












Ages 13-15






2011 Children's Film Festival Schedule







The 28th annual Chicago International Children's Film Festival (CICFF), taking place October 21-30, is the largest festival of film for children in North America. Hailed as the "Cannes for Kids," the CICFF was the first children's film festival in the world designated by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences as an Academy Award qualifying festival! This schedule lists all of the feature-length and short films for ages thirteen to fifteen.

Full festival schedule and tickets available online at www.facets.org/kids

Saturday, October 22		
<p>1:00 pm Max Palevsky Cinema</p>	<p>Single by Contract KOSTJA ULLMANN ANNA FISCHER</p> 	<p>When Lila, an ordinary German teen, meets dreamy Chriz, the two have an instant connection. What Lila doesn't know, however, is that Chriz is a huge rock star whose contract states that he must remain single. When the newspapers get wind of their relationship, Chriz finds his career in jeopardy and suspects Lila of leaking the story. Will they be able to reconcile love and fame? (105 min, screened in German)</p>
<p>3:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>Flix by Kids I</p> 	<p>Young people want to save the world, too! After watching people litter the park day after day, a statue decides to take action. A young filmmaker explores an often-ignored problem: the difficulty of finding healthy food in certain parts of the city. Another film takes us back in time to hear the stories of child laborers working in coal mines. In these short movies by budding filmmakers, kids make an impact on the world around them. (71 min 9 Films)</p>
<p>5:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>Stick to It</p> 	<p>The Sand Creature begins a long-distance romance with his Snow counterpart, and they go to surprising lengths to be together. Follow a boy and his new friend on the Monarch Butterfly Migration in this magical Mexican story. Hally is persistent in trying to make sense of an infinite number and learns to start with the individual. If you keep at it, the rewards are huge! (74 min 6 Films)</p>
<p>7:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>Rock It!</p> 	<p>Are you a fan of "the Biebs"? Then check out Disney Germany's newest stars in this school of rock! While attending a special private school, classical piano prodigy Julia develops a new interest - in rock music. Julia's mad keyboard skills impress a local band, and songwriting becomes her passion...as does the band's frontman, Nick. Julia creates an alternate persona, but what happens when worlds collide? Rock out with this stellar musical where everything old is new again. (99 min, screened in German)</p>

Sunday, October 23		
<p>1:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>The Italian Key</p> 	<p>Left orphaned and unfulfilled after the death of her guardian Max, Cabella travels to Italy to discover her origins, armed with only a key and an address. She soon finds the villa to which the key belongs, and begins making new friends in the surrounding town - including the ghost of a nine-year-old chimney sweep. Cabella learns more about the mysterious woman who once lived in the villa - and, in doing so, unlocks the secrets of her own past. (99 min, screened in English)</p>
<p>5:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>A Cat in Paris</p> 	<p>How do you say "meow" in French? In Paris, Zoe's mom is a police detective on an important case of cat burglary. And Zoe's cat Dino leads a feline double life of his own! One night after bedtime, Zoe follows Dino out into the city and meets the infamous thief - who isn't as evil as she thought. As Zoe befriends the burglar with a heart of gold, the ragtag group prowls around the city in a thrilling adventure of cops and robbers, Parisian style. C'est si bon! (64 min, screened in English)</p>
Monday, October 24		
<p>7:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>Cutting Edge Junior</p> 	<p>Arnaud's brand new glasses will finally correct his blurry vision, but is seeing the world clearly more interesting than his imagination? Esterhazy has spent his whole life eating chocolate. Maj wants a real family, but her uncle Sonny is too preoccupied with his tattoo artistry. Will she find happiness with her new woodland fairy friends - or will she finally realize how much Sonny cares about her? The grass isn't always greener in this collection of beautiful short films. (83 min 4 Films)</p>
<p>9:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>New Directions</p> 	<p>As we follow David on his unique coming of age journey, we see what it means to be Chinese, Dutch, AND Jewish. And one young lady finds it's very stressful - not to mention impractical - to be remarkable all the time! There's more to most people than meets the eye; delve a little deeper and you'll be surprised what you find. (83 min 5 Films)</p>
Wednesday, October 26		
<p>7:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>My Grandpa, the Bankrobber</p> 	<p>Grace has always wanted to know all about her Surinamese father, whom she has never met. But none of her Dutch relatives will even talk to her about him - except for her grandfather. After the death of Grace's grandmother, the family decides the grandfather can no longer care for himself. Grace must fight to keep her grandfather out of a nursing home or face never knowing about her father. The strength of the family bond will be tested in this surprising and heartwarming film. (85 min)</p>

Thursday, October 27		
<p>9:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Jig</p> 	<p>Dancing is more than fun for the kids in this documentary - it's serious business! As the 40th Irish Dancing World Championships draw nearer, kids and teenagers from all over the world rehearse and prepare day and night. How will these dedicated dancers fare when pitted against the best in the world? Learn about the culture, history and future of Irish step-dancing, a vibrant art form, as you root for your favorites to do their best! (90 min)</p>
Friday, October 28		
<p>10:00 am Patio Theater</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Rock It!</p> 	<p>Are you a fan of "The Biebs"? Then check out Disney Germany's newest stars in this School of Rock! While attending a special private school, classical piano prodigy Julia develops a new interest—in rock music! Julia's mad keyboard skills impress a local band, and songwriting becomes her passion...along with the band's frontman, Nick. Julia creates an alternate rock persona—but what happens when worlds collide? Sing and dance along with this musical where everything old is new again! (99 min)</p>
<p>11:45 am Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">It's the Write Time</p> 	<p>Witness the power of the written and spoken word as it transforms lives in these short films. Oral Historian Studs Terkel recounts a time when the voice of a child saved the day. Joe expresses his feelings for Kaitlyn through a handwritten letter; she doesn't know what to make of it! An avid bookworm is swept away into world where books come to life. Celebrate the magic of imagination and communication. (77 min)</p>
<p>7:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Single by Contract <small>KOSTJA ULLMANN ANNA FISCHER</small></p> 	<p>When Lila, an ordinary German teen, meets dreamy Chriz, the two have an instant connection. What Lila doesn't know, however, is that Chriz is a huge rock star whose contract states that he must remain single. When the newspapers get wind of their relationship, Chriz finds his career in jeopardy and suspects Lila of leaking the story. Will they be able to reconcile love and fame? Find out in this fun musical romance! (105 min, screened in German)</p>
Saturday, October 29		
<p>1:00 pm Max Palevsky Cinema</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">A Cat in Paris</p> 	<p>How do you say "meow" in French? In Paris, Zoe's mom is a police detective on an important case of cat burglary. And Zoe's cat Dino leads a feline double life of his own! One night after bedtime, Zoe follows Dino out into the city and meets the thief - who isn't as evil as she thought. Zoe befriends the burglar with a heart of gold and prowls the city in a thrilling adventure of cops and robbers, Parisian style. (64 min, screened in English)</p>

Saturday, October 29 (cont'd)		
1:00 pm Center on Halsted	Who's Got Your Back? 	Sometimes it's hard to know where to turn when things get rocky. Sosefina just wants to fit in. How will she handle it when her large and loud family wants to throw her a birthday party? And Isabella and Ronja's friendship is tested when an old flame comes between them. Hopefully the family's dance school can teach them some steps to escape a sticky situation! When the going gets tough, who's got your back? (76 min 6 Films)
3:00 pm Center on Halsted	Dream to the Extreme 	Rob Dyer's skateboard journey across the vast roads of Canada inspires more than his peers. And three kids get the chance to try out their dream jobs. Are they still excited after they've had a chance to see what being a hotel manager, pilot, or drummer is all about? With a goal in mind, you can push yourself to great things! (75 min 7 Films)
5:00 pm Facets Multi-Media	Don't Judge 	Kyle has a quirky collection he's pursued with a passion, and he refuses to let bullies get him down. A round girl struggles to fit in a world of squares. And a world traveler finds himself in a land where people don't care about the cool cola brand. How you see yourself matters more than letting others tell you who you are. (78 min 6 Films)
5:00 pm Center on Halsted	Where I'm Comin From 	Can four sisters stuck in the backseat together on a family car trip actually end up having fun? Despite her family's frugal life, Anuschka dreams of wearing a beautiful dress at her dad's wedding. And Eugenio's new moustache has him rethinking just what family he belongs to! Chances are wherever you're coming from, your family's got your back. (83 min 6 Films)
7:00 pm Facets Multi-Media	Devil's Kickers 	Moritz loves soccer more than anything else in the world. But when he and his mother go to live with his grandfather, he must look for a new team, and decides to start a team that includes all of his school's outcasts! With the help of his cranky but supportive grandfather, they begin to play well together. But can they beat their town rivals, led by a rich and powerful coach? Find out in this delightful film that's fun for soccer fans and lovers of scrappy underdog tales alike! (95 min)
9:00 pm Facets Multi-Media	World Behind My Wall 	Jon and his father come up with a clever way to stay connected to a lost loved one. A world-weary traveler gains insight by exploring a gorgeously animated simpler life. And two teens unravel when their favorite band member is not where he ought to be. Sometimes you have to get outside your head to find your true heart. (75 min 4 Films)