

OPENING OR RETURNING:
Annapolis: James Franco (*Tristan & Isolde*) has one last shot to prove he has what it takes to become a naval officer. He enters the boxing competition and goes up against his nemesis (Tyrese Gibson). Directed by Justin Lin, film also stars Donnie Wahlberg, Chi McBride, Jordana Brewster and Vicellous Shannon. PG-13. Movies 12.
ATL: Loosely based on filmmakers Dallas Austin and Tionne Watkins' experience growing up on the south side of Atlanta. Tip Harris stars as a frustrated artist whose life is improved by the appearance of New-New, a girl with secrets of her own. Directed by music video vet Chris Robinson. PG-13. Cinemark.
Basic Instinct 2: Sharon Stone is back as Catherine Trammell, now a best-selling crime novelist. To no one's surprise, she winds up on the wrong side of the law. Also stars David Morrissey, David Thewlis and Charlotte Rampling. Directed by Michael Caton-Jones. R. Cinemark.
Brigade, The: Aleksei Sidorov's 2002 critical and popular tale of the Russian "Mafia." The story follows four best friends as they choose a life of crime. Episode 11 shows at 9 pm April 5 in 111 Pacific, UO.
Grizzly Man: Werner Herzog's documentary about grizzly activist Timothy Treadwell who lived among the wild bears of Kodiak, Alaska for 17 summers, including 2003, the year of his death and that of his companion, Amie Hugunard. Part footage shot by Treadwell, part interviews and locations Herzog shot, this is a brilliant but disturbing work. Plays at 6:30 pm April 6 in 110 Willamette, UO. R. **Online archives.**
Hard Boiled: John Woo's ultra-violent 1992 film stars Chow Yun-Fat as a police inspector investigating an organized crime syndicate and the gun smugglers who killed his partner. In Mandarin and Chinese with English subtitles. Plays at 7 pm April 4 in 110 Willamette, UO, following a 6 pm reception and book signing with Robert K. Elder, author of *John Woo: Interviews. See story this issue.*
Ice Age 2: The Meltdown: Manny (Ray Romano), Sid (John Leguizamo) and Diego (Denis Leary) are back for another adventure. The animals are excited that the ice is melting – it's a paradise of water parks! But where is all that new water going to go? PG. Cinemark. Cinema World.
Killer, The: Gangster gunman Jeffrey Chow (Chow Yun-Fat) wants out. His best friend hires him for one last killing, but as always seems to be the case, it doesn't go so well. Directed by John Woo. Plays at 7 am April 3 in 110 Willamette, UO. **See story this issue.**
Match Point: Dramatic thriller from Woody Allen stars Scarlett Johansson, Jonathan Rhys-Meyers and Emily Mortimer. Terrific upscale noir thriller sports classic Allen craftsmanship and outstanding performance by Rhys-Meyers. Very highest recommendations. R. Movies 12. **Online archives.**
Northwest Indigenous Film Festival: Two days of short films, including *The Messenger, The Beginning: They Told Cherokee, The Ball Game, Salmon on the Banks of Buffaloes, Homeland, The Salt Song Trail: Bringing Creation Back and Tattoo on My Heart.* Films begin at 1 pm Saturday and Sunday; a panel discussion is at 5:20 pm Sunday and the festival concludes with a community gala 6 pm Sunday. At LCC's Center for Meeting and Learning.
Real Dirt on Farmer John, The: Third-generation Midwest farmer John Peterson works to combine his artistic ways and his on-again, off-again desire to keep working his family's farm. Local CSA farmers will be at the theater at 6:30 pm Friday to provide information and answer questions. Bijou. **See review this issue.**
Slither: James Gunn's (*Dawn of the Dead*) creepy horror film finds strange critters appearing in a small American town. Stars Michael Rooker, Elizabeth Banks and Nathan Fillion, who was last seen aboard *Serenity*. R. Cinemark.
Take the Lead: Stars Antonio Banderas as Pierre Dulane, a New York City ballroom dance teacher who taught inner-city kids to move their feet. Sneak preview at 7:30 pm April 1. PG-13. Cinemark.
When a Stranger Calls: Teen horror flick directed by Simon West, stars Camilla Belle as the babysitter who receives terrifying phone calls from inside the house! Also stars Brian Geraghty, Katie Cassidy and Clark Gregg. PG-13. Movies 12.
White Sun of the Desert: In Vladimir Motyl's 1969 film, set during the founding and consolidation of the Soviet Union, a discharged soldier

crossing the desert for home encounters an abandoned harem of women. In Russian with English subtitles. Plays at 7 pm April 5 in 111 Pacific, UO.

Films open the Friday following EW publication date unless otherwise noted. See archived reviews at www.eugeneweekly.com

CONTINUING:
Brokeback Mountain: A rodeo rider (Jake Gyllenhaal) and a ranch hand (Heath Ledger) fall in love in Ang Lee's Western, adapted for the screen by Larry McMurtry and Diana Ossana, based on a story by Annie Proulx. Also stars Michelle Williams, Anne Hathaway and Randy Quaid. A great film; don't miss this one. It's perfect in every way. Very highest recommendations. **2005 Academy Awards: directing, Ang Lee; original score, Gustavo Santaolalla; adapted screenplay, Larry McMurtry, Diana Ossana. Online archives.** R. Movies 12. **Online archives.**
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. **2005 Academy Award: leading actor, Philip Seymour Hoffman.** R. Movies 12. **Online archives.**
Cheaper By the Dozen 2: Steve Martin stars in this sequel to his 2003 family comedy, which also stars Bonnie Hunt, Piper Perabo and Hilary Duff. Directed by Adam Shankman (The Pacifier). PG. Movies 12.
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. Movies 12.
Chronicles of Narnia, The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe: Four siblings walk into a magic land and meet astonishing creatures who change their lives forever. Based on C.S. Lewis' timeless stories, the film is directed by New Zealander Andrew Adamson. It stars Tilda Swinton, Rupert Everett, Jim Broadbent, Ray Winstone and children: Anna Popplewell, Skandar Keynes and William Moseley. **2005 Academy Award for makeup.** PG. **Online archives.** Movies 12.
Curious George: The Man in the Yellow Hat (Will Ferrell) tries his best to tame Curious George in this animated version of the beloved children's series. The inquisitive chimp passes the time by sipping lattes, ruining a woman's bubble bath and getting carried away by a bunch of balloons. Other voices include Drew Barrymore, Eugene Levy, Joan Plowright and Dick Van Dyke. G. Movies 12.
Date Movie: This spoof of the prolific romantic comedy genre that stars Alyson Hannigan, Jennifer Coolidge and Fred Willard is rated PG-13 for "continuous crude and sexual humor." Continuous. How can you go wrong? It's bound to be another laugh-until-you-pee movie from the writers of *Scary Movie*, Jason Friedberg and Aaron Seltzer. PG13. Movies 12.
Eight Below: Inspired by a true story of three members of a scientific expedition to Antarctica who are air-rescued but must leave their loyal dogs behind. They form a rescue mission six months later. Directed by Frank Marshall. PG. Cinemark.
Failure to Launch: Sarah Jessica Parker is a professional who aims to move Matthew McConaughey out of his parent's home. Also stars Zooey Deschanel, Terry Bradshaw and Kathy Bates. PG-13. Cinema World. Cinemark.
Fun With Dick and Jane: Jim Carrey and Tea Leoni star as middle-class thieves in Dean Parisot's remake of the limp 1977 comedy starring Jane Fonda and George Segal. Also stars Alec Baldwin and Angie Harmon. PG-13. Movies 12.
Hills Have Eyes, The: Family road trip goes terribly wrong in this take of Wes Craven's 1977 original, as the travelers become stranded in an atomic zone with a mutant family. Yikes! R. Cinemark.
Inside Man: Spike Lee's new film is a hostage drama in which a tough cop (Denzel Washington) matches wits with a bank robber (Clive Owen), with Jodie Foster the situation's wild card. R. Cinema World. Cinemark.
King Kong: Peter Jackson's highly anticipated re-imagining of the original film stars Naomi Watts as an actress, Jack Black as an adventurous

filmmaker, and Adrien Brody as a playwright. Their troubles begin when they capture a giant ape and bring him to the city. Love this movie! Very highest recommendations. **2005 Academy Awards: visual effects, sound editing and sound mixing.** PG-13. Movies 12. **Online archives.**
Larry The Cable Guy, Health Inspector: Larry investigates a rash of food poisoning cases at swanky big-city restaurants. But will his unorthodox methods cost him his job? Do you care? PG-13. Cinemark.
Memoirs of a Geisha: Rob Marshall (*Chicago*) directs the screen version of the 1997 Arthur Golden novel, which is about a poor girl who becomes the most celebrated geisha of her time. The film stars the beautiful and talented Ziyi Zhang, Gong Li and Michelle Yeoh, with Ken Watanabe as the leading man. **2005 Academy Awards: art direction, set decoration; cinematography, Doion Beebe; costume design, Colleen Atwood.** PG-13. Movies 12.
Nanny McPhee: Emma Thompson plays a frightful looking nanny with magical powers who enters the household of a recently widowed Mr. Brown (Colin Firth) to help control his seven ill-behaved children. Directed by Kirk Jones, film also stars Celia Imrie, Thomas Sangster, Angela Lansbury, Derek Jacobi, Imelda Staunton. PG. Movies 12.
Neil Young: Heart of Gold: Jonathan Demme directs this concert film, shot over two nights at Nashville's Ryman Auditorium. PG. Bijou.
Pink Panther: Bumbling French Inspector Jacques Clouseau (Steve Martin) must solve the murder of a world-famous soccer coach and catch the thief who stole his priceless diamond ring in this prequel to the 1964 classic. Also stars Kevin Kline, Jean Reno & Beyonce. PG. Cinemark.
Shaggy Dog: Tim Allen and a big shaggy dog star in this Disney flick. PG. Cinemark. Cinema World.
She's the Man: Start with Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," add in adolescent love and soccer-mania and you get this romantic comedy starring Amanda Bynes (*What a Girl Wants*) in which mistaken identities and cross-gender relationships abound. PG-13. Cinemark.
Sixteen Blocks: NYPD detective Jack Mosley (Bruce Willis) has one last job for the day: take petty criminal Eddie Bunker (Mos Def) from lockup to the courthouse where he will testify in a grand jury case. R. Cinemark.
Stay Alive: A group of friends find themselves in possession of a violent video game called Stay Alive. One of them has already died brutally, but the rest still play the game, even though they know they shouldn't. And you know what happens to them next. PG-13. Cinemark. Cinema World.
Syriana: Middle East thriller about oil and the treacherous politics of producers vs. business interests was written and directed by the great Stephen Gaghan (*Traffic*). Stars George Clooney as CIA agent, energy analyst Matt Damon and Washington attorney Jeffrey Wright. Also Chris Cooper, William Hurt, Mazhar Munir, Tim Blake Nelson, Amanda Peet, Christopher Plummer and Alexander Siddig. Don't miss. **2005 Academy Awards: Supporting actor, George Clooney.** R. Movies 12. **Online archives.**
V for Vendetta: From the pages of David Lloyd & Alan Moore's graphic novel springs "V" (Hugo Weaving), a masked freedom fighter who's taken up arms against the totalitarian government in a futuristic Britain. Finding an unlikely ally in a young woman, Evey (Natalie Portman), V urges the citizenry to fight the oppression of the state. Andy & Larry Wachowski (*The Matrix*) wrote the screenplay. R. Cinema World. Cinemark. **Online archives.**
White Countess, The: The final collaboration of producer Ismail Merchant and director James Ivory, the film tells the intertwined stories of two outsiders in 1936 Shanghai: displaced Russian countess Sofia Belinsky (Natasha Richardson) and blind American diplomat Todd Jackson (Ralph Fiennes). PG-13. Bijou. **Online archives.**
World's Fastest Indian: The life story of New Zealander Burt Munro (Anthony Hopkins), who spent years building a 1920 Indian motorcycle—a bike which helped him set the land-speed world record in 1967. Sweet movie is very strongly recommended. PG13. Cinema World.

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