

March 14 - 8 PM
Business of Fancydancing

USA, 2002, Not rated, Color, 103 min.
Written and directed by Sherman Alexie
Evans Adams, Michelle St. John
Seymour Polatkin left the Spokane Reservation for Seattle along with his best friend, Aristotle Joseph. Sixteen years later Seymour has become a successful Indian poet while Aristotle has had a different experience in the 'white' world. They meet up again when Seymour returns to the reservation to attend the funeral of a dear friend. The secrets, tension and conflict expressed between the two get released through interesting ways including questions posed by an unnamed interviewer. Sherman Alexie deftly brings his poetry to life in his directorial feature debut.

April 11 - 8 PM
The Color of Paradise
(Rang_e khoda)

Iran, 1999, Rated PG
Color, 90 min. in Farsi with English subtitles
Directed by Majid Majidi
Hossein Mahjoub, Mohsen Ramezani, Salime Feizi, Farahnaz Safari, Elham Sharifi
Mohammad is a loving and caring blind boy who returns from his school for the blind for a three-month break with his family. While his grandmother and his two sisters love him for who he is, his father, a widower, has difficulties loving him for fear that his condition will limit his marriage potential. The father sends him off to apprentice with a carpenter to get him out of the way. But circumstances will climax in unexpected ways. This lush and simple tale is perfect drama for both children and adults.

May 9 - 8 PM
Spirited Away
(Sen to Chihiro no kamikakushi)

Japan, 2001, Rated PG
Color Animation, 125 min.
Directed by Hayao Miyazaki
Anime has a new hero. Chihiro is an adventurous little girl who must save her parents from some interesting spirits. With the help of a mysterious boy named Haku, she takes a job working at a resort for weary spirits. Chihiro searches for a way to break the spell the spirits put on her parents but strange characters and illogical actions make for a confusing journey through this beautifully animated world.

May 30 - 8 PM
Pauline & Paulette

France/Belgium/Netherlands, 2000, Rated PG
Color, 78 min. Dutch with English subtitles
Directed by Lieven Debrauwer
Dora van der Groen, Ann Petersen, Rosemarie Bergmans, Julienne De Bruyn
Pauline is 66 and lives with her sister Martha. Live is happy with all the comforts of home and visits to see her other sisters, Paulette and Cecile. Then suddenly Martha dies leaving Pauline's fate in question since neither sister wants to take on Pauline. Pauline is mentally challenged and they fear she would disrupt their comfortable lives. But Martha's will has a stipulation that they will not receive any inheritance if Pauline is put in a home. Can the family find a happy solution?

Spring 2003 Series

June 13 - 8 PM
Elling

Norway, 2001, Rated R
Color, 98 min. Norwegian with English subtitles
Directed by Petter Næss
Per Christian Ellefsen, Sven Nordin, Marit Pia Jacobsen
Elling is an agoraphobic with a poet's heart. Kjell is a lug of a guy in search of female companionship. The two are released from the mental institution to live together in the 'real world' as roommates. Humor and unexpected friendships develop as they conquer the simplest of tasks and the boldest of moves towards independent living. Oscar nominated and winner of Seattle Film Festival's Best Film award in 2002.

June 27 - 8 PM
Joint Security Area

South Korea, 2000, Not rated
Color, 110 min. Korean with English subtitles
Directed by Chan_wook Park
Yeong_ae Lee, Byung_hun Lee, Kang_ho Song
The 38th parallel in Korea is a tension filled zone with military on both sides watchfully aware of the movements of the other. A 'cease-fire' area was created, designated the Joint Security Area, where prisoners-of-war could be exchanged across the Bridge of No Return. When two soldiers end up dead and another is wounded an investigation ensues. The stories told by the shooter and a wounded soldier differ dramatically. What really happened one bloody night in the JSA?

March 28 - 8 PM
The Miracle of Morgan's Creek

USA, 1944, Not rated
B & W, 99 min.
Directed by Preston Sturges
Eddie Bracken, Betty Hutton, Diana Lynn, William Demarest
Trudy Kockenlocker is a patriotic gal who just loves to entertain the GIs before they get sent off to war. A problem arrives when she wakes up the next morning with a hangover and a wedding ring. Problem is that she can't recall the gentleman she married and after some time it's apparent she's pregnant. What's a girl to do? Sturges blends screwball comedy with a bit of slapstick and social commentary to give us this classic from Hollywood

April 25 - 8 PM
Requiem for a Dream

USA, 2000, Rated R
Color, 102 min.
Directed by Darren Aronofsky
Ellen Burstyn, Jared Leto, Jennifer Connelly
Sara is an aging woman who turns to barbiturates to fit into her red dress. While she's popping pills her son, Harry, has his own heroin habit to feed. He spirals into depraved behavior to get his high. Harry's girlfriend, Marion, gets pulled deeper into her own addiction driving her to do some seriously disturbing things she never thought she'd do. Aronofsky (Pi) is a dramatic storyteller with a visually unflinching gift for showing the truly horrific nature of addictions. A powerful film that will stay with you ... and scare you awake.

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