

FALL SCREENING SERIES

Sept 10- Oct 29, 2009

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FILM SOCIETY
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SEPTEMBER 10

THURS
@7:00



WAITING FOR HOCKNEY

Julie Checkoway USA 2008 80min
Billy Pappas, a young working-class Baltimore man spends 10 years on a single, intricately drawn portrait of an American cultural icon, believing it is his means to fame and fortune.
Composer Jeff Beal will attend
Sponsored by ArtLife

@8:30



HERB & DOROTHY

Megumi Sasaki USA 2008 89min
The extraordinary story of Herbert Vogel, a postal clerk, and Dorothy Vogel, a librarian, who managed to build one of the world's most important contemporary art collections.

Sponsored by The Sylvia White Gallery

SEPTEMBER 17

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UNDER MY GARDEN

Andrea Lodovichetti ITALY 2007 19min
2009 Golden Globe Best Short

Marco, a 10-year old boy who has a passion for insects, is convinced that his neighbor has killed his wife and buried her under his garden.
Sponsored by Movie Town

@7:30



BIRTHDAY GIRL

Jez Butterworth UK 2001 93min

NICOLE KIDMAN stars in this little-seen gem. A thirtysomething bank clerk from St Albans has his small-town life exploded by the arrival of Nadia, his Russian mail-order bride.

Sponsored by Patti Channer & Mary Karrh

SEPTEMBER 24

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BETWEEN THE LINES

Ty Ponder, Scott Bass, Troy Page USA 2008 55min

Definitive and dramatic history of surfing during the Vietnam War, told by the men who lived it. Narrated by John Milius ("Big Wednesday", "Apocalypse Now").
Sponsored by wetSand Surfshop

@8:15



SURFWISE

Doug Pray USA 2007 93min

The tumultuous story of 85-year old surfer, health advocate and sex guru, Dr. Dorian "Doc" Paskowitz, his wife Juliette, and their nine children. Their life as an itinerant surfing family is fascinating and disturbing.

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OCTOBER 1

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WORLD WITHOUT WALLS

Stephen Talbot, Joan Saffa, Judy Flannery USA 1986 60min

The fascinating and dramatic story of famed aviatrix Beryl Markham, the first person to fly solo across the Atlantic from East to West, in 1936. A lifelong resident of Kenya, Markham is the author of the acclaimed memoir, "West With The Night".

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NOWHERE IN AFRICA

Caroline Link GERMANY 2003 141min
Academy Award Best Foreign Film

In 1937, a Jewish lawyer, aware of the growing Nazi movement in Germany, moves with his family to a farm in Nairobi, Kenya, changing their lives forever.

Sponsored by Jordan & Sandra Laby

OCTOBER 8

THURS
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THE LAST FARM

Rúnar Rúnarsson ICELAND 2004 17min

In a remote corner of Iceland, Winter is coming on fast. An aging farmer is doing his final chores before moving with his wife to a retirement home in the city.

@7:30



CHILDREN OF NATURE

Fríðrik Þór Fríðriksson ICELAND, GERMANY, NORWAY '91 82min Sponsored by J. McLain

A drama that asks how important is it to have a long life if you have to leave everything meaningful behind. After years apart, a man and woman meet again in a retirement home in Reykjavik, embark on a journey together of liberation and renewal. Academy Award Nomination

OCTOBER 15

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BUY NOTHING DAY

Palli Grimsson USA 2003 20min

In November every year America's largest retail stores hold their annual "After Thanksgiving Day" sale. Thousands of people wait in line for hours for the doors to open. This is what happens.
Filmmaker will attend
Sponsored by Anonymous

@7:30



ANVIL! THE STORY OF

ANVIL! Sacha Gervasi USA 2008 90min

At 14, best friends Robb Reiner and Lips made a pact to rock together forever. Their band, Anvil, hailed as the "demi-gods of Canadian metal", influenced a musical generation despite never hitting the big-time themselves.

OCTOBER 21

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TALMAGE FARLOW

Lorenzo DeStefano USA 1981 59min

The half-century musical career of TALMAGE HOLT FARLOW (1921-1998) embodied the unusual. Among the great guitar innovators of modern jazz, he walked out of the limelight in 1958, as suddenly as he'd entered it less than ten years before. An inside look into the triumphs and trials of artistic creation from a true American original. Filmmaker will attend

@8:15



LOS ZAFIROS-MUSIC FROM THE EDGE OF TIME

Lorenzo DeStefano USA 2007 78min

Music, history, and emotion fuel this dynamic, award-winning tribute to Los Zafiros (The Sapphires), the Beatles of 1960s Cuba. Thirty years after their breakup, the two surviving band members reunite in the streets of Havana.

Sponsored by The Ventura Music Festival

OCTOBER 29

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PLAY

Anthony Minghella, IRELAND 2000 16min

Oscar-winning director Anthony Minghella ("The English Patient", "Cold Mountain", "The Talented Mr Ripley") directs a highly imaginative film version of Samuel Beckett's "PLAY", starring Alan Rickman, Kristin Scott Thomas, Juliet Stevenson.
Courtesy Tyrone Productions, Dublin
Sponsored by Lubina Consulting, Inc.

@7:30



THE WARRIOR

Asif Kapadia UK 2001 86min

Best British Film BAFTA

The great Indian cinema star IRRFAN KHAN is a brutally efficient warrior in feudal India, loyal to his Warlord to the death. One day he renounces his role as hired enforcer, turns instantly from predator to prey.

Sponsored by The Taj Café

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