



JAPANESE FILM FESTIVAL 2014



9-13 SEPTEMBER

FREE ADMISSION

Ngā Taonga Sound & Vision (previously New Zealand Film Archive), 84 Taranaki Street, Wellington

Complimentary tickets will be issued from one hour before screening on a first-come, first-served basis. Films are played with English subtitles.



Casting Blossoms to the Sky この空の花 —長岡花火物語

Tuesday 9 September, 6pm

Director: Nobuhiko Obayashi Released: 2012 Running Time: 160min. Genre: Drama Rated: M

A movie based on a reporter's travel to Nagaoka, a city that has received its fair share of war and natural disasters. There she meets a resolute community with a wish that someday the world's bombs will be converted to fireworks and sent skyward for all to enjoy.

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Leaving on the 15th Spring 旅立ちの島唄～十五の春～

Wednesday 10 September, 6pm

Director: Yasuhiro Yoshida Released: 2013 Running Time: 114min. Genre: Human Drama Rated: G

With her older sister and mother already on the mainland, a young girl is preparing to leave her remote island to attend high school. She is excited, but also worried about her father, whose stubbornness and love for the island keeps him there.

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The Kirishima Thing 桐島、部活やめるってよ

Thursday 11 September, 6pm

Director: Daihachi Yoshida Released: 2012 Running Time: 103min. Genre: Drama/Suspense Rated: PG

The sudden disappearance of the most popular student, Kirishima, creates turmoil as all groups within the school become intertwined and the weaknesses of many students are exposed.

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A Story of Yonosuke 横道世之介

Friday 12 September, 6pm

Director: Shuichi Okita Released: 2013 Running Time: 160min. Genre: Human Drama/Comedy Rated: PG

Yonosuke moves to Tokyo to attend university and immediately creates lasting impressions on all he meets due to his friendly and sometimes naive personality. The movie jumps forward to when his friends have moved on with their lives, but still reminisce about Yonosuke and his impact on their lives.

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Doraemon and the Little Dinosaur

Saturday 13 September, 2pm & 4:15pm

ドラえもん のび太の恐竜 2006

Director: Ayumu Watanabe Released: 2006 Running Time: 107min. Genre: Family Animation Rated: PG

Nobita unearths a dinosaur egg and hatches it with help from his robotic cat friend Doraemon. Realising the difficulties in raising a growing dinosaur, they try to return him to prehistoric times, but dinosaur hunters are on their tail!

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The Chef of South Polar 南極料理人

Saturday 13 September, 6:30pm

Director: Shuichi Okita Released: 2009 Running Time: 125mins. Genre: Human Comedy Rated: G

This light-hearted comedy tells of the struggles of a navy chef, unwillingly sent to cook at a remote research base in the South Pole, as he tries to get the all-male team to take his role seriously.

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