

Facets Children's Programs Presents

Chicago International Children's Film Festival

2011 School & Group Schedule
October 21-28



Locations



Facets Multi-Media

1517 W. Fullerton Ave., Chicago

Friday, October 21 and Monday through Friday, October 24 – 28 at 9:45AM & 11:45AM

Additional screenings can be arranged Monday through Friday, October 31 to November 23. Morning and afternoon screening times available!

Facets is located 1 block east of Ashland, on Fullerton.



The Patio Theater

6008 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago

Friday, October 21 and Monday through Friday, October 24 – 28 at 10AM

The Patio Theater is located 10 minutes west of the Expressway on Irving Park.



Thorne Auditorium

Northwestern University Campus - 375 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago

Tuesday through Friday October 25 – 28 at 9:45AM & 11:45AM.

Thorne Auditorium is located on the corner of Chicago Ave. and Lake Shore Drive.



Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum

2430 N. Cannon Drive, Chicago

Friday, October 21 and Friday, October 28 at 9:45AM & 11:45AM.

Includes admission to the Museum!

The Nature Museum is just off of Lake Shore Drive at Cannon & Fullerton.



Instituto Cervantes

31 W. Ohio St., Chicago

Monday, October 24 at 9:45AM & 11:45AM.

Instituto Cervantes is located on Ohio between Dearborn and State Streets.

Dear Educators,

Are you looking for an affordable field trip that will make a real impact on your students' learning? What better way to inspire and captivate young minds than through the magic of movies?

Join us for the 28th annual Chicago International Children's Film Festival (CICFF) and use the power of media to engage and entertain your students while enhancing your classroom work. As the largest and longest running children's film festival in North America, the CICFF discovers the best in world cinema, raising the bar for multicultural, quality film programming for young people.

The Festival's interactive film programs address skills in areas such as:

- **Language Arts:** Critical Thinking, Writing and Higher Order Thinking Skills
- **Social Science:** Heritage, Global Cultures and Cross-Cultural Understanding
- **Fine Arts:** Filmmaking Activities, Drawing and Media Literacy
- **Social Emotional:** Values Clarification, Character Building and Empathy Development
- **Foreign Languages:** Communication, Culture and Geography
- **Science:** Scientific Inquiry, Concepts and Technology in Society

Each program is supported by a comprehensive curriculum, with stimulating post-film discussions led by the Festival's trained media educators. Over 100 international filmmakers and actors also attend, leading interactive Q&A's following many screenings.

Participating educators receive a free 130-page curriculum guide with Learning and Assessment Plans aligned with Illinois Learning Standards to relate film to schoolwork and to further expand your students' learning after the Festival.

Festival Highlights:

- More than 240 of the best films and videos for children from over 40 countries.
- Film programs tailored specifically to each grade level.
- My First Movies! programs now scheduled for Pre-K and Kindergarten classes.
- Films celebrating cultural diversity, including:
 - **Proud to Be Me:** Stories of African and African-American Children
 - **Español Para Todos:** Spanish Language Program
- Free curriculum aligned with Illinois Learning Standards.
- Invitations to Professional Development Workshops (with CPDU credits) for attending educators.

We hope to see YOU there!

For additional information, or to book your field trip, please contact 773-281-9075 ext. 3009 or fldtrips@facets.org.

The 28th Annual Chicago International Children's Film Festival

Festival Weekday Screenings

Friday, October 21 and Monday – Friday, October 24 – 28, 2011 (9:45AM, 10:00AM & 11:45AM).

Additional “Post-Festival” Screening Dates

Weekdays, October 31 – November 23, 2011

If your group cannot make it during the Festival, these dates are available to reserve a screening that fits your schedule best!

Tickets

Tickets are \$6.00 per child for groups of 25 or more. Group leaders and chaperones attend for free! *Additional charges may apply.*

Refreshments

Pre-arranged soda and popcorn packages are available at Facets and the Patio Theater. Refreshment package must be ordered IN ADVANCE if desired.

Reserve Your Group!

1. Check the program Grade Level Index on page 5.
2. Select a program.
3. Contact Doug Newton, Group Sales Coordinator, at 773-281-9075 ext. 3009 or fldtrips@facets.org to make your reservation or get more information on screenings. You can also fill out the Group Reservation Form (page 3 and 4) and fax to 773-929-0266. We will be in touch to coordinate your screening!

Curriculum Guide

Our Curriculum Guide is free for teachers who attend the Festival. This valuable teaching tool is written to align with Illinois Learning Standards.

Program Guidance

Grade Level Index

These are suggested for each program and are offered as a general guideline only.

Symbols will be used to mark programs that contain mild profanity (P), mild violence (V), or mature themes (M), relative to the suggested age range of the program.



Premiere Status

The following symbols indicate a premiere presentation of a film or other special event.

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Subtitles? No Problem!

Professional actors will read the English subtitles of foreign-language films aloud in programs for Pre-K through 3rd Grade (ages 2-9).

Questions?

Contact “Kidsfest” at 773-281-9075 ext. 3011, or email to kidsfest@facets.org. Visit us online at www.facets.org/kids.

Group Registration Form

2011 Chicago International Children's Film Festival c/o Facets Multi-Media, Inc. 1517 W. Fullerton Ave. Chicago, IL 60614
tel 773-281-9075 ext. 3009 fax 773-929-0266 kidsfest@facets.org or fldtrips@facets.org www.facets.org/kids

Group Contact Information

Name _____

School/Organization _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Work phone _____ Cell phone _____ Home phone _____

It can be difficult to contact teachers during business hours... personal numbers are a big help!

E-mail _____ Fax _____

Other contact (name & number) _____

At school or organization

Group Information

Number of children in group _____ Age range _____ Grade _____

Number of adult chaperones _____

Teachers and adult chaperones are admitted free of charge. There must be at least one chaperone per every 10 children. Additional fees may apply if student:chaperone ratio exceeds 10:1

Screening Information

Festival Screenings: October 21, 24-28

Post-Festival Screenings: Weekdays, October 31 - November 23

Date _____ Day of the week _____ Time _____

Program _____

Locations

Facets Multi-Media — 1517 W. Fullerton Ave., Chicago

The Patio Theater — 6008 West Irving Park Road, Chicago

Thorne Auditorium — Northwestern University Campus - 375 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago

Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum — 2430 N. Cannon Drive, Chicago

Instituto Cervantes — 31 W. Ohio St., Chicago

Refreshments

A refreshment package (one small popcorn & one small soda) is available at Facets and The Patio Theater. Refreshment packages MUST be pre-arranged with the Group Sales Coordinator. This refreshment package is \$3.00 per person (student & chaperone).

_____ Yes, my screening is at Facets or The Patio Theater and our group would like to pre-arrange refreshment packages.

Number of refreshment packages: _____ @ \$3.00 each = _____

Refreshment restriction notes (no caffeine, etc.): _____

Ticket Information & Pricing

Regular Admissions—\$7.00 per student
 Groups of 25 or more—\$6.00 per student
 Teachers & Chaperones—Free*

Number of students

Group 25+	<input type="text"/>	@ \$6.00 = \$	<input type="text"/>
Groups of less than 25	<input type="text"/>	@ \$7.00 = \$	<input type="text"/>
Number of adult chaperones	<input type="text"/>	= Free*	<input type="text"/>
Additional Fees <small>Fees may apply for additional chaperones.*</small>		= \$	<input type="text"/>
Group tickets total		= \$	<input type="text"/>
Deposit due (30% of ticket total)		= \$	<input type="text"/>
Ticket balance (due day of screening)		= \$	<input type="text"/>
Refreshment packages (Facets and The Patio Theater only) <small>Refreshment packages MUST be pre-arranged with Group Sales Coordinator</small>	<input type="text"/>	@ \$3.00 = \$	<input type="text"/>
Total due day of screening			<input type="text"/>

*Free chaperones are based on an approximate 10:1 ratio of students to teachers.
 Fees may apply for additional chaperones.

Payment Information

Payment Method (check one): CHECK/CASH MASTERCARD VISA AMEX DISCOVER

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name on Card: _____ Authorizing Signature: _____

Group Screening Agreement

Please read & initial each of the following...

- I understand that my group should arrive at the theater 15 minutes before showtime. If my group arrives late, I understand that the program will have started. Films must start on time and will not be delayed for missing or late groups regardless of their size and/or circumstance.
- I understand that my school or organization is responsible for all transportation arrangements.
- I understand that deposit refunds are only available to groups who cancel 10 business days before their attendance dates.

I (signature) _____ of (school or group) _____

verify that I am authorized to book a program for the CICFF and understand all of the policies outlined above.

Questions?

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Suggested Grade Ranges

Pre-K & Kindergarten

Thinkin' it Thru

Friday, October 21 9:45AM
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
61 min Ages 2-5 (Grades Pre-K & K), p. 6

My Get-Along Gang

Monday, October 24 9:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
62 min Ages 2-5 (Grades Pre-K & K), p. 7

What Comes Next?

Friday, October 28 9:45AM
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
58 min Ages 2-5 (Grades Pre-K & K), p.14

Grades 1 – 3

Welcome to My Neighborhood

Friday, October 21 11:45AM
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
73 min Ages 6-9 (Grades 1-3), p. 7

It's What I Like About You

Tuesday, October 25 9:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
71 min Ages 6-9 (Grades 1-3), p. 9

Grades 4 – 6

Español Para Todos: Bacalar

Monday, October 24 9:45AM
Instituto Cervantes
99 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 8

Koko & the Ghosts

Monday, October 24 10:00AM
The Patio Theater
90 min Ages 10-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 8

We Can Do It!

Monday, October 24 11:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
75 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 8

Español Para Todos: Bacalar

Monday, October 24 11:45AM
Instituto Cervantes
99 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 9

Proud to Be Me: Lionel

Tuesday, October 25 9:45AM
Thorne Auditorium
86 min Ages 9-12+ (Grades 4-6), p. 9

I am Kalam

Tuesday, October 25 10:00AM
The Patio Theater
87 min Ages 9-12+ (Grades 4-6), p.10

Big Sister, Big Brother

Tuesday, October 25 11:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
73 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p.10

Behind the Masks

Wednesday, October 26 9:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
75 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 11

It Takes a Village

Wednesday, October 26 9:45AM
Thorne Auditorium
74 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 11

The Great Bear

Wednesday, October 26 11:45AM
Thorne Auditorium
73 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 12

If You Want to Sing Out

Thursday, October 27 9:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
75 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 12

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Thursday, October 27 9:45AM
Thorne Auditorium
83 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 13

The Magicians

Thursday, October 27 10:00AM
The Patio Theater
90 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 13

Word Up!

Friday, October 28 9:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
73 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 14

The Star Talers

Thursday, October 27 11:45AM
Thorne Auditorium
59 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p.14

Rock It!

Friday, October 28 10:00AM
The Patio Theater
99 min Ages 11+ (Grades 5+), p.15

Proud to Be Me: Stories of African and African-American Lives (9-12)

Friday, October 28 11:45AM
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
60 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6), p. 16

Grades 6 – 8

Changes, Changes

Friday, October 21 9:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
73 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8), p. 6

My Girlhood

Friday, October 21 10:00AM
The Patio Theater
105 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8), p. 6

Big 56 min

shown w/ **Flawed** 13 mins
Tuesday, October 25 11:45AM
Thorne Auditorium
69 min total. 11-13+ (Grades 6-8), p.10

Winter's Daughter

Wednesday, October 26 10:00AM
The Patio Theater
95 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8), p.11

Neighbors Off the Grid

Wednesday, October 26 11:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
73 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8), p. 12

Proud to Be Me: Stories of African and African-American Lives (Ages 11-13+)

Thursday, October 27 11:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
68 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8), p. 13

It's the Write Time

Friday, October 28 11:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
77 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8), p.15

A Cat in Paris

Friday, October 28 11:45AM
Thorne Auditorium
60 min Ages 10+ (Grades 5+), p. 16

High School

Rear View Mirror

Friday, October 21 11:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
73 min, Ages 14+ (High School), p. 7

Friday, October 21:



Friday, October 21 9:45AM
 Facets Multi-Media
Changes, Changes
 73 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8)

Differences on the outside sometimes call for a shift in how we look at things. Matthew is just your average kid detective, with one big difference: he's visually impaired. But that doesn't stop him from being a great private eye – in fact, his other super senses make him the best kid sleuth around! A farmer thinks he can make gold out of any object, but is consumed by greed in the process. Meanwhile, visitors to a creepy English home change into unexpected creatures. Transformations can be good or bad - it all depends on how you take control.

Junk (England) 7 min

What Remains (USA) 6 min

Pumpkins and Old Lace
 (Canada) 9 min

Worm (England) 11 min

Rubika (France) 6 min

Head Dwellers Part 4: Head Organization and Storage
 (Hungary) 3 min

The Alchemist (Iran) 11 min

The Lighthouse (Taiwan ROC) 8 min

Private Eyes (Canada) 12 min

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Friday, October 21 9:45AM
 Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
Thinkin' it Thru
 61 min Ages 2-5 (Grades Pre-K & K)

I want to do it myself! All Tristan wants is to be able to tie his own shoes so he can play outside with everyone else. And when Pickels the Pig plays by the river, how can he help the other animals get the water they need, too? With a little extra thought, you can solve any problem - and get out of any pickle!

Gadget Boy (USA) 2 min

Collective Conciousness (Brazil) 2 min

Friends Forever: "Snail"
 (Germany) 4 min

Silly Bitty Bunny (France) 4 min

Miriam's Broken Picture (Estonia) 5 min

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle (USA) 4 min

Adventures with Saku (Finland) 5 min

Kitchen Wars (Taiwan ROC) 5 min

Cuckoo for Two (USA) 5 min

Shoelace (Australia) 8 min

Spot and Splodge: "At the Dentist"

(Sweden) 8 min

Pickels in a Pickle (Germany) 9 min

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Friday, October 21 10:00AM
 The Patio Theater
My Girlhood (China)
 105 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8)

Set in Maoist revolution era China, this inspiring film tells the story of Fang Dan, a physically challenged young woman who dreams of becoming a doctor and helping people who have struggled just like her. Fang Dan is confined to her room, but her devoted friend Li Jiang visits her every day and brings her books and comfort. When Fang Dan's parents are targeted by revolutionaries, the family is forced to relocate to a remote rural area. Fang Dan is given the opportunity to use her medical knowledge and ancient alternative healing methods—but will her friendship with Li Jiang survive separation? Vistas of the Chinese countryside provide a beautiful backdrop to this emotional journey of love and healing.

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Friday, October 21:



Friday, October 21 11:45AM
Facets Multi-Media
Rear View Mirror
73 min Ages 14+ (*High School*)

If you know what's behind you, you know where to set your course. In Nazi-occupied Prague, Yann realizes that while he cannot deny where he came from, he must make the decision to move forward. Feisty Kay Wang's anecdotes explain how her spirited attitude carried her through school and into life. In a world of blurred images and lights, a boy longs for a companion; on a ferry he makes a crossing not only from one landmass to other, but also from loneliness to friendship. Sometimes checking the rear view can be the best way to move ahead.

No More Questions (USA) 5 min

The Circus (Canada) 7 min

The Human Voice (USA) 3 min

Crossing (England) 13 min

Sabeel (Arab Emirates) 20 min

A Son's War (Czech Republic/USA)
25 min

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Friday, October 21 11:45AM
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
Welcome to My Neighborhood
73 min Ages 6-9 (*Grades 1-3*)

Won't you be my neighbor? Team up with the friendly folks next door and learn the joys of helping out. Two boys build a house together and find that putting up walls only leads to dividing their friendship. Through teamwork and good will, the little Acorn Boy helps to build a better community after a storm. Being a good neighbor leads to happy endings for all!

Left Out (USA) 2 min

Carlotta and the Cloud (Germany) 7 min

Dog-Walking Ground (Russia) 8 min

Angelo Rules (France/South Korea) 8 min

Laban the Little Ghost: "Laban's Picnic"
(Sweden) 8 min

Chicken Little (USA) 8 min

Who's There (Slovak Republic) 10 min

Acorn Boy (Latvia) 10 min

Sule and the Case of the Tiny Sparks
(USA) 12 min

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Monday, October 24:



Monday, October 24 9:45 AM
Facets Multi-Media
My Get-Along Gang
61 min Ages 2-5 (*Grades Pre-K & K*)

If you want to play Follow the Leader, you need someone you can really count on. When all the farm's hens entrust Franz the rooster to care for their eggs, his friend Johnny the mouse tries his best to help protect them. While looking for his lost soccer ball, Laban finds a baby bat and helps to care for it. Woolly the sheep tries to tell his best friend that following the recipe will make the best dessert for both of them. If you look behind you to care for others, you are the real "Line Leader"!

The Show with the Elephant: "Elephant and Bunny" (Germany) 4 min

Sharing (USA) 2 min

Don't Give Up (USA) 1 min

Fitting In (Canada) 3 min

Big Brother (Germany/Switzerland) 6 min

Hope Hippo & the Green Team (USA)
7 min

Spot and Splodge: "At the Dentist"
(Sweden) 8 min

Friends Forever: "Small but Mighty"
(Germany) 10 min

Laban the Little Ghost: "The Bat Baby"
(Sweden) 8 min

A Carrot for Two (Germany) 12 min

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Monday, October 24:



Monday, October 24 9:45 AM
Instituto Cervantes

Español Para Todos: Bacalar *(Mexico)*

99 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Animals and adventure await in southern Mexico! When three wolf cubs are stolen from the Potosi nature reserve, the Bacalar region attracts a nefarious gang of animal traffickers. The smugglers have fooled the authorities, but they didn't plan on ten-year-old friends and animal lovers Santiago and Mariana! With determination, teamwork, and a little help from mystical animal spirits, Santi and Mariana set out to save the cubs and make their home safe for all endangered species. Rawr!

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Monday, October 24 10:00 AM
The Patio Theater

Koko & the Ghosts *(Croatia)* 90 min Ages 10-12 (Grades 4-6)

Young Koko is already famous for fighting crime and solving mysteries in his small but beautiful Croatian town. When Koko moves to the city with his family, he thinks he is ready to solve any clue that lies ahead! One day, Koko's new friend Zlatko hears the haunting voice of the man who used to live in Koko's apartment. The two boys immediately set out to find the "ghost," but as the plot thickens, Koko must call on old and new friends to help him solve his toughest mystery yet!

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Monday, October 24 11:45 AM
Facets Multi-Media

We Can Do It!

75 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Each person has unique abilities they bring to solving problems. Dyslexia doesn't get one youngster down, as he figures out a system to overcome his situation. And the visually impaired Matthew has his own vision and sleuthing style to solve a mystery. Three teams must focus to overcome the challenges set before them and foil a Bronze Age Bandit in an Irish archeology game show. If you stay true your own approach, every challenge can be solved!

Mixtape (England) 3 min

Lexdysia (Norway/Poland) 4 min

Second Hand (Canada) 8 min

Private Eyes (Canada) 12 min

Monarch (Mexico) 8 min

What Makes Me Happy: "Tung's Film"
(England/Vietnam) 14 min

Ireland - Dig It! (Ireland) 26 min

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Tuesday, October 25:



Tuesday, October 25 9:45 AM
Facets Multi-Media

It's What I Like About You
71 min Ages 6-9 (Grades 1-3)

If you learn to accept others' differences, you gain a lot! Schoolgirl Molly always gets such a big lunch from Mom she can't finish it; when she shares her Bento Box, she shares her culture and makes a new pal on the playground. Young Sule teaches the tribe's inner circle a thing or two about accepting a new member into their group. When we let others join in our fun, we become even richer for it.

Mouse for Sale (Belgium) 5 min

Bob (Germany) 4 min

The Little Bear in the Rain (Japan) 5 min

Wild About Safety Smart: Healthy & Fit™
(USA) 12 min

Play Lunch (Australia) 10 min

Vincent (Taiwan ROC) 11 min

Sule and the Case of the Tiny Sparks
(USA) 12 min

Private Eyes (Canada) 12 min

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Tuesday, October 25 9:45 AM
Thorne Auditorium

Proud to Be Me: Lionel
(Switzerland)

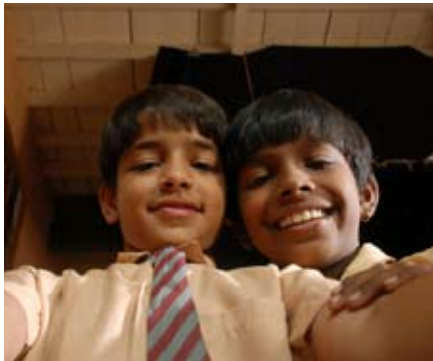
86 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Lionel is an African-Swiss boy who loves nothing more than spending time with his grandfather, who teaches him stories and traditions of his native land. When Grandfather dies, Lionel begins seeing lions everywhere—and on a fateful class trip to the zoo, a lion asks Lionel to help him escape to Africa. How far will Lionel go to maintain his special relationship with his grandfather? Cultural heritage meets current surroundings, as Lionel learns to reconcile his past and present in this affecting film.

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Tuesday, October 25:



Tuesday, October 25 10:00 AM
The Patio Theater
I am Kalam (India)
87 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

To help repay his mother's debts, the intelligent Chhotu must work at his Uncle Bhati's roadside restaurant. One day while delivering food to the palace, Chhotu meets young Prince Ravijay and the two become fast friends. But when the King mistakes Chhotu for a thief, it takes the power of Ravijay and Chhotu's new friendship to save Chhotu from exile. As the new friends learn, we all have so much to learn from one another, and the real wealth lies in forming connections with others.

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Tuesday, October 25 11:45 AM
Facets Multi-Media
Big Sister, Big Brother
73 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Being part of a family means sharing, even if your "family members" are new-found friends. Belarus siblings become part of a Dutch family for their best summer ever. Younger sister takes care of older in the case of Anjali and Manjari, who has a health issue. But it's the elder who gives a secret generous gift in the end. Family is what you make it, and these characters make it the most!

Mixtape (England) 3 min

The Tobaggan (Canada) 4 min

Big Brother (Switzerland/Germany) 6 min

Far from Home (Netherlands) 15 min

Sule and the Case of the Tiny Sparks (USA) 12 min

Duel of Angels (India) 18 min

The Stubborn Mule and the Remote Control (Brazil) 15 min

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Tuesday, October 25 11:45 AM
Thorne Auditorium
Big (Netherlands) 56 min
Shown with **Flawed** (Canada) 13 min
69 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8)

Life's not easy for Dylan and Frederieke, two overweight Dutch children, but they know things can get better if they try. They set off on a journey to a camp for kids like them, where they learn to share their struggles with others and face their problems at school and at home. Dylan and Frederieke come to understand how their obesity affects their friends, family and themselves. No matter what your body looks like, it's important to know that any goal can be achieved once you set your mind to it!

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Wednesday, October 26:



Wednesday, October 26 9:45 AM
Facets Multi-Media
Behind the Masks
72 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

What are the contents inside your favorite treats? Does Fred really need to change his look to hook his new girlfriend? And on Halloween, two circus children just want to be like “regular kids” for trick or treating - what kind of costumes will they wear? Go a bit further behind appearances and you will be transformed!

Floyd the Android (USA) 4 min

Bob (Germany) 4 min

Hallow’s Eve and the Pumpkin Dream
(USA) 3 min

Lucky Fred: “Close Shave”
(France) 12 min

Nine-and-a-Half: “Faked Food”
(Germany) 10 min

Orange O Despair (France) 4 min

Specky Four Eyes (France) 9 min

The Storm Cloud Odyssey: “Latuse’s Button” (Poland) 13 min

Regular Kids (USA) 13 min

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Wednesday, October 26 9:45 AM
Thorne Auditorium
It Takes a Village
74 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Finding new traditions can be the best part of sharing with friends and family. Anuschka’s dad and stepmom-to-be prepare for their wedding, and everyone in the family joins in the planning. Chung gains more than just an understanding of a foreign place from his visit to Indonesia. And when it turns out the Big Bad Wolf is actually a protected species, Paul finds it’s time for a new twist on the old fairy tale.

Miss Devine (USA) 4 min

A Dress for Anuschka
(Netherlands) 16 min

Bob (Germany) 4 min

Friends at 2,000 Miles Away
(Taiwan ROC) 21 min

Animals Up to the Roof: “The Wolf is Coming” (Germany) 29 min

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Wednesday, October 26 10:00 AM
The Patio Theater
Winter’s Daughter
(Germany/Poland)
95 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8)

When Katharina decides to find her biological father, her adoptive parents send her to Poland with their landlady, Mrs. Graumann. Along the way, Katharina starts to doubt her own courage—until Mrs. Graumann reveals her own secret history of being robbed of her national identity in World War II. Inspired by the courage of Mrs. Graumann and her people, Katharina resolves to complete her path and face her fears. This touching story proves that history can shape identity, family isn’t always biological, and the choices we make now can affect our future for the better.

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Wednesday, October 26:



Wednesday, October 26 11:45 AM
Facets Multi-Media

Neighbors Off the Grid

73 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8)

Neighbors can teach you a lot - about yourself, that is. Ayush leaves his comfortable apartment and learns from Bhola, who definitely lives outside of his school district. Can a watermelon farmer and a robot find a harmonious harvest? And the Clark Kids must prove humanity's goodness to their local eccentric before he sets off an ice age as a way of saving the environment.

Floyd the Android (USA) 4 min

The Light (Japan) 8 min

All is Well (India) 17 min

Farmer & the Robot (Iran) 21 min

Dogstar: "End of the World"
(Australia) 24 min

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Wednesday, October 26 11:45 AM
Thorne Auditorium

The Great Bear (Denmark)

73 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Jonathan does not get along with his little sister, Sophie. But when the siblings visit their grandfather, Sophie gets lost in the dangerous and magical Great Forest and it's up to Jonathan to rescue her! When Sophie meets a bear she thinks is gentle and kind, Jonathan faces a hunter who holds a grudge against his sister's new friend. Who can Jonathan trust: the hunter or the bear? Find out, as Jonathan sets out to save himself and Sophie and find their way back to Grandfather's house!

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Thursday, October 27:



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Facets Multi-Media

If You Want to Sing Out

75 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

If you want to be free - be free! These dreamers don't let anyone get them down. Felipe and his grandfather travel the globe - inside their own apartment! Kyle refuses to be bullied for pursuing his collecting passion. An Israeli boy lets his fancy fly, despite his family's troubles. And one girl makes a difference on the playground, even though she can't make one at home.

Bob (Germany) 4 min

Soap Bubbles (Japan) 8 min

I'm in Love with Kimberly Johnson
(USA) 9 min

In a Heartbeat (Iceland) 7 min

The Great Journey (Brazil) 15 min

The Vacuum Kid (USA) 12 min

Daydream (Israel) 20 min

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Tutumuch (Canada)

83 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Do you have serious career dreams at a young age? This fascinating documentary explores the rigorous summer program of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet where kids come with a dream to dance, but not everyone will get to make that dream a reality. At stake is a leading role in *The Nutcracker* and a few select spots to study with the ballet year-round. Through the eyes of kids just like you, experience the hard work and commitment of what it takes to make it to the next level.

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Thursday, October 27 10:00 AM
The Patio Theater

The Magicians (Netherlands)

90 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Ben and his father are aspiring magicians with a dream: to become the next big talents in The Netherlands! With the help of their flexible assistant Sylvie, their magic show is the hit of local schools and stages. But when Ben and his father attempt a trick they may not be ready for, Sylvie disappears! When the police learn this is no trick, things grow dire for Ben's family—and Ben learns things are never quite what they seem and illusions are everywhere. Will Ben find Sylvie, or has she vanished forever into a puff of magic?

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Facets Multi-Media

Proud to Be Me: Stories of African and African-American Lives Ages (11-13)

68 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8)

A view of lives in other places gives us insight into our own. A beautiful animated short set in rural Africa explores the value of slowing down the pace of life and appreciating the wonderful world around you. A little girl can't resist the allure of a garage sale, even though she knows her mother is wary of their new Middle-Eastern neighbors. She decides to visit the sale and finds that her neighbors aren't as different as they seem.

Miss Devine (USA) 4 min

The Tobaggan (Canada) 4 min

Garage Sale (USA) 7 min

Date at a Funeral (USA) 13 min

Journey to Cape Verde
(Portugal) 17 min

Mwansa The Great
(Zambia/England) 23 min

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Thursday, October 27:



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The Star Talers (Germany)
59 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Based on the Brothers Grimm fairy tale, *The Star Talers* is the story of Mina, a brave little girl whose village is in trouble. The evil king has forced all the adults who can't pay their taxes to work for him, including Mina's own parents. Now, the plucky Mina must take the village's money ("talers") to the castle and bring the adults home where they belong. With the help of a talking dog named Mr. Flix, Mina gets on the road to the castle, equipped with only generosity and hope. Can Mina and Mr. Flix save the village and set her parents free?

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Friday, October 28:



Friday, October 28 9:45 AM
Facets Multi-Media

Word Up!
73 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

Get ready to get your literary passport stamped! Avid reader Morris Lessmore is swept away to a book-filled land where texts come to life. Felipe's grandfather is his companion in global travel through a set of magical travel guides. The love of words sets these characters on a journey of the imagination.

Monarch (Mexico) 8 min

Zero (Iran) 10 min

The Great Journey (Brazil) 15 min

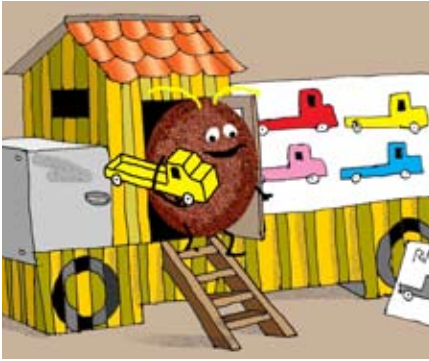
The Fantastic Flying Books of Morris Lessmore (USA) 17 min

Mwansa the Great (Zambia/England)
23 min

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Friday, October 28:



Friday, October 28 9:45 AM
 Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
What Comes Next?
 58 min Ages 2-5 (Grades Pre-K & K)

Cool shapes and transformations inside and out keep you guessing. One little Swedish meatball has a new toy - but if he includes his friends, they can line up their toys to make a new, even better one! Pom Pom and the gang love their flower song - how do they know what to sing next? Order and sequence was never this much fun!

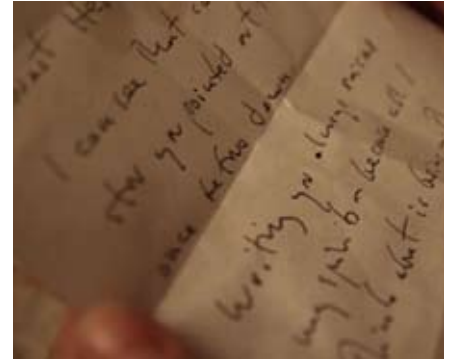
- Snow** (USA) 1 min
- Ballet of Unhatched Chicks** (USA) 2 min
- The Show with the Elephant: "Siblings"** (Germany) 2 min
- Fitting In** (Canada) 3 min
- Hide and Seek** (Taiwan ROC) 3 min
- Dipdap - Scary Thing** (England) 4 min
- The Show with the Elephant: "Spaghetti"** (Germany) 4 min
- Rita & Whatsit** (France) 5 min
- The Little Bear in the Rain** (Japan) 5 min
- Big Brother** (Germany/Switzerland) 6 min
- Trucks and Meatballs** (Sweden) 7 min
- Spot and Splodge: "At the Dentist"** (Sweden) 8 min
- Pom Pom and Friends: "The Music of the Sheep"** (China/South Korea) 8 min



Friday, October 28 10:00 AM
 The Patio Theater
Rock It! (Germany)
 99 min Ages 11+ (Grades 5+)

Are you a fan of "The Biebs"? Then check out Disney Germany's newest stars in this fun 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. To balance her double life, Julia creates an alternate rock persona—but what happens when worlds collide? Sing and dance along with the rockin' tunes in this fun musical, where everything old is new again!

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 Facets Multi-Media
It's the Write Time
 77 min Ages 11-13+ (Grades 6-8)

Witness the power of the written and spoken word as it transforms lives in these short films. Oral Historian Studs Terkel recounts an experience where the voice of a child saved the day. When Joe expresses his feelings for Kaitlyn through a handwritten letter rather than a text or email, she doesn't know what to make of this quaint method of communication! An avid bookworm is swept away into a book-filled world where texts come to life. Celebrate the magic of imagination and communication.

- The Human Voice** (USA) 3 min
- The Wolf Turned Shepherd** (Israel) 8 min
- The Squirrel and the Swallow** (Netherlands) 7 min
- Coast Warning** (Russia) 8 min
- Bottle** (USA) 6 min
- Onion Skin** (Canada) 11 min
- Tick Tock Emporium** (USA) 17 min
- The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore** (USA) 17 min

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Friday, October 28:



Friday, October 28 11:45 AM
Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum
Proud to Be Me: Stories of African and African American Lives Ages (9-12)

60 min Ages 9-12 (Grades 4-6)

The characters in this shorts collection are tall on tales. Mwansa and his sister have wild and vivid imaginations encouraged by their father; by continuing the oral tale he spun, they make it into their own. Sassy Sunday School teacher Miss Devine shares a story or two with her young companions. Sule is the proud head of the Proverb Detective Agency where no crime is too big or too small. The proverb in question here is, “Great fire erupts from tiny sparks,” but how does it apply to his new case?

Miss Devine (USA) 4 min

The Toboggan (Canada) 4 min

Sule and the Case of the Tiny Sparks (USA) 12 min

Garage Sale (USA) 7 min

A Creation Story (USA) 10 min

Mwansa The Great (Zambia/England) 23 min

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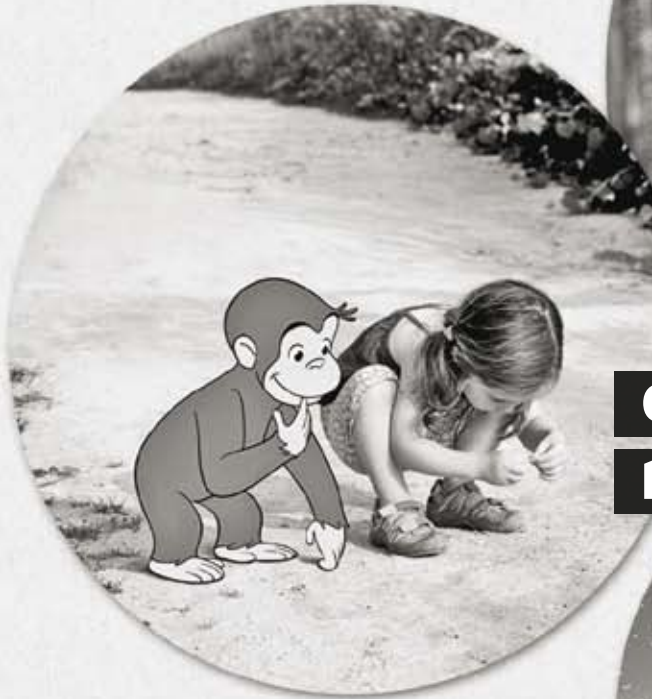
A Cat in Paris (France)
60 min Ages 10+ (Grades 5+)

How do you say “meow” in French? In Paris, Zoé’s mom is a police detective on an important case of cat burglary. And Zoé’s cat Dino leads a feline double life of his own! One night after bedtime, Zoé follows Dino out into the city, and meets the infamous cat thief—who isn’t as evil as she thought. As Zoé 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!

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a mischievous little monkey?**



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