WILLIAMSTOWN FILMS – 2006 SCREENINGS

Feb 22

The Birds

Alfred Hitchcock at his audience-manipulating best. Tippi Hedron is pursued by an ever-growing flock of birds in coastal California. Stars Rod Taylor, Jessica Tandy, Suzanne Pleshette & Veronica Cartwright. Based on a Daphne Du Maurier novel

+ The Planet of Pearl - Flash Gordon 1

Mar 29

Bonjour Balwyn & Gone to the Dogs

"Bonjour Baldwin", A short film by Nigel Buesst (director, producer, co-writer & co-editor). "Gone to the Dogs", A comedy directed by the great Ken G. Hall and starring George Wallace (who co-wrote the script). Features many early Australian comics from the '30s and lots of dogs!

+ Tunnel of Terror - Flash Gordon 2

Apr 26

Europa Europa

In order to survive, a young German-Jew pretends to be a loyal Nazi when drafted. A film that blends a story of growing up with the tragedy of the Jewish Holocaust in WWII. Common themes from a fresh a point of view.

+ Captured by Shark Men - Flash Gordon 3

May 31

Orlando

Sally Potter's film about gender & identity. It follows a life that stretches over 400 years from QE I to the 20th century. A life which changes sex along the way. Tilda Swinton is extraordinary in the lead role.

+ Battling the Sea Beast – Flash Gordon 4

Jun 28

I'm no Angel

Tira works as dancing beauty and lion tamer at a fair. She agrees to a risky new number: she'll put her head into a lion's muzzle! With this attraction the circus makes it to New York where she flirts with rich men and accepts expensive presents. She finally meets the love of her life and becomes a victim of intrigue.

The Destroying Ray – Flash Gordon 5

Jul 26

Jedda

Legendary Australian director, Charles Chauvel's last film. He also produced and co-wrote the script

+ Flaming Torture - Flash Gordon 6

Aug 30

Farenheit 451

The temperature at which paper burns! A futuristic fireman who's job it is to burn books. Shades of 1984. Behind the camera we have Francois Truffaut writing and directing his only English language film; music by Bernard Herrmann; Nicola Roeg on camera; novel by Ray Bradbury. Don't miss the end credits.

+ Shattering Doom - Flash Gordon 7

Sep 27

The Joy Luck Club

Four Chinese-American women recall their relationships with their Chinese mothers. Their stories of survival in China and assimilation into American society contrasts the lives of women in different countries and from different generations. Wayne Wang directs from Amy Tan's best selling novel.

+ Tournament of Death – Flash Gordon 8

Oct 25

Rashomon

Four people give their account of a rape-murder in medievil Japan. Akira Kurosawa's study of truth & human nature, was also his first international hit. Academy Award for Best Foreign Film. + Fighting the Fire Dragon - Flash Gordon 9

Nov 29

All That Jazz

It's show time folks! Bob Fosse's film of the high energy and bizarre life and death of a fictitious (?) stage director/choreographer. A musical? A drama? An autobiography? Stars Roy Scheider, Jessica Lange, Ben Vereen.

Nominated for 9 Oscars and winner of 4!

+ The Unseen Peril – Flash Gordon 10

Screenings commence at 7.30pm in The Williamstown Mechanics Institute,

Electra Street. Williamstown.

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