

MOVIES AVAILABLE AT THE WORLD LANGUAGES LAB IN HOLMES HALL G-03

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Chinese: All movies are in Mandarin Chinese (with optional English Subtitles)

Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon (2000)

- Two master warriors are faced with their greatest challenge when the treasured Green Destiny sword is stolen. A young aristocrat prepares for an arranged marriage but soon reveals her superior fighting talents and her deeply romantic past. As each warrior battles for justice, they come face to face with their worst enemy- and the inescapable, enduring power of love.

Happy Times by Zhang Yimou (2002)

- "Happy Times" is a charming, heartwarming comedy about the complex dynamics of relationships and the hysterical complexities inherent in making them work

FRENCH All movies are in French (with optional English Subtitles)

The Chorus, Les Choristes (2004)

- An aimless child at an austere boarding school in France. The students and faculty are constantly at odds with one another, until a music teacher, Clément Mathieu, arrives and starts a choir. Clément -- who has troubles of his own -- tries to change the reactionary policies of the school, choosing instead to encourage his students. His efforts have a particular impact on Pierre, who shows great musical promise.

Fast Kine (2001)

- A forty-year-old woman refuses to give into the stigma of unwed motherhood and climbs the ladder of success in a male dominated field

Antigone

- An Algerian-born teenager living in Montreal with her immigrant family, gives a stunning performance as Antigone. Her world is shaken when her oldest brother is wrongfully gunned down by police during her arrest of her other brother who, if convicted, faces deportation. She invents a fearless, dangerous plan to free him.

Sugar Cane Alley

- Set on a sugar plantation in Martinique, a dirt road "Sugar Cane Alley" is home of poor black families who work the canes to make a living. This film follows the lives of Jose and his grandmother, he's offered a scholarship for school but he and his grandmother are in the fight for a better life and change within Martinique

SPANISH MOVIES: All movies are in Spanish (with optional English Subtitles)

Héroes de otra patria, Iván Danriel Ortiz (1998)

- Inspired by true events, this action drama takes us on a heroic journey through the lenses of Carlos and 48,000 other Puerto Ricans who were drafted to help the United States between the North and South Vietnam war conflict.

The Official Story (1985)

- Argentine teacher Alicia goes on a quest to uncover the truth about her adopted daughter's true identity and the life of her murdered parent who was a political prisoner. This quest leads her on an eventful journey which causes a shattering impact on her life.

El Cimarrón (2006)

- Sure to be a tear-jerker, this love story shines light on the journey of an African slave couple and their fight for freedom and love. Additionally, this story gives an accurate portrayal of slavery in Puerto Rico during the 19th century.

Like Water For Chocolate (1992)

- Based on a best selling erotic tale this film displays the forbidden love story between Tita and Pedro that took the world by storm.

Morelos (2021)

- This film paints the life lived of José María Morelos y Pavón (1812-1815), a revolutionary in the Mexican Independence trying to be free from Gral. Morelos' life is displayed when going through the journey of the war.

Four Days in September

- Based on true events, this dramatic thriller takes you on a chase of when Political terrorists kidnap an American Ambassador. With his life in their hands anything can happen at any moment and this diplomat can only hope for a happy ending.

The Liberator (2013)

- Simón Bolívar, a hero that fought over hundreds of wars and battles, is told in this moving film and his journey along the way within the military.

Zoom Suit (1981)

- This reverting film based on the critically acclaimed stage play follows the “zoot suit riots” during the 1940s in Los Angeles. Band Leader Henry Reyna and his group of friends are unfairly charged and placed within a San Quentin prison and have the support of activists lawyers to reclaim their freedom. This film gives a moving performance and bravery and courage of the unjust and racial prejudice black and people of color race on a day to day basis.

Carmen and Lola (2018) by Arantxa Echevarría

- Carmen is a gypsy teenager, destined to live a life that is repeated every generation: getting married and raising as many children as possible. But one day she meets Lola, an uncommon gypsy who dreams about going to university, does graffiti and is very different. Carmen quickly develops a complicity with Lola and discovers a world that, inevitably, leads them to be rejected by their families.

Disney Encanto (2022)

- Walt Disney Animations Studios' Encanto, with original songs by award winner Lin-Manuel Miranda, tells the tale of the Madrigals, an extraordinary family living in a magical house in the Colombian mountains. But when Mirabel, the only ordinary family member, discovers the magic surrounding their home is in danger, she may be her family's last hope.

Bear Cub (2004)

- An amusing and touching film about reinterpreting the idea of "family" Bear Cub tells the engaging story of Pedro (José Luis García-Pérez), an attractive gay dentist living an active single life in Madrid. He offers to take care of his adorable 9-year-old nephew Bernardo (the remarkable David Castillo) for two weeks while the child's mother travels abroad with her latest "hippie" boyfriend. When Mom suddenly becomes detained in India, however, Pedro must become the boy's caretaker. And to further complicate matters, the boy's grandmother begins a custody battle for the child. Never overly sentimental or sensational, director Miguel Albaladejo (Manolito Four-Eyes) has crafted a funny and charming audience pleaser that inspired the Chicago Tribune to proclaim the film "striking and refreshing."

Viva Find Your Voice (2016)

- Jesus (Héctor Medina), a young hairdresser working at a Havana nightclub dreams of being a performer. Encouraged by his mentor, Mama (Luis Alberto García), Jesus finally gets his chance to take the stage. But when his estranged father Angel (Jorge Perugorría) abruptly re-enters his life, his world is quickly turned upside down. Set in contemporary Cuba, Viva is a tender love story of a father and son struggling to escape from opposing expectations, duty, and the burden of past sins.

Undertow Contracorriente (2011)

- In a tiny traditional Peruvian seaside village, Miguel (Christian Mercado, Che: Part Two), a young fisherman, and his bride, Mariela (Tatiana Astengo, Seven Minutes), are about to welcome their first child. But Miguel has a secret: he's in love with Santiago (Manolo Cardona, Beverly Hills Chihuahua), a painter who is ostracized by the town because he's gay. As this strikingly original romantic drama unfolds, Miguel must find the courage to be true to himself. His bittersweet, and ultimately uplifting personal journey embodies the essence of what it means to be a man.

PORTUGUESE

Marighella (2019): Portuguese (with optional English Subtitles)

- Marighella is a Brazilian action drama set in 1969 based on the life of Afro-Brazilian politician and guerrilla fighter Carlos Marighella. Facing a violent military dictatorship and with little support from a timid opposition, writer-turned-politician Carlos Marighella organizes a resistance movement. Alongside revolutionaries 30 years younger than him and willing to fight, the revolutionary leader opts for action. The film is adapted from the biography Marighella - O Guerrilheiro que Incendiou o Mundo, by Mario Magalhaes. Brazilian musical artist, songwriter, and actor Seu Jorge plays Carlos Marighella.

ITALIAN

Life is Beautiful (1997): Italian (with optional English Subtitles)

- An inspired, award-winning story about the power of love and the human spirit, Life Is Beautiful has been called a modern masterpiece. Guido - a charming but bumbling waiter who's gifted with a colorful imagination and an irresistible sense of humor - has won the heart of the woman he loves and created a beautiful life for his young family. But then, that life is threatened by World War II... and Guido must rely on those very same strengths to save his beloved wife and son from an unthinkable fate. Honored with an overwhelming level of critical acclaim, this truly exceptional, utterly unique motion picture will lift your spirits and capture your heart.

YORUBA

Eyimofe: This is my desire (2020): Drama in English, Yoruba, Pidgin, and Nigerian languages

- This revelatory, award-winning debut feature from co-directors (and twin brothers) Arie and Chuko Esiri is a heartrending and hopeful portrait of everyday human endurance in Lagos, Nigeria. Shot on richly textured 16 mm film and infused with the spirit of neorealism, Eyimofe (This Is My Desire) traces the journeys of two distantly connected strangers-Mofe (Jude Akuwudike), an electrician dealing with the fallout of a family tragedy, and Rosa (Temi Ami-Williams), a hairdresser supporting her pregnant teenage sister -as they each pursue their dream of starting a new life in Europe while bumping up against the harsh economic realities of a world in which every interaction is a transaction. From these intimate stories emerges a vivid snapshot of life in contemporary Lagos, whose social fabric is captured in all its vibrancy and complexity.

SWAHILI

Neptune Frost (2022): Musical, Science Fiction in English, French, Kinyarwanda, and Swahili

A group of escaped coltan miners forms an anti-colonialist computer hacker collective in the hilltops of Burundi. They soon attempt a takeover of the authoritarian regime that's exploiting the region's natural resources and its people.