

movie clips

OPENING OR RETURNING:

Balzac and the Little Seamstress: During China's Cultural Revolution, two young intellectuals sent to the hinterlands discover a hidden cache of literary treasures, which they share only with the beautiful young seamstress. Smart, sweet slice of life during a repressive era. NR. Bijou.

Bee Season: Richard Gere and Juliette Binoche star as the parents of a precocious son (Max Minghella) and daughter (Flora Cross) in Scott McGehee and David Siegel's (*The Deep End*) adaptation of Myla Goldberg's novel. The tightly knit family falls apart when the father, an academic religion expert becomes obsessed with his daughter's rare ability to spell perfectly at spelling bees. PG-13. Opens 12/23. Bijou.

Boulevard Buildings (2003): Alexander Muratov's feature follows a (fictional) famous French author who goes to Moscow on a trial separation from his wife who discovers the person publishing his novels illegally. At 7 pm on 11/23 in 11 Pacific, UO. In Russian with English subtitles. Free.

Gladiator: Ridley Scott's Roman spectacle stars Russell Crowe as Maximus, a famous Roman general now slave gladiator. His enemy, Emperor Commodus (Joaquin Phoenix), is power-mad. Exciting, brilliant film also stars Richard Harris, Oliver Reed and Djimon Hounsou. Critically acclaimed and award-rich, the film receives the highest recommendations. R. Plays at 6 pm on 11/17 in 100 Willamette, UO. Free.

Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire: Starring Daniel Radcliffe. Emma Watson and Rupert Grint, this episode finds Harry's friends trying to help him through difficult times, as evidence of the presence of Voldemort (Ralph Fiennes) appears. Voldemort was last seen 13 years ago, the night he murdered Harry's parents. PG-13. Cinema World. Cinemark.

History of Violence, A: After foiling a robbery in his small-town diner, Viggo Mortensen's quiet life with his wife and two children is plunged into a media circus, which attracts unsavory characters who claim they are from his shady past. Directed by the great David Cronenberg, the film also stars Maria Bello, William Hurt and Ed Harris. One of the best films of 2005, despite its violence. R. Movies 12. **Online archives.**

Just Friends: When Chris (Ryan Reynolds) returns to his 10-year high school reunion, he's hoping his best friend (Amy Samart) will be more than friends. PG-13. Scheduled to open 11/23. Check theaters.

Just Like Heaven: Romantic comedy starring Reese Witherspoon and Mark Ruffalo is set in San Francisco, where both claim a charming apartment is theirs alone. When she discovers she can walk through walls,

they determine to solve the mystery. Directed by Mark Waters (*Mean Girls, Freaky Friday*). PG-13. Movies 12.

Napoleon Dynamite: Jared Hess' indie comedy stars Jon Heder as a high school student living in Idaho with his grandmother. *The Village Voice* says, "the film is an epic, masterfully observed pastiche on all-American geekhood, flooring the competition with a petulant shove." Highly popular film, deservedly. PG. LateNite Bijou. Online archives.

Nobody Knows (Japan, 2005): Based on the true story of four Japanese youngsters abandoned by their mother in a Tokyo apartment, this film by Hirokazu Kore-eda (*After Life*) is cinematically gorgeous, with outstanding performances. An almost unbearably sad, exquisite picture of the fragility of childhood. Very highest recommendations. PG-13. At 8 pm on 11/19 at DIVA. Free. **Online archives..**

Our Neighbors' Stories: Multi-media production uses stage, screen and interviews with people who live in Springfield. At 7:30 pm on 11/17 at Willamalane Adult Activities Center, 215 West C Street, Springfield.

Performing the Border takes place on the Mexican border with the U.S. and **Behind the Labels: Garment Workers on U.S. Saipan** play at 7 pm on 11/23 in 180 PLC. Free.

Rent: The acclaimed Broadway show based on Puccini's classic opera, *La Boheme*, comes to the small screen with performances by Rosario Dawson, Taye Diggs, Jesse L. Martin, Idina Menzel, Adam Pascal, Anthony Rapp, Wilson Heredia and Tracie Thoms. Set in New York's East Village, the film follows a group of artists struggling with obstacles of poverty, illness and the AIDS epidemic. PG-13. Scheduled to open 11/23. Check theaters.

Sexy Beast: Brilliant, violent but darkly comic caper flick directed by Brit Jonathan Glazer stars the fabulous Ray Winstone (*The War Zone, Nil By Mouth*) and rescues the great Ben Kingsley from his Gandhi role for good. Highest recommendation. R. At 6 pm on 11/20 at DIVA. **Online archives.**

Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price: Highly critical of Wal-Mart's corporate tactics and the impact the company has on local economies across the country, this documentary was produced and directed by Robert Greenwald (*Outfoxed*), who will be present at the showing at 7 pm 11/18 at Bldg. 17, LCC. \$3 for movie, \$10 see movie, get DVD.

Walk the Line: The new Johnny Cash biopic stars the excellent Joaquin Phoenix as the singer, songwriter known as the Man in Black and Reese Witherspoon (with dark hair) as singer, songwriter June Carter Cash, his second wife and partner for 35

years. Directed by James Mangold. PG-13. Cinema World. Cinemark.

Yours, Mine and Ours: When single parents Frank (Dennis Quaid) and Helen (Rene Russo) marry they have 18 children between them. The kids don't approve of the merger. Trouble follows. Co-stars Rip Torn and Linda Hunt. PG. Scheduled to open 11/23. Check theaters.

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CONTINUING:

Animation Show, The: A collection of the world's best animated short films, personally programmed by co-producers Mike Judge ("Beavis and Butt-Head") and Academy Award nominated animator Don Hertzfeldt. LateNite Bijou.

Brothers Grimm, The: Terry Gilliam directs this tale of the legendary brothers who brought fairytales to the world, Will Grimm (Matt Damon) and Jake Grimm (Heath Ledger). Set in the Napoleonic countryside, the brothers have to wrestle with the demons and magical characters their imaginations have brought to life. Also stars Jonathan Pryce, Lena Headey, Peter Stormare and Monica Bellucci. PG-13. Movies 12.

Capote: Director Bennett Miller and writer Dan Futterman create a moving portrait of writer Truman Capote (*In Cold Blood*) during the years following grisly Kansas murders that rocked the country. Philip Seymour Hoffman gives an indelible performance, likewise Catherine Keener. Clifton Collins plays Perry Smith, one of the killers befriended by Capote. Very highest recommendations. R. Bijou. **Online archives.**

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory: Tim Burton's reimagining of Roald Dahl's perennial children's favorite dark chocolate treat stars Johnny Depp as Willy Wonka with Freddie Highmore, his child co-star from Finding Neverland, along with Helen Bonham Carter. Loved it! Highest recommendations. PG. Movies 12. **Online archives.**

Chicken Little: Disney's first fully computer-animated feature film is a comedy adventure that brings a satirical twist to the classic fable. Voices by Zach Braff, Garry Marshall, Joan Cusack, Steve Zahn. G. Cinema World. Cinemark.

Derailed: Married lovers Clive Owen and Jennifer Aniston's carry on until they find themselves in a world of danger. Thriller also stars Maelissa George, Vincent Cassel, The Rza and Xzibit. English-language debut feature film by acclaimed Swedish director Mikael Hafstrom. R. Cinema World. Cinemark.

Doom: Loosely based on the game by the same name, this sci-fi horror flick from Andrzej Bartowski takes us to a research station on Mars to hunt down the nasties inadvertently released. Although the film is live action, the angles and visuals are very like a video game - without the joystick. R. Movies 12.

Dreamer: Inspired By a True Story: Drama about a father (Kurt Russell) who, for the love of his daughter (Dakota Fanning), sacrifices almost everything to save the life of an injured racehorse and bring the filly back to her former glory. Also stars Kris Kristofferson, Elizabeth Shue. PG. Cinemark. **Flightplan:** Jody Foster stars in this Brian Grazer-produced psychological thriller about a woman whose 6-year old daughter disappears without a trace mid-flight in a state-of-the-art aircraft. Directed by Robert Swenke, film also stars Peter Sarsgaard and Sean Bean. PG-13. Cinemark. **Online archives.**

Forty-Year Old Virgin: Andy Sitzer (Steve Carell) has lived a life of involuntary chastity, and his friends are determined to do something about his state. Directed by Judd Apatow, the film stars Catherine Keener, Paul Rudd and others. R. Movies 12. **Online archives.**

Get Rich or Die Trying: Six-time Academy Award-nominee, director Jim Sheridan works with a story about street orphan who makes his mark as a drug dealer but finds the courage to leave violence behind to become a rap artist. Stars Marcus Curtis "50 Cent" Jackson, Terrence Howard, Joy Bryant, Viola Davis. R. Cinemark. **Good Night and Good Luck:** Edward R. Murrow did more to make television a serious news venue than almost any other journalist. George Clooney's film is set in 1953, when the CBS newsmen (played by David Strathairn) battled powerful Senator Joseph McCarthy (shown only in archival shots and speaking his own words). McCarthy's witch hunting tactics were on display in the House Un-American Activities Committee, and Clooney wants us to remember Murrow's courage. As *The New York Times* puts it: "Murrow, a war hero in his own right, recognized McCarthyism as a domestic echo of Nazism." This may be the best movie of the year. Very highest recommendations. PG. Cinema World. **Online archives.**

Greatest Game Ever Played, The: Bill Paxton directs this story about a forgotten sports hero, an amateur golf player from a working class family, Francis Ouimet (Shia LeBeouf (*Holes*), who beats the world champion golfer (Stephen Dillane) in the 1913 U.S. Open. Also stars Elias Koteas, Peyton List, Peter Firth, Josh Flitter. PG. Movies 12.

In Her Shoes: Directed by Curtis Hanson. Sisters Maggie (Cameron Diaz) and Rose (Toni Collette) have little in common, but after a major break, they find their way back together with the help of a grandmother (Shirley MacLaine) they didn't know existed. Unsensational tale of sisters who must find their way to self-awareness, film features great performances by all three principals. Perfect little film deserves highest recommendations. PG-13. Cinemark. **Online archives.**

Into the Blue: Divers Paul Walker, Jessica Alba, Scott Caan and Ashley Scott discover a legendary shipwreck but also something more mysterious. Directed by John Stockwell, movie also stars Josh Brolin and James Frain. PG-13. Movies 12.

Jarhead: Screen adaptation of Marine Anthony Swofford's memoir of his disorienting experiences in the Gulf War stars Jake Gyllenhaal as "Swoff," Jamie Foxx and Peter Sarsgaard. Directed by Sam Mendes. Highest recommendations. R. Cinemark. Cinema World. **See review this issue.**

Legend of Zorro, The: The original masked man again played by Antonio Banderas is now working to gain statehood for California. (Huh?) Catherine Zeta-Jones and director Martin Campbell from the original return as well. Action adventure with a flair. PG-13. Cinemark.

Madagascar: Computer-animated comedy stars voices of Ben Stiller, Chris Rock, David Schwimmer and Jada Pinkett Smith as animals who escape from the Central Park Zoo for a big city adventure. But they are captured and put on a ship headed for Africa, where they must survive in the wild. Directed by Eric Darnell (*Antz*) and Tom McGrath. PG. Movies 12.

March of the Penguins: Documentary director Luc Jacquet's film chronicles the oft-repeated survival of the species in the wind-strewn wilderness of Antarctica. Film tracks a pair of Emperor Penguins across continent. Includes intimate scenes of the big birds mating. This unique film has now played in every theater in Eugene/Springfield. G. Movies 12.

MirrorMask: A teenage girl projects anxieties over her mother's illness into her dreams in an effects-heavy movie produced by the Jim Henson Company and directed by Dave McKean. Said to be exquisitely beautiful. PG. Bijou.

Prime: Therapist (Meryl Streep) helps a client (Uma Thurman) involved with a younger man (Bryan Greenberg), who is the therapist's son. Comedy written and directed by Ben Younger. PG-13. Cinemark.

Saw 2: Bloody sequel to James Wan's grisly 2004 thriller stars Donnie Wahlberg. Cinemark.

Serenity: Galactic outcasts 500 years in the future squabble through outer space until they meet the cannibalistic fury of sav-

ages who roam the very edge of space. Filmmaker Josh Whedon directs Nathan Fillion, Gina Torres, Alan Tudyk, Adam Baldwin, David Krumholtz and Chiwetel Ejiofor. Highly recommended. PG-13. Movies 12. **Online archives.**

Shoppgirl: Greatly anticipated film written by and starring Steve Martin (based on his bestselling novella), film also stars Claire Danes and Jason Schwarzman. A poignant love story, it's directed by Anand Tucker. This lovely film gets highest recommendations. See it. R. Cinemark. **See review this issue.**

Sky High: Son of superheroes The Commander (Kurt Russell) and Jetstream (Kelly Preston), poor Will (Michael Angarano) must go to Sky High, an elite high school, where he battles a nasty gym coach (Bruce Campbell), a bully, teen angst, parental expectations and girl problems. Wow! PG. Movies 12.

Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit: Nick Park's and Steve Box's outstanding creations, an eccentric inventor named Wallace and his long-suffering, silent but faithful dog, Gromit, finally reach the big screen in their first feature-length film. The mystery of a vegetable-ravaging "beast" must be solved to save the village's Giant Vegetable Competition, and our intrepid hero Wallace (voice by Peter Sallis) is just the man for the job. Lady Tottington (Helena Bonham Carter) and Victor Quartermaine (Ralph Fiennes) co-star. Most excellent, divine comedy. G. Cinemark. **Online archives.**

War of the Worlds: Directed by Steven Spielberg, this retelling of H.G. Well's seminal sci-fi adventure thriller about an invasion of Earth by Martians, as seen through the eyes of ordinary people played by Tom Cruise, Dakota Fanning, Justin Chatwin, Miranda Otto, and Tim Robbins. Riveting, challenging and moving; very highest recommendations. PG-13. Movies 12. **Online archives.**

Weather Man, The: Chicago TV Weather Man (Nicolas Cage) finds successful career no match for family life. Directed by Gore Verbinskin, film also stars Michael Caine, Hope Davis and Michael Rispoli. R. Cinemark.

Zathura: Brothers (Josh Hutcherson, Jonah Bob) are launched on an adventure when their house takes off for space, where they meet up with an astronaut (Dax Shepard) and others. Dad is played by Tim Robbins, and film is directed by Jon Favreau. PG. Cinemark. Cinema World.

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