












Ages 5-8


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 children ages five through eight.

Saturday, October 22		
<p>9:30 am Max Palevsky Cinema, University of Chicago</p>	<p>Elias and the Treasure of the Sea</p> 	<p>Fans of <i>Thomas the Tank Engine</i> and <i>Cars</i> will love this film about a plucky young rescue boat named Elias, who's on a mission to make sure his village of Cozy Cove catches enough fish. Obstacles arise when the Polar Queen, a ship that works for the huge corporation Polar Harbor Fishybusiness, arrives in town and begins to out-fish the old-fashioned boats of Cozy Cove. Will Elias find a way to save his town? Find out in this musical adventure about bravery, friendship, and community! (80 min)</p>
<p>11:00 am Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>Family 4ever!</p> 	<p>Each family has its own special traditions - and they have more in common than meets the eye. Sassy schoolteacher Miss Devine shares a couple of things about her Florida upbringing. Grandpa has a silly test to make new friends that nobody in the family forgets. And Giant Dad teaches his daughter that size is relative, in more ways than one. Join this gang as they share what brings them together. (75 min 12 Films)</p>
Sunday, October 23		
<p>11:00 am Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>Twigson Ties the Knot</p> 	<p>When Junior's mom gets into a bike accident and ends up in the hospital, Junior and his twig friend, Twigson, decide to investigate with the help of Junior's pal and her twig friend Karoline. They suspect various people around town, seeking out clues until they come to the conclusion that the new family in town must be responsible. They soon find they've been mistaken, however, and are shocked to discover the true culprits. Junior and Twigson learn lessons along the way about the danger of jumping to conclusions. (72 min)</p>
Tuesday, October 25		
<p>7:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>Crème of the Crop I</p> 	<p>By being clever and sneaky, a lightning rod thief outsmarts the police...or does he? A mouse faces a hungry lion - and finds a way to come out on top. And in a new spin on a classic tale, three pigs best a big, bad wolf. These French short films feature innovative animation and clever characters who know how to take control! (71 min 12 Films)</p>

Saturday, October 29		
9:30 am Facets Multi-Media	Little Grey Fergie and His New Friend Clunky 	Fergie is an old tractor with a big secret: he's alive! Longing for a friend like himself, he's excited when his owner begins building a robotic scarecrow named Clunky. But he grows jealous when his owner begins favoring Clunky, entering him in the local fair's invention competition. Fergie hatches a scheme to sabotage Clunky, but is surprised when two thieves get involved with plans of their own for the scarecrow. Will Fergie be able to overcome his jealousy and save the day? (80 min)
9:30 am Center on Halsted	The Sandman and the Lost Sand of Dreams 	When the Sandman's sand is stolen by a nightmare, all of Somnia - the land of dreams - is in danger! Dreamland's only hope is for Captain Scheerbart, a brave sailor from the wake world, to return the sand to its rightful owner. The Sandman sends Nepomuk, a silly counting sheep, to find the captain and ask him for his help. But when the clumsy sheep mistakes the captain for his six year old grandson, little Miko must face his greatest fears in order to save the day. (83 min)
11:00 am Facets Multi-Media	Open Your Eyes 	Young Emil is really stuck on orange - it's the best color, no doubt about it! But can he learn to value the whole wide spectrum of the rainbow? Meanwhile, a young Princess who loves to paint learns to see the world in a new way. If you open your eyes, there's no telling what you'll take in! (71 min 11 Films)
11:00 am Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum	Rooftop Garden 	Liam's little garden spreads bit by bit across the city's dreary rooftops, creating a whole new rooftop community! Eskimal and his walrus friend are trying to stop the sky from cracking. And Sid and the gang are back in a world-premiere episode of their musical television series - with the help of Miss Susie and his classmates, Sid "rocks out" with geology! When we learn about our environment, we want to protect it even more. (71 min 6 Films)
Sunday, October 30		
9:30 am Music Box Theatre	Princess Lillifee and the Little Unicorn 	When the magical fairy princess Lillifee is entrusted with a baby unicorn named Lucy, she knows it is her duty to return the baby to her parents. But where is a princess to start? With a little help from her friends, and a few wishes come true thanks to Lucy, Lillifee is able to locate Lucy's parents - but not before discovering that they are prisoners of the evil Prince Steel, who has turned everything to ice in the land of Blutopia! Join the Princess and her pals in pink sparkly splendor in this fun sequel to the Festival's 2009 animated feature. (78 min)

Sunday, October 30 (cont'd)

<p>1:00 pm Facets Multi-Media</p>	<p>Flix By Kids II</p> 	<p>Have you ever had something go differently than you planned? A worm looking for a job finds a position he didn't bargain for. When a submarine sailor sneaks onto another ship, we soon learn that he's after something much sillier than expected. After running into a tree on her broom, a witch discovers that even plants don't like to be messed with. Nothing is as it seems in this fun and wacky collection of shorts produced by kids just like you! (63 min 17 Films)</p>
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