Nineteen Brazilian films presented by the Portland Art Museum Film Center will be shown until Monday, May 17.

Top Tape Rentals

- 1. Waterboy Touchstone
- 2. Mighty Joe Young Walt Disney
- 3. The Rugrats Movie Paramount
- 4. What Dreams May Come PolyGram
- 5. Pleasantville New Line
- 6. There's Something About Mary 20th Century Fox
- 7. Snake Eyes Paramount
- 8. Soldier Warner Bros.
- 9. Ever After 20th Century Fox
- 10. Bride of Chuckie Universal

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The Northwest Film Center is pleased to present BRAZIL-CINEMA NOVO & BEYOND, nineteen newly struck 35mm prints which move from the 60s to the present to reflect with vitality and vision a country's unique dynamics. All films are screened at the Northwest Film Center's Guild Theatre, SW 9th & Taylor. Admission is \$6 general, \$5 for students, seniors and Portland Art Museum Members. Call 221-1156.

SUNDAY APRIL 18; 6 PM LITTLE BOOK OF LOVE BRAZIL 1996 DIRECTOR: SANDRA WERNECK Set against the sensual backgroud of Rio de Janeiro, Sandra Werneck takes us alphabetically through the A to Z's of love, mixing in a healthy dose of Brazilian pop music, witty dialogue and a bit of a cynic's grasp of the subject through a series of vignettes. Ranging from "attraction," "idyll," "promises," "revenge," and "separation," LITTLE BOOK OF LOVE mixes documentary-like scenes with direct addresses to the camera to follow the path of Cabriel (Daniel Dantas) and Louisa (Andrea Beltrao), two skeptics about the possibility of love who are thrown together and quickly move through this emotion's highs and lows. With a gentle humor running throughout, Werneck gives equal time to both male and female perspectives in this

huge box-office hit from Brazil. (91 mins.)

DOUBLE FEATURE SUN APRIL 18 A STARRY SKY BRAZIL 1995 DIRECTOR: TATA AMARAL

A Starry Sky is a singularly gritty film.

Made with modest resources, this is one of the best kitchen-sink dramas to emerge from Brazil in recent years. It strikes at the core of women's role within Brazilian society, within relationships, and within themselves. Dalva (Alleyona Cavalli), is packing her suitcase to leave for Miami in search of a better life. She is abandoning her nagging mother, a passionate but chauvinistic ex-boyfriend, and a life in the doldrums. Victor, the boyfriend in question, arrives unexpectedly and forces his way in, spoiling Dalva's attempt to leave secretly. He desperately tries to persuade Dalva to take him back, and after a song and dance she starts to give in. Still harboring affections for him, Dalva listens to him with a mix of patience and suspicion. Victor is a man living on the edge, out of work and looking for ways to survive: it's clear he had it easy living with Dalva. What started as a desperate act of reconciliation rapidly deteriorates into violence as Victor strives to reassert his authority and keep Dalva in his life. As the police close in, however, Dalva strikes back." - TORONTO FILM FESTIVAL (85 mins.)



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