

# Battelle Film Club



# Fall 2005 Film Series

**Showtimes:** 8 p.m.

Free refreshments after the show.

**Location:** Battelle Auditorium

**Directions:** The auditorium is on the main Battelle campus in north Richland. Take George Washington Way north to Battelle Boulevard; turn left. Pass Q St., and turn right into the Battelle complex. Park in the lot to your right. Walk between the two buildings in front of you – the Research Operations Building and the Math Building. The Battelle Auditorium will be ahead to the right, surrounded by ponds.

**Tickets:** Adults \$3. Series pass \$13 (\$10 for BSA members)

**For more information:** Leigh Williams at 375-6811

**Battelle Film Club website:** <http://bsa.pnl.gov/filmclub/>

## October 7

**Mishima: A Life in Four Chapters**

USA, 1985, B&W and Color, 121 min.

Language: Japanese\*, English

Rating: R

Director: Paul Schrader

Cast: Ken Ogata, Mashayuki Shionoya, Hiroshi Mikami, Naoko Otani.

**FREE to Spring 2005 Series Pass holders!**

**T**he Japanese author Yukio Mishima ... was a brilliant self-promoter who not only wrote important novels and plays, but also cultivated the press, posed for beefcake photographs and founded his own private army. He was an advocate of a return to medieval Japanese values, considered himself a samurai, and died on schedule and according to his own plan: After occupying an army garrison with some of his soldiers, he committed hara-kiri. – Roger Ebert

## October 21

**Les Misérables**

France, 1995, color, 175 min.

Language: French\*

Rating: R

Director: Claude Lelouch

Cast: Jean-Paul Belmondo, Michel Boujenah, Alessandra Martines, Salome Lelouch, Annie Girardot

**T**his version of Victor Hugo's classic novel has Belmondo as Henri Fortin, a poor, illiterate ex-boxer. Ziman is a rich Jewish lawyer from Paris. During World War II, Fortin agrees to drive Ziman's family to Switzerland. During the trip, Fortin asks the Zimans to read Victor Hugo's novel *Les Misérables* to

him. As the film develops, all the major characters find themselves in situations similar to those in Hugo's novel.

## November 4

**Bad Education**

Spain, 2004, Color, 106 min.

Language: Spanish\*, Latin\*

Rating: R

Director: Pedro Almodóvar

Cast: Gael Garcia Bernal, Fele Martinez, Daniel Gimenez Cacho, Lluís Homar, Javier Camara, Petra Martinez, Nacho Peerez, Raul Garcia Forneiro

three characters come against one another twice again, in the late '70s and in 1980. These meetings are set to change the life and death of some of them.

**A**n examination of the effect of Franco-era religious schooling and sexual abuse on the lives of two longtime friends. In the early '60s, two boys, Ignacio and Enrique, discover love, movies and fear in a Christian school. Father Manolo, the school principal and literature teacher, both witnesses and takes part in these discoveries. The

## November 18

**Primer**

USA, 2004, Color, 78 min.

Language: English

Rating: PG-13

Director: Shane Carruth

Cast: Shane Carruth, David Sullivan, Casey Gooden, Anand Upadhyaya, Carrie Crawford

invention whose application is not obvious at first but it comes with ethical and metaphysical implications that are enormous. Abe (David Sullivan) describes it to Aaron as "the most important thing that any living organism has ever witnessed," which may be a slight exaggeration.

**F**rom a suburban garage comes a new take on time travel. Shane Carruth's *Primer*, his film debut shot on 16 mm on a budget of around \$7,000, is a clever movie about the perils of ingenuity. Two would-be inventors, Abe and Aaron, working after hours in their suburban garage, stumble onto an

## December 2

**84 Charing Cross Road**

UK, 1987, color, 100 min.

Language: English

Rating: PG

Director: David Hughes Jones

Cast: Anne Bancroft, Anthony Hopkins, Judi Dench

bookseller (Anthony Hopkins), and thus commences a relationship that lasts for years without the two people ever meeting each other. – Roger Ebert

**84** *Charing Cross Road* is a movie made for people who love London and books. ... A New York woman (Anne Bancroft), who loves books sees an ad in the *Saturday Review* for a London bookstore. She sends them her want list and is soon delighted to receive a package of used books – good readable editions, cheap. She begins a correspondence with the

## December 16

**The Wild Parrots of Telegraph Hill**

USA, 2003, Color, 83 min.

Language: English

Rating: G

Director: Judy Irving

Cast: Mark Bittner

**T**his movie is the true story of a Bohemian St. Francis and his relationship with a flock of wild red-and-green parrots. Mark Bittner, a dharma bum and former San Francisco street musician, falls in with the flock as he searches for meaning in his life, unaware the wild parrots will bring him everything he needs. – Official website

## January 6

**Moolaade**

Senegal, 2004, Color, 124 min.

Language: Bambara\*, French\*

Rating: Unrated

Director: Ousmane Sembene

Cast: Fatoumata Coulibaly, Maimouna Helene Diarra, Slimata Traore, Dominique Zeida, Mah Compaore, Aminata Dao

**M***oolaade* is a film that will stay in my memory and inform my ideas long after other films have vaporized. It takes place in a village in Senegal, where ancient customs exist side by side with battery-powered radios, cars and trucks, and a young man returning from Paris. – Roger Ebert.

"This is the day when six four- to 9-year-old girls are to be 'circumcised.' Two of the girls have drowned themselves in a well to escape the mutilation. The four other girls seek "magical protection" (moolaade) by a woman who seven years [before] refused to have her daughter subjected to the mutilation." – Max Scharnberg, Internet Movie Database

## January 20

**Nine Queens**

Argentina, 2000, Color, 114 min.

Language: Spanish\*

Rating: R

Director: Fabian Bielinsky

Cast: Gaston Pauls, Ricardo Darin, Leticia Bredice, Tomas Fonzi

**N***ine Queens* is the story of two small-time swindlers, Juan (Gaston Pauls) and Marcos (Ricardo Darin), who become involved in a \$500,000 deal. ... A once-in-a-lifetime scheme seemingly falls in their laps – an old time con-man enlists Juan and Marcos to sell a forged set of

extremely valuable rare stamps, the Nine Queens. The cast of suspicious characters includes Marcos' beautiful sister Valeria (Leticia Bredice), their innocent younger brother Federico (Tomas Fonzi) and a slew of thieves, con men and pickpockets. As the cons and duplicity mount, it is unclear who is conning whom. – Official website

**\* Non-English films will be shown with English subtitles.**