

May 14, 2007

To: Jim Swartz, Dean of the College
From: Matthew Kluber, Chair, Cultural Film Committee
Re: Annual Report (2006-07)

The Cultural Film Committee, consisting of Shuchi Kapila, Thomas Pegelow Kaplan, and myself, has co-sponsored various activities in addition to our regular screenings of a wide variety of films this year.

In November, we screened the Chinese Film, *The Opium War* in conjunction with Asian History Month, In February we showed two films, *Touch the Sound* and *Dirty, Filthy Love*, in collaboration with Disability Awareness Week.

Before the spring semester started, we sent out a call for film titles to faculty, asking them to suggest films “that can serve your curricular needs, enhance major campus events, internationalize or diversify the film offerings on campus, or are just classic must-sees,” and received enthusiastic responses. I am enclosing at the end of this report the films we have screened for this academic year for your reference.

I would like to take a moment to thank my two colleagues working on the committee, Shuchi and Thomas, for their diligence and support. I would also like to thank Jan Graham, who took care of all the administrative details such as keeping track of the films that we ordered, reserving room, notifying the Campus Memo, and designing posters for each film. Thanks to her meticulous attention and tireless work, we managed to avoid serious mishaps this year as I believe we did have fewer scheduling problems than last year in regards to our film distributors. I also like to express my appreciation of the AV Center staff who helped us greatly with our film screening, and indeed showed a remarkable improvement in organization from two years ago.

Below are the films we have presented this school year:

Fall 2006

Date	Title	Country/Year	Distributor
8/25-8/27	Maria Full of Grace	USA/Colombia/2004	Facets
9/1-9/3	Before the Rain	Republic of Macedonia/France/1994	Facets
9/8-9/10	The City of God	Brazil/2002	Facets
9/15-9/17 (Family Weekend)	Little Otik	Czech Republic/Great Britain/2000	Facets
9/22-9/24	Rosenstrasse	Germany/2003	Facets
9/29-10/1	Earth	India/1998	Facets
10/6-10/8	A Chinese Ghost Story: The Tsui Hark Animation	Hong Kong/1994	Facets

10/27-10/29	Nosferatu	Germany/1922	Facets
11/3-11/5 (Asian History Month)	The Opium War	China/1997	Facets
11/10-11/12	Wedding in Galilee	Belgium/France/Palestine, 1987	Facets
11/17-11/19	Three Crowns of the Sailor	France/1982	Facets
12/1-12/3	Yidl in the Middle: Growing Up Jewish in Iowa	USA/1999	New Day Films

Spring 2007

Date	Title	Country/Year	Distributor
1/26-1/28	Intimate Stories	Argentina/2002	Facets
2/2-2/4	Whale Rider	New Zealand/2002	Facets
2/9-2/11	La Dolce Vita	Italy/1961	Facets
2/16-9/18	Touch the Sound	Germany/2004	Facets
2/23-2/25	Dirty, Filthy Love	Great Britain/2004	Facets
3/2-3/4	Happy Times	China/2002	Facets
3/9-10/11	Wrestling with Manhood. Boys, Bullying & Battering	USA/2002	Burling Listening Room
4/6-4/8	My Architect	USA/2003	Facets
4/13-4/15	Yossi and Jagger	Israel/2002	Facets
4/20-4/22	The Wicker Man	Great Britain/1973	Facets
4/27-4/29	Charulata	India/1964	Facets
5/4-5/6	Trace of Stones (Spur der Steine)	German/1966	Facets

Respectfully,

Matthew Kluber