1:00 - 4:00 PM WORKSHOP (EMAIL atouchofgreatness@hotmail.com TO REGISTER)
- SUNDAY MARCH 27 • UNIFIED CIVIC MONUMENTS PROJECT FILM & TRIVIA MARCH [ALL AGES]**
Trivia March following MIGHTY TIMES: THE CHILDREN'S MARCH (see page 16). **FREE**
- G THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL**
1:00 PM MIGHTY TIMES: THE CHILDREN'S MARCH **2:00 PM** MARCH DEPARTS FROM BENTON HARBOR
- SUNDAY MARCH 27 • FINALE WITH DR. LARRY SCHANKER, PIANO [ALL AGES]**
Buster Keaton's classic silent film, GO WEST closes the festival. **FREE**
- H THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL**
4:30 PM GO WEST



COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
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FEATURE FILMS

DILILI IN PARIS BELGIUM | FRANCE | GERMANY

ANIMATION • MICHEL OCELOT • 2018 • 95 MINUTES • AGES 9+



An animated historical adventure about Dilili, a young indigenous New Caledonian girl who takes part in a living exhibit about Kanak culture in early 1900s Paris. Dilili and her new friend, a young courier named Oreil, investigate a series of kidnappings in the City of Light, determined to figure out what the mysterious "Male Masters" — an underground cabal of misogynists — are doing with the girls they've abducted. Along the way, they meet many of Paris' turn-of-the-century glitterati, from Nobel Prize-winning physicist Marie Curie to artistic legends like opera great Emma Calvé, author Colette, actress Sarah Bernhardt, Picasso, Manet, Monet, Toulouse-Lautrec, Marcel Proust and many, many more.

ENGLISH DUB

MARCH 19
2:30 PM

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LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: THE OWLS OF GA'HOOLE AUSTRALIA

ANIMATION • ZACK SNYDER • 2010 • 91 MINUTES • AGES 8+



Young Tyto owlet Soren, loves his father's tales about the Guardians of Ga'Hoole — a legendary band of warriors that protect the owl kingdom from danger. His brother, Kludd thinks the stories are silly fantasies. One day the brothers are kidnapped by two menacing owls that take them to the lair of Metalbeak, the "Pure One" who believes that the Tyto owls are supreme to all other owl species. Soren and his new elf-owl friend, Gylfie, are taught how to fly by a resistance-fighting owl who tells them that the Guardians are real and that Soren and Gylfie must warn them about Metalbeak's plans to rule the owl kingdom. With help from Twilight a warrior-poet Great Gray Owl; Digger, a jittery Burrowing Owl; and Mrs. P., the friends fly to the Tree of Ga'Hoole to train and fight as Guardians.

ENGLISH

MARCH 19
7:00 PM

SARETT NATURE CENTER
BENTON HARBOR

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NIGHT HIKE & OWL PROWL

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LEAD BY SARETT NATURALISTS AT 8:45 PM

After the film, Sarett naturalists will take you on a **Night Hike** to call for owls! Please bring a flashlight or headlamp for the hike (if you have one). It's sure to be a hoot!

A BUTTERFLY'S HEART LITHUANIA

LIVE ACTION • INESA KURKIETYTE • 2021 • 108 MINUTES • AGES 10+



"Can I touch your heart?" That is what Rugile literally asks her new friend Juozapas, who was born with a bizarre condition: the boy carries his heart outside of his chest, protected by a glass dome and special armor. Always careful and cautious, Juozapas avoids interacting with other children because they make fun of the oversized sweater he wears to hide his disability. He is content with spending time in a deserted mansion where he keeps his collection of bugs, beetles and butterflies (a secret he shares with nobody but Rugile). In return, she helps him overcome the insensitivity of his classmates. In a film that breathes a delicate lyricism and carries the smell of wildflowers, summer seldom looks as sweet as it does in the Lithuanian countryside.

LITHUANIAN WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES**HAROLD AND MAUDE** USA

LIVE ACTION • HAL ASHBY • 1971 • 91 MINUTES • AGES 13+



A young man with a death wish and a 79-year-old high on life find love in this 1971 cult black comedy. Deadpan rich boy Harold keeps staging elaborate suicide tableaux to get the attention of his mother, but she keeps planning his brilliant future for him instead. Obsessed with the trappings of death, Harold freaks out his blind dates, modifies his new sports car to look like a mini-hearse and attends funerals, where he meets the spirited Maude. An eccentric to the core, Maude lives exactly as she pleases, with avid collecting and nude modeling among her many pursuits. To the disgust of Harold's relatives and the befuddlement of Harold's shrink, Harold falls in love with her. As lilting Cat Stevens tunes play on the soundtrack, Maude teaches Harold a valuable lesson about making the most of his time on earth.

ENGLISH**TOMBOY** FRANCE

LIVE ACTION • CÉLINE SCIAMMA • 2012 • 82 MINUTES • AGES 12+



This film is unique: it deals with an aspect of childhood that is rarely seen treated – the year or two that tremble on the edge of puberty and the dilemmas and temptations therein. At the start Laure, a ten-year-old girl, is traveling with her father and pregnant mother and six-year-old sister Jeanne to the family's new home, in a large housing project somewhere in the country. Laure is at the age where she could easily be mistaken for a boy. Her figure is boyish, her hair (unlike Jeanne's) is cut short, her clothes are shorts and a shirt. Played by the amazing Zoe Heran, she decides to pass as a boy. As "Mikael", she catches the attention of the leader of the pack Lisa who becomes smitten with her. Finding resourceful ways to hide her true self, Laure takes advantage of her new identity, as if the end of summer would never reveal her unsettling secret.

FRENCH WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES**MARCH 20**
4:00 PMTHE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR**2****MARCH 23**
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6:30 PMCOASTLINE CHILDREN'S FILM FESTIVAL STOREFRONT
SAWYER**5**

JACKIE & OOPJEN NETHERLANDS

LIVE ACTION • ANNEMARIE VAN DE MOND • 2021 • 90 MINUTES • AGES 9+



Twelve-year-old Jackie knows Amsterdam's Rijksmuseum like the back of her hand since her mom's job as a conservator allows her to traipse through the rooms like a second home. When a pair of acclaimed Rembrandt portraits are installed, a bit of magic seems to arrive as well. Oopjen, one of the painting subjects, mistakes Jackie for her long-lost sister, steps out of her frame and straight into Jackie's life. Antics and bonding ensue as the two team up to find a portrait of Oopjen's beloved sister while hilariously adapting Oopjen to 21st century life, outwitting unscrupulous criminals and making time for Snapchat-worthy BFF goals. Light, heartwarming comedy with a bit of art history makes great viewing for all ages.

ENGLISH, DUTCH AND FRENCH WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES

JIM BUTTON AND THE WILD 13 GERMANY

LIVE ACTION • DENNIS GANSEL • 2021 • 78 MINUTES • ALL AGES



This gorgeous film tells the story of 12-year-old Jim and his best friend, the engine driver Luke. In order to protect their home of Morrowland from the notorious pirate gang "The Wild 13," the two set off with their steam engines Emma and Molly on a dangerous journey where Jim's most fervent wish might also come true: he wants at last to find out the truth about his mysterious origins. A year has gone by since Jim Button and his best friend, the engine driver Luke, returned from their dangerous adventure in Dragon City. Life on Morrowland goes its leisurely way. Suddenly, dark clouds are gathering over the tranquil island of Morrowland: the Wild 13 has learned that the dragon, Mrs. Grindtooth, has been conquered by Jim and Luke and now swears revenge. Jim and Luke meet old friends like princess Li Si, Mr. Tur Tur and Nepomuk and make new friends with Sursulapichi, a real mermaid.

ENGLISH DUB

NOCTURNA SPAIN | FRANCE

ANIMATION • ADRIÀ GARCÍA | VÍCTOR MALDONADO • 2007 • 80 MINUTES • AGES 8+



Visually stunning and wildly inventive, this film explores the mystery of the night in a sweeping nocturnal adventure full of Alice in Wonderland-like characters and moody, dream-inspired landscapes. Have you ever wondered why your hair looks funny in the morning or where the sounds outside your window come from at night? A young boy named Tim finds out after an unusual discovery on the rooftop of his orphanage plunges him into the secret world of Nocturna, inhabited by curious creatures who control the night. There are hairdressers who specialize in bed-heads, dream writers, and a vast herd of guardian cats led by the gigantic Cat Shepherd. Yet this world is in danger: the stars in the sky are disappearing, kids are becoming restless at night, and a mysterious shadow creature is haunting the empty streets, extinguishing anything that gives off light. If Tim and the Cat Shepherd can't set things right, nighttime will never be the same!

ENGLISH DUB

MARCH 26
2:00 PM

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ST. JOSEPH

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MARCH 26
12:00 PM

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MARCH 27
2:00 PM

ST. JOE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY – MAIN LIBRARY
(COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER AUDITORIUM)
SOUTH BEND

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MARCH 23
2:00 PM

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COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
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DOCUMENTARY FILMS

MR. TOILET: THE WORLD'S #2 MAN USA

DOCUMENTARY • LILY ZEPEDA • 2019 • 86 MINUTES • AGES 10+



What do you get when you cross an eccentric self-made man with a load of crap? Jack Sim. To a stranger, he's a guy obsessed with toilets, but to those who know him, he's "Mr. Toilet," a crusader for global sanitation. Born in the Singapore slums, Jack Sim knows firsthand the agonies of not having a proper loo. Now he's dedicating his life to a crisis no one dares talk about: poop. Not having a place "to go" isn't just an inconvenience; it's a problem that impacts 2.4 billion people worldwide. In India alone, 200,000 children die each year from lack of safe sanitation, while women are regularly raped because they have to defecate in public spaces.

Using humor as a weapon, Jack fights an uphill battle against bathroom taboos. Now he is plunged into his biggest challenge yet: secure 6 million toilets for the "Clean India" initiative. But with few resources and no help from the government, his epic project and reputation are in jeopardy. Jack's once supportive staff begins to doubt him; and when his family bonds start to fray over his obsessive dedication, he wonders if he's finally met his match.

ENGLISH, CHINESE, HINDI AND TELUGU [ENGLISH SUBTITLES]

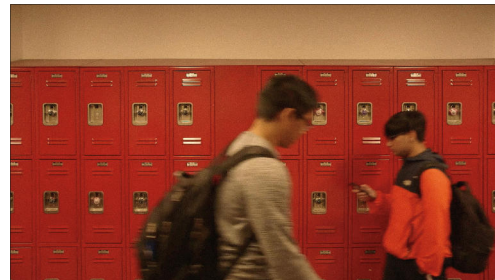
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BENTON HARBOR

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TRY HARDER! USA

DOCUMENTARY • DEBBIE LUM • 2021 • 85 MINUTES • AGES 10+



As they prepare for the emotionally draining college application process, students are keenly aware of the intense competition for the few open spots in their dream schools. They scrutinize how every element of their application, from their classes to their extracurricular activities to their racial identities, might be read by admission officers. At Lowell—where cool kids are nerds, nearly everyone has an amazing talent, and the majority of the student body is Asian American—the things that usually make a person stand out can feel not good enough, even commonplace.

With humor and heart, director Debbie Lum takes us to the reality of the American college application process and the intersection of class, race, and educational opportunity as experienced by high school seniors living through it. **TRY HARDER!** is a portrait of young adults in the most diverse American generation ever as they navigate a quintessential rite of passage and make it their own.

ENGLISH

MARCH 20
1:30 PM

THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR

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Experiential cinema in its purest form, **GUNDA** chronicles the unfiltered lives of a mother pig, a flock of chickens and a herd of cows with masterful intimacy. Using stark, transcendent black and white cinematography and the farm's ambient soundtrack, director Viktor Kossakovsky invites the audience to slow down and experience life as his subjects do, taking in their world with magical patience and an other-worldly perspective. **GUNDA** invites us to meditate on the mystery of animal consciousness and reckon with the role humanity plays in it.

"**GUNDA** is a mesmerizing perspective on sentience within animal species, normally – and perhaps purposely – hidden from our view. Displays of pride and reverence, amusement and bliss at a pig's inquisitive young; her panic, despair and utter defeat in the face of cruel trickery, are validations of just how similarly all species react and cope with events in our respective lives. Viktor Kossakovsky has crafted a visceral meditation on existence that transcends the normal barriers that separate species. It is a film of profound importance and artistry." – **Joaquin Phoenix, Executive Producer**

NO DIALOGUE

The film tells the story of Katie Yegorov-Crate, a thirteen-year-old girl from Fairfax, Virginia. She is carted around the globe by her mother, noted environmental anthropologist Susie Crate. Susie studies the effects of climate change on centuries-old indigenous communities. Famed anthropologist Margaret Mead also analyzed how communities confront change, but that which results from war and modernity. Her daughter Mary Catherine Bateson, now 76 and a cultural anthropologist in her own right, provides insight into what Susie and Katie discover.

Filmed over the course of five years, **THE ANTHROPOLOGIST** is a meditation on change, both individual and societal. Susie and Katie work with people in Siberia, the South Pacific, the Andes, and the nearby Chesapeake Bay, who struggle to reconfigure how and where they live. In Siberia, where Susie met Katie's father while doing research, Katie's relatives can no longer farm on land they've occupied for generations. Katie's roots are also threatened by the inhospitable soil.

ENGLISH, RUSSIAN, SAKHA, KIRIBATI, SPANISH AND QUECHUA WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES



Don't let these boy's ages fool you: Color Killer, a head-banging punk group, can bring the noise! More than just cute, the four mop-topped members (Lincoln Zinzola, Matt Hiltz, Nate Dalbec and Dylan Huther, ages 8-11 when the film takes place in 2018) wrote and performed edgy songs about their own lives like "Go to Bed," "Strangers" and the cheeky "Michael Doesn't Like Me." Adults started noticing, including record producers and the Ironbound Films documentary crew. The resulting lighthearted film captures the band's lead up to their biggest gig to that point – the 2018 Warped Tour. Told with a great sense of humor and hung on a fictional frame of the parents sitting in therapy with comedic actor Chris Parnell, **Yung Punx** will make every young viewer want to pick up a guitar or wish they knew how to play.

ENGLISH

MARCH 26
4:15 PM

THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR

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MARCH 26
6:00 PM

THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR

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MARCH 26
7:30 PM

THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR

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CLASSIC SILENT FILMS

GRANDMA'S BOY USA

SILENT FILM • FRED C. NEWMAYER • 1922 • 60 MINUTES • AGES 6+



The residents of a small town organize a team to track down a killer. The town's entire male population joins the hunt, save one jittery youth (Harold Lloyd) who wants nothing to do with a murderer. He instead retreats to his grandma's house. She tells him a fantastic story that rouses his confidence and hands him a talisman that supposedly holds the power of bravery. Unaware he's been given an ordinary piece of wood, the young man decides to chase the criminal by himself.

PIANO ACCOMPANIMENT BY DR. LARRY SCHANKER

GO WEST USA

SILENT FILM • BUSTER KEATON • 1925 • 70 MINUTES • AGES 6+



With this delightful film, Buster Keaton rivals Charlie Chaplin for comic poetry and pathos. Keaton's character, known only as Friendless, is a Midwestern boy who is down on his luck. After an abortive attempt to get by in the city, he follows Horace Greeley's advice to "Go West, young man!" As a result, Friendless winds up on a cattle ranch and is about the most unlikely cowboy imaginable (in fact, he never does trade in his porkpie hat for a ten-gallon). Various bits of comic business abound; standouts include the milking scene and a card game in which Friendless accuses a player of cheating. Friendless finds true love – not with the rancher's daughter but with Brown Eyes, a cow who seems nearly as out of place in the herd as Friendless does on the ranch. Cow and boy become devoted, but Brown Eyes is headed for the slaughterhouse. Friendless resolves to rescue her, sneaking on the train that's taking her and thousands of other cattle to the Los Angeles station. The herd escapes from the train at the destination and runs amok through downtown Los Angeles. With the help of a costume shop, Friendless saves the day and his cow!

PIANO ACCOMPANIMENT BY DR. LARRY SCHANKER

MARCH 25

8:00 PM

THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR

GRANDMA'S BOY WITH DR. LARRY SCHANKER (PIANO)

(SCREENS AFTER THE SHORT FILM – HEART TO HEART)

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MARCH 27

4:30 PM

THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR

FESTIVAL FINALE

DR. LARRY SCHANKER, PIANO

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COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
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SHORT FILMS

NYICFF KID FLICKS ONE GLOBAL

ANIMATION • VARIOUS DIRECTORS • 2019-2020 • 52 MINUTES • AGES 3+



Animated shorts introducing younger viewers (ages 3+) to the fun of seeing films on the big screen. In **THE YOGI WALRUS**, Little Emi craves ice cream and always wants more. In **KENYA'S SYMPHONY**, a stubborn 5-year-old reluctantly heads off to an orchestra performance with her mom while Young Mido wants to be in a band in **MIDO AND THE INSTRUMENTALS**.

ENGLISH, NO DIALOGUE OR WITH BRIEF ENGLISH SUBTITLES

MARCH 18
7:00 PM

THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR

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OPENING NIGHT COSTUME PARTY
WATERVLIET FIRST GRADE CHOIR AT 6:00 PM

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MARCH 19
2 SCREENINGS
10:00 AM & 11:00 AM

FRIENDS OF NEW TROY COMMUNITY CENTER
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GATHER, FLAPJACKS & FLICKS
BRANDON WOODCOX, MUSIC

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Starting at 9:30 a.m. we welcome the whole family to safely gather in the FoNT gymnasium for a complimentary housemade pancake breakfast. An **Early Bird Screening** will take place at 10:00 a.m. Two viewing experiences will be available at 11:00 a.m. We will have a **Casual Viewing Room** for a laid-back viewing experience as well as an **Attentive Viewing Room** for a quieter space to watch films.

NYICFF KID FLICKS TWO GLOBAL

LIVE ACTION & ANIMATION • VARIOUS DIRECTORS • 2019 - 2020 • 68 MINUTES • AGES 7+



With shorts for ages 7+, Kid Flicks Two audiences are ready for plenty of fun, plus deeper themes and multilingual films with English subtitles. Stop motion equals nonstop action in **WILD LEA**, as a feral Colombian cat goes from lonely to loved, but can she learn to settle down with her new makeshift family? And if kooky tales are what you're craving, you'll flip your lid over the hilariously absurd split personalities of **MATILDA AND THE SPARE HEAD**. In the doc **DEAR FUTURE ME**, 6th graders wrote letters to their future selves; fast-forward to 2020 when the now 12th graders re-read them with alternately surprising, bittersweet, and hilarious results.

ENGLISH AND OTHER LANGUAGES WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES

MARCH 19
2:30 PM

KRASL ART CENTER
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NYICFF ¡VIVA KID FLICKS! GLOBAL

LIVE ACTION & ANIMATION • VARIOUS DIRECTORS • 2018 - 2019 • 65 MINUTES • AGES 8+



New York International Children's Film Festival (NYICFF) Viva Kid Flicks celebrates the best Spanish-language short films from around the globe. The brilliant Spanish-language tales in Viva Kid Flicks, with a range of kids' perspectives, speak volumes in any tongue. NYICFF jury-award winner **3FEET** kicks things off in style with Gonzalo, who tries his hilarious best to keep things clean to stay in the game; then orbit around Ailin and her mom, who work through love and challenges in the charming stop motion **AILÍN ON THE MOON**. And see things grow curiously and curiously in a moving take on magical realism in the gorgeously filmed tale **THE SIZE OF THINGS**.

SPANISH WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES**NYICFF FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS: CANADA** CANADA

LIVE ACTION & ANIMATION • VARIOUS DIRECTORS • 2017 - 2020 • 77 MINUTES • AGES 9+



Conversation-starting films for ages 9+! These thought-provoking Canadian films take a deep dive into what identity means and how it shapes our past, present and future. A daughter-turned-animator remembers and pays tribute to the country her parents left behind in order to start anew in **IN PASSING**. With a range of inventive animation and photographic techniques, a father and daughter bond over their First Nations roots and art in the lovely and charming **OTANIMM / ONNIMM**. Discover buried histories with Josh from **ICE BREAKERS** as he uncovers the story of Black Canadians who helped pioneer the sport of hockey.

ENGLISH AND OTHER LANGUAGES WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES**HEDGEHOG IN THE FOG** RUSSIA

ANIMATION • YURI NORSTEIN • 1975 • 10 MINUTE • AGES 6+



Every evening, a tiny hedgehog travels a path through the dark forest to visit his friend the bear. Their daily ritual consists of drinking tea by the fire and counting the stars. One night, the hedgehog catches a glimpse of a beautiful white horse disappearing into the heavy fog. Worried it will choke in the mist, the hedgehog steps off the path to pursue, gets disoriented and loses his way. The hedgehog encounters other strange, frightening things (both real and imagined) hiding in the fog like a leaf, an owl, a bat, an elephant, a snail, a dog and a fish. As he becomes more lost, the hedgehog worries that he will never see his friend the bear again.

RUSSIAN WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES**MARCH 27**
3:30 PMST. JOE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAIN LIBRARY
(COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER AUDITORIUM)
SOUTH BEND**9****MARCH 23**
2:00 PMBRIDGMAN PUBLIC LIBRARY
BRIDGMAN**4****MARCH 26**
4:00 PMTHE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR**2**



**COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
FILM FESTIVAL**

YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION

Coastline Children's Film Festival presents 22 short films from 11 states. Entry is free and open to anyone living in the U.S. (18 years of age and under). Awards include First, Second, Third, Honorable Mention, Audience Favorite and Michigan's Best. Attend a Young Filmmakers Competition screening on 3/19 or 3/23 to vote. Visit coastlinechildrensfilmfestival.com/ycf

MARCH 19
1:00 PM

NEW BUFFALO TOWNSHIP LIBRARY
NEW BUFFALO

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MARCH 23
6:00 PM

COASTLINE CHILDREN'S F.F. STOREFRONT
SAWYER

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MARCH 25
6:00 PM

THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL
BENTON HARBOR
YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION AWARDS
7:15 PM - AWARDS PRESENTATION

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COMPANIES IN QUARANTINE NEW JERSEY

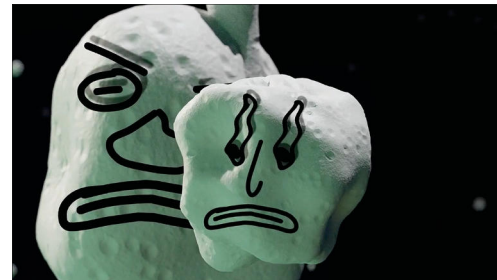
LIVE ACTION • AUSTIN SNETSKY • 2021 • 1M 7S • AGE 17



Fernsby Copperbottom tells you that even despite these unprecedented times, his company's cranberry sauce can bring the world together.

A STELLAR VACATION! PENNSYLVANIA

ANIMATION • NOAH SHIN • 2022 • 4M 59S • AGE 15



An overworked asteroid seeks to escape from the daily grind of life. Little does he realize, his getaway will have a global impact!

A SLICE OF LIFE VIRGINIA

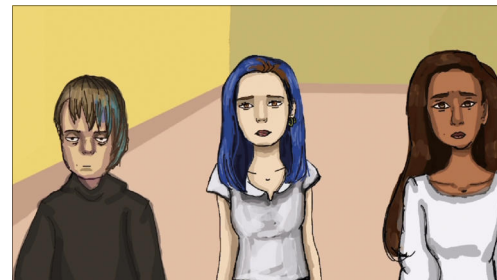
ANIMATION • M. D'ANIELLO | M. KUETER | G. TRACEY • 2021 • 1M 06S • AGE UNSPECIFIED



An animated look at a family's growth over a generation.

BROKEN VASES TEXAS

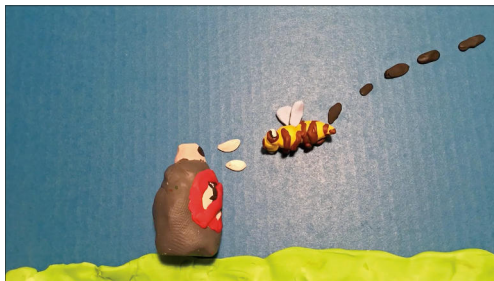
ANIMATION • KERRY LUM • 2021 • 4M 17S • AGE 18



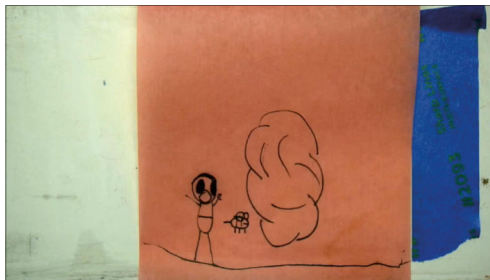
A teen enters an art competition.

GLANCE NEW JERSEYLIVE ACTION • AVANI MORE • 2021 • 2M 0S • **AGE 17**

After losing her mother, an artist struggles to portray happiness in her paintings. Glancing out the window, she finds inspiration in a girl throwing a snowball at her sister and turns the scene into a painting. However, this only makes her miss mom even more.

BAD BUGS CALIFORNIAANIMATION • BRYN WRIGHT • 2021 • 2M 0S • **AGE 10**

10 year old Bryn made a claymation movie about the importance of using "natural solutions for your bug problems" - something she's passionate about. The idea came after one of her "grub hunting" sessions. She loves gardening almost as much as animation, so it was a perfect fit.

ATTACK OF THE BEE/WASPS! OHIOANIMATION • ASHOKA KERNS • 2021 • 0M 12S • **AGE 12**

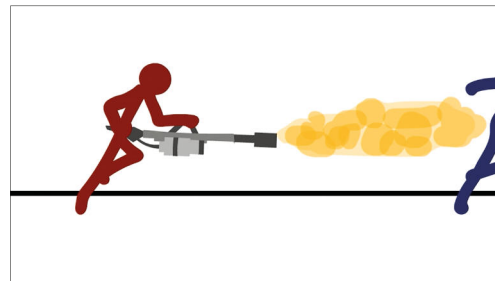
Bees are everywhere! Watch out for the bees!

ABSOLUTION MICHIGANLIVE ACTION • L. RUTLEDGE | F. RASKE | C. SLADOVICH • 2021 • 3M 33S • **AGE 18**

A young woman enters into a chess battle with her biggest enemy, who she refuses to lose against again.

AMLIN AND BERDAM CALIFORNIAANIMATION • LANA LIM • 2021 • 8M 33S • **AGE 18**

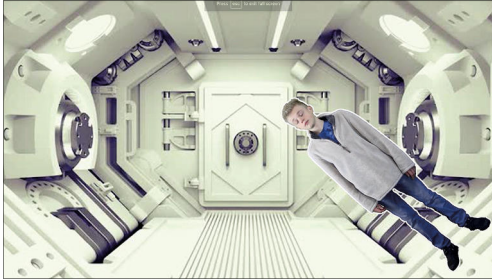
At the end of the world, two strangers debate whether there's any point in making personal change.

ESCALATION CALIFORNIAANIMATION • JAKE YUN • 2020 • 2M 08S • **AGE 15**

Over this past year, we all witnessed opposing sides taking an unmoving stance in politics, from our local school boards, to political parties, all the way up to the highest office. We hope that this fun short allows us to also consider what happens to conflict that sees no end.

WATCH VIRGINIALIVE ACTION • MORGAN SMARTT • 2022 • 4M 21S • **AGE 14**

A kid finds a watch at a bus stop and puts it on. The watch teleports him to his favorite places. After several adventures, the watch's owner gets the watch back. The kid returns to the bus stop without the magical watch, but with a new sense of how good it is to be seen and known.

DREAMS, ILLUSTRATED TEXASLIVE ACTION / ANIMATION • BLAKE BACKES • 2021 • 3M 02S • **AGE 17**

In deep slumber, Blake explores the galaxy, boards a spaceship, and meets a demonic entity.

ICE CUBES TEXASANIMATION • AARIAN DHANANI • 2021 • 2M 18S • **AGE 18**

Ice cubes embark on an unexpected journey.

THE BOX NEW YORKLIVE ACTION • MILO GREER • 2019 • 3M 10S • **AGE UNSPECIFIED**

A mysterious box shows up on the front porch.

CHOICE OHIOLIVE ACTION • ARMAN TAHERI • 2021 • 4M 01S • **AGE 16**

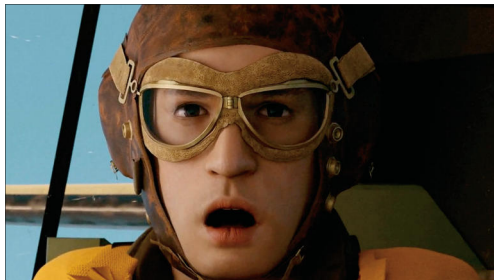
A flat tire brings a couple to begin questioning their journey. What choice will they make?

LIGHT POLLUTION ILLINOISANIMATION • RYLAND SOBEL • 2021 • 3M 49S • **AGE 9**

Learn about light pollution and its effect on turtles, butterflies, and migratory birds.

ESCORT 1943 ILLINOIS

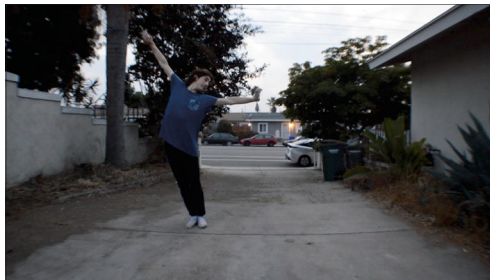
ANIMATION • SIMON PASQUESI • 2021 • 3M 05 • AGE UNSPECIFIED



American pilot Charlie Brown finds himself brutally damaged deep inside Nazi-occupied Germany. A Luftwaffe pilot lines the B-17 Bomber up for the kill but doesn't shoot. Based on a true story.

ADRIFT IN TIME CALIFORNIA

LIVE ACTION • LONDON WILLIAM PETERSON • 2020 • 2M 30S • AGE UNSPECIFIED



A dancer in Covid-19 lockdown.

WHEN THE CATS LANDED VIRGINIA

LIVE ACTION • GEORGE CARLIN • 2021 • 3M 39S • AGE UNSPECIFIED



In this mockumentary, aliens that look like cats invade Earth.

HEY QUEEN NEW JERSEY

ANIMATION • STUDENTS OF TYSON ANIMATION • 2021 • 1M 27S • AGE UNSPECIFIED



An animated tribute to our matriarch, Ms. Cicely L. Tyson by the students of Tyson Animation

TIME TRAVELERS VIRGINIA

LIVE ACTION • HOOVER | JONES | JOY | RICHTER | RUSSELL | SMITH • 2021 • 4M 18S • AGE UNSPECIFIED



A boy travels through history in pursuit of magical ice cream.

THE TEARDROP DELAWARE

LIVE ACTION • YIZHOU "EMMA" LIAO • 2021 • 4M 57S • AGE 18



The film follows four elderly ladies playing Mahjong and discussing how to use their cell phones.



COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
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SPECIAL EVENT

MIGHTY TIMES: THE CHILDREN'S MARCH USA

DOCUMENTARY • ROBERT HOUSTON • 2004 • 41 MINUTES • AGES 13+



The Unified Civic Monuments Project invites you to a special screening of **MIGHTY TIMES: THE CHILDREN'S MARCH**. On May 2, 1963, the young people of Birmingham, Alabama took to the streets to bring segregation to its knees. Their heroism in facing down fire hoses and police dogs for the sake of human rights complements discussions about the ability of today's young people to be catalysts for positive social change.

The Unified Civic Monuments Project is an initiative to commemorate social justice and honor the historic legacies of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, Michigan. The project will place a total of 4 monuments in 2022. Two monuments (one in each city) will represent civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Two others will be specific to each city.

ENGLISH

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1:00 PM

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BENTON HARBOR

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TRIVIA MARCH

DEPARTS CITADEL AT 2:00 PM

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After the film, join in a **Trivia March** between Benton Harbor & St. Joseph to see prospective sites for the new monuments, learn more about the cities' local histories and promote a continued legacy of unity and social justice.



COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
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LOCAL SPOTLIGHT



Hoping to nurture change in a separated community, Larry and Sandy Feldman created All God's Children Choir. Their goal: bring different people together to sing, perform and create lifelong bonds with one another. This is the story of the choir, told from the perspective of four of its core members and narrated by the director – and former choir member – Ainesh Shintre.

The All God's Children Community Choir is a multiracial, multicultural group of talented and enthusiastic children and teens, ages 4 to 18, drawn from ten different communities in Southwest Michigan. Led by a multiethnic team of directors, the Choir is now in its 18th year, inspiring audiences with its message of brotherhood and sisterhood, unity, friendship, peace and respect for all people.

Visit facebook.com/allgodschildrenchoir for more information.

ENGLISH



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Friends of New Troy Community Center | New Buffalo Township Library | Three Oaks Township Public Library
St. Joe County Public Library (Main Library) [INDIANA]

JUROR

Doreen Bartoni | Young Filmmakers Competition

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Dr. Larry Schanker | Silent Films
Brandon Mattson | Opening Night
South Elementary School Choir (Watervliet) | Opening Night
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HEART TO HEART – AINESH SHINTRE, DIRECTOR
(SCREENS AFTER YOUNG FILMMAKERS AWARDS)

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COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
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SCREENING SCHEDULE BY VENUE AND DATE

MICHIGAN

1 SARETT NATURE CENTER

3/19 LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: OWLS OF GA'HOOLE 7:00 PM

2 THE OAK ROOM AT THE CITADEL

3/18 NYICFF KID FLICKS ONE 7:00 PM

3/20 MR. TOILET 12:00 PM

3/20 TRY HARDER! 1:30 PM

3/20 A BUTTERFLY'S HEART 4:00 PM

3/25 YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION 6:00 PM

3/25 HEART TO HEART 7:30 PM

3/25 GRANDMA'S BOY 8:00 PM

3/26 HEDGEHOG 4:00 PM

3/26 GUNDA 4:15 PM

3/26 THE ANTHROPOLOGIST 6:00 PM

3/26 YOUNG PUNX 7:30 PM

3/27 MIGHTY TIMES: THE CHILDREN'S MARCH 1:00 PM

3/27 GO WEST 4:30 PM

3 KRASL ART CENTER

3/19 NYICFF KIDS FLICKS TWO 2:30 PM

3/26 JACKIE & OOPJEN 2:00 PM

4 BRIDGMAN PUBLIC LIBRARY

3/22 NYICFF FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS: CANADA 2:00 PM

3/23 NOCTURNA 2:00 PM

5 COASTLINE CHILDREN'S FILM FESTIVAL STOREFRONT

3/21 OPEN HOUSE 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

3/23 YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION 6:00 PM

3/23 HAROLD AND MAUDE 7:30 PM

3/24 TOMBOY 6:30 PM

6 FRIENDS OF NEW TROY COMMUNITY CENTER

3/19 NYICFF KIDS FLICKS ONE 10:00 AM & 11:00 AM

7 NEW BUFFALO TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

3/19 YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION 1:00 PM

3/19 DILILI IN PARIS 2:30 PM

8 THREE OAKS TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

3/26 JIM BUTTON AND THE WILD 13 12:00 PM

INDIANA

9 ST. JOE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAIN LIBRARY

3/27 NOCTURNA 2:00 PM

3/27 NYICFF ¡VIVA KID FLICKS! 3:30 PM

MARCH 18

NYICFF KID FLICKS ONE 7:00 PM 2

MARCH 19

NYICFF KID FLICKS ONE 10:00 AM & 11:00AM 6

YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION 1:00 PM 7

NYICFF KID FLICKS TWO 2:30 PM 3

DILILI IN PARIS 2:30 PM 7

LEGEND OF THE GUARDIANS: OWLS OF GA'HOOLE 7:00 PM 1

MARCH 20

MR. TOILET 12:00 PM 2

TRY HARDER! 1:30 PM 2

A BUTTERFLY'S HEART 4:00 PM 2

MARCH 22

NYICFF FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS: CANADA 2:00 PM 4

MARCH 23

NOCTURNA 2:00 PM 4

YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION 6:00 PM 5

HAROLD AND MAUDE 7:30 PM 5

MARCH 24

TOMBOY 6:30 PM 5

MARCH 25

YOUNG FILMMAKERS COMPETITION 6:00 PM 2

HEART TO HEART 7:30 PM 2

GRANDMA'S BOY 8:00 PM 2

MARCH 26

JIM BUTTON AND THE WILD 13 12:00 PM 8

JACKIE & OOPJEN 2:00 PM 3

HEDGEHOG 4:00 PM 2

GUNDA 4:15 PM 2

THE ANTHROPOLOGIST 6:00 PM 2

YOUNG PUNX 7:30 PM 2

MARCH 27

MIGHTY TIMES: THE CHILDREN'S MARCH 1:00 PM 2

NOCTURNA 2:00 PM 9

NYICFF ¡VIVA KID FLICKS! 3:30 PM 9

GO WEST 4:30 PM 2



COASTLINE CHILDREN'S
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STOREFRONT

A PLACE FOR FILM



Films invite us to explore identity and challenge perception. They distill our sense of beauty and often tell a truth. Great films provide powerful opportunities to imagine a different world and enable us to become more compassionate and imaginative.

We seek out stories that can engage and inspire youth. Often the subjects of the films are children and teens themselves, and all can leave the viewer impacted by a strong message or a new and larger perspective. Film matters for the same reason all art matters. We want to create the conditions for young people to experience meaningful life-enriching stories unfolding on the screen. Through what is now a 12-year effort in this area, we are convinced these young adults will develop a film vocabulary, and as they mature, film can become their currency for real intellectual debate.

Why do we embrace silent film? Silent-era filmmakers produced masterpieces that can seem breathtakingly modern. After the birth of movies, filmmakers developed all the techniques that would make cinema its own art form. The absence of recording on the set though meant that the camera was free to move with a grace and elegance that allowed visual storytelling to flourish and made film more than just an adjunct to the stage. It is through these early films that the world first came to love movies and learned how to appreciate them as art.

Seeing a movie can be like a visit to a wonder-filled land we may never come across in our everyday lives. The best films provide a place where we are all invited, no borders, no visas required, and no possibility of being excluded or exiled.

Our storefront space in the Flynn Theatre Building in Sawyer is open throughout the March festival.

MARCH 21
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

OPEN HOUSE
FLYNN THEATRE BUILDING



MARCH 26
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

HOW TO CREATE A SHORT FILM WORKSHOP
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10 DAYS

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