OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

AMC Theatres
Bargain matinees daily plus $3.00 (Twi-Lite) show daily. Limited Seating
NP denotes "No Pass" Engagement
AMC THEATRES UNDER THIS HEADING OFFER MOVIES AT REDUCE ADMISSION EVERYDAY, EVERY SHOW. LOOK HERE FOR OUR "BEST BUYS SUPER DAILY SPECIAL.

AMC Hampton 4
Rochester Rd. 1 1/2 mi N M-59
853-5322
$1.00 at all times

DANGEROUS MINDS (R)
FRI. 6:00, 8:15,10:30 SAT. 2:00, 6:00, 8:25, 10:30; SUN. 2:00, 6:00, 8:15
MON.-THURS. 6:00, 8:15
BABE (G)
FRI. 7:00, 9:45; SAT. 1:00, 5:30
SUN. 7:00, 5:30; MON-THURS 5:45
SHOWGIRLS (NC-17)
FRI.7:30 & 10:15; SAT. 7:30, 10:15
SUN. 7:30; MON THRU THURS. 7:45
AMERICAN QUILT (PG13)
FRI. 5:15, 7:45, 10:30; SAT. 1:30, 5:15, 7:45, 10:30; SUN. 1:30, 5:15, 7:45;
MON.-THURS. 5:30, 8:00
CLUELESS (PG13)
FRI.5:00, 7:15, 9:45 SAT. 1:45, 5:00, 7:5, 9:45; SUN. 1:45, 5:00, 7:15
MON.-THURS.5:15, 7:30

AMC Abbey 8
14 Mile at I-75 585-0081
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies
NP FATHER OF THE BRIDE 2 (PG)
FRI. 12:30, 1:30, (4:50, 5:20 @ $3.00) 7:20, 7:50, 9:50, 10:15; SAT. & SUN. 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, (4:50, 5:20 @ $3.00) 7:20, 7:50, 9:50, 10:15; MON.-WED. 1:30, 2:00, (5:20, 5:50 @ $3.00) 7:40, 8:10, 10:00; THURS. 1:30 2:00 (5:20 5:50 @ $3.00) 7:40, 8:10, 10:00
NP IT TAKES TWO (PG)
FRI. 12:45,(5:20 @ $3.00) 7:40, 10:00; SAT. & SUN. 12:45, 3:00 (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:40, 10:00
MON. THRU WED.. 1:40, (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:50; THURS. 1:40 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:50
NP COPYCAT (R)
FRI.-SUN. 1:10 (4:50 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:10
MON. THRU WED. 1:50 (5:10 @ $3.00) 7:40, 10:05; THURS. 1:50 (5:10 @ $3.00) 7:40, 10:05
NP POWDER (PG)
FRI.-SUN. 1:00 (4:40 @ $3.00) 7:10, 9:40
MON. THRU WED. 1:30 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:50; THURS. 1:30 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:50
SEVEN (R)
FRI.1:30 (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:20, 10:10; SAT. & SUN. 1:30 (4:30 @ $3.00) 7:20, 10:10
MON.-WED. 1:50 (5:10 @ $3.00) 8:00
THURS. 1:50 (5:10 @ $3.00) 8:00
HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS (PG13)
FRI.-SUN. 1:40 (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:50
MON.-WED. 1:40 (5:40 @ $3.00) 8:10; THURS. 1:40 (5:40 @ $3.00) 8:10
NOW AND THEN (PG13)
FRI.-SUN. 1:25 (5:12 @ $3.00) 7:40, 10:00
MON. THRU WED. 2:00 (5:40 @ $3.00) 8:00; THURS. 2:00, (5:00 @ $3.00)

AMC Americana West 6
Orchard Lk. Rd. S of 15 Mi 855-4200
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

MONEY TRAIN (R)
FRI. & MON.-THURS. (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:20
SAT. & SUN. 1:50 (5:10 @ $3.00) 7:40, 10:20
HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS (PG13)
FRI. & MON.-THURS.7:40 & 10:00
SAT. & SUN. 8:00, 10:25
CASINO (R)
FRI. & MON.-THURS. (5:00 @ $3.00) 8:30
SAT. & SUN. 1:30 (5:00 @ $3.00) 8:30
IT TAKES TWO (PG)
FRI. & MON.-THURS. (5:10 @ $3.00), SAT. & SUN. 1:00, 3:20 (5:30 @ $3.00),
TOY STORY (G)
FRI. & MON.-THURS.(5:30 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:40
SAT. & SUN. 1:00, 3:20, (5:30 @ $3.00)
GOLDENEYE (PG13)
FRI. & MON.-THURS. (4:30 @ $3.00), 7:20, 10:10
SAT. & SUN. 1:20 (4:30 @ $3.00) 7:20, 10:10
NP NICK OF TIME (R)
FRI. & MON.-THURS. (4:50 @ $3.00) 7:10, 9:50
SAT. & SUN. 1:40 (4:50 @ $3.00) 7:10, 9:50

AMC Laurel Park 10
6 Mile between Newburgh & I-275
462-6200
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

GET SHORTY (R)
FRI. THRU SUN. 1:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:55
MON.-THURS. 1:45, 5:30, 7:35, 9:55
10 AM THURS.
ACE VENTURA (PG13)
FRI. & SAT. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:15
SUN. 12:30M 3:00M 5:30, 7:45, 9:40, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; MON.-THURS.. 1:00, 5:00, 7:45, 9:40 10 AM THURS
MONEY TRAIN (R)
FRI. & SAT. 2:00, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30
SUN.-THURS. 2:00, 5:45, 8:00, 10:10
THURS. 10 AM
WHITE MAN'S BURDEN (R)
FRI. & SAT. 1:15, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15 & SUN.-THURS.1:15, 5:45, 8:00, 10:00
THURS. 10 AM
GOLDENEYE (PG13)
FRI.& SAT. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
SUN.-THURS. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:05
THURS. 10 AM
TOY STORY (G)
FRI.-SUN. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
MON.-THURS. 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 9:30
THURS. 10 AM
AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG)
FRI. & SAT 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15
SUN.-2:00, 5:00, 7:30, 9:55
MON.-THURS. 1:30, 5:15, 7:40, 10:10
THURS. 10 AM
IT TAKES TWO (PG) COPYCAT (R)
FRI. & SAT.1:30, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
SUN.1:30, 5:30,7:40, 10:10
MON.-THURS.. 1:30, 5:30, 7:40, 10:10
THURS. 10 AM
CASINO (R)
FRI. & SAT. 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:30
SUN.-THURS. 1:00, 4:45, 8:00
HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS (PG 13)
FRI. & SAT. 1:00, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
SUN.1:00, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45
MON.-THURS. 1:15, 5:00, 8:00, 10:15
THURS. 10 AM

AMC Maple 3
W. Maple West of Telegraph 855-9090
No children under 6 after 6 PM
AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG 13)
FRI. (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:00
SAT. & SUN. 1:15 (4:20 @ $3.00) 7:00, 9:30
MON.-THURS. (5:15 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:45
WED. 1:45 (5:15 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:45,
NP CARRINGTON (R)
FRI. (5:15, @ $3.00) 7:45, 10:15
SAT. & SUN. 1:30 (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:15; MON.-THURS. (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:1; (WED. 2:00 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:50, 12:10
NP CROSSING GUARD (R)
FRI. (5:15 @ 3:00) 7:50, 10:15
SAT. & SUN. 1:45, (5:00 @ $3.00, 7:50, 10:15; MON., TUES., THURS. (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:10
WED. 2:15, (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:10

AMC Old Orchard
Orchard Lk Rd - N of I-696 - 12 Mile
553-9968
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies-
NP ACE VENTURA II: WHEN NATURE CALLS (PG 13)
FRI. (5:15 @ $3.00)7:30, 9:45
SAT. & SUN.1:15,3:15, (5:15 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:45
MON.-THURS. (6:00 @ $3.00), 8:00, 9:45
NP FATHER OF THE BRIDE (PG)
FRI.(5:30 @ $3.00)8:00, 10:20
SAT. & SUN.1:00, 3:15, (5:30 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:20
MON.-THURS. (5:30 @ $3.00), 7:45, 10:00
MIGHTY APHRODITE (R)
FRI. (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:45, 10:00
SAT. & SUN. 1:30 (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:45, 10:00
MON.-THURS. (5:45 @ $3.00) 7:45, 9:45

AMC Southfield City 12
Greenfield & 9 Mile 559-2730
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

CASINO (R)
FRI. 1:40 (5:15 @ $3.00) 9:30
SAT. & SUN. 1:30 (5:15 @ $3.00) 9:30
MON-THURS. 1:40 (5:50 @ $3.00) 9:20
NICK OF TIME (R)
FRI. 2:00 (5:40 @ $3.00) 7:45, 9:50
SAT. & SUN. 1:30, 3:40, (5:40 @ $3.00) 7:45, 9:50 (7:40 7:45 SNEAK SAT)
MON.-THURS. 2:00 (5:40 @ $3.00) 7:40, 9:45
AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG)
FRI.1:50 (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:50
SAT. & SUN. 2:00 (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:50
MON.-THURS. 1:50, (5:30 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:20
GOLDEN EYE (PG 13)
FRI.1:50, (5:00 @ $3.00, 7:40,10:25
SAT. & SUN. 1:50, (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:40, 10:20
MON.-THURS. 1:50, (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:20
TOY STORY (G)
FRI. 1:30 (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:10, 9:10
SAT. & SUN. 1:10, 3:00 (5:00 @ $3.00 7:10, 9:10; MON.-THURS. 1:30 (5:40 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:30
MONEY TRAIN (R)
FRI. 1:30, 1:50, (5:30 & 5:45 @ $3.00) 7:45, 8:00; SAT. & SUN. 1:00, 1:20, 3:10, 3:30, (5:30 & 5:45 @ $3.00) 7:40, 8:00, 10:00, 10:15 MON.-THURS. 1:30, 1:50, (5:20 & 5:40 @ $3.00) 7:30, 7:50, 9:45, 10:00
WILD BILL (R)
FRI. 8:10, 12:20
SAT. & SUN.8:10, 10:20
MON.-THURS.8:00, 10:20
NP VAMPIRE IN BROOKLYN (R)
FRI. 1:40,(5:10 @ $3.00) 7:20
SAT. & SUN.1:30, (5:10 @ $3.00) 7:20
MON.-THURS. 1:40 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45
IT TAKES TWO (PG)
FRI. 2:00 (5:50 @ $3.00)
SAT. & SUN.2:00 (5:50 @ $3.00)
MON-THURS.2:00 (5:50 @ $3.00) 8:00
FATHER OF THE BRIDE II (PG)
FRI. 1:40 (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:15
SAT. & SUN.1:50 (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:15
MON.-THURS.1:40 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45, 10:10
WHITE MAN'S BURDEN (R)
FRI. 2:00 (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:00
SAT. & SUN. 2:00 (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:50, 10:00
MON.-THURS. 2:00 (5:45 @ $3.00), 7:50, 10:00
ACE VENTURA 2 (PG 13)
FRI. 1:30, (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:40
SAT. & SUN. 1:15, 3:15, (5:20 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:40
MON.-THURS. 1:30 (5:40 @ $3.00, 7:45, 9:50
COPYCAT (R)
FRI. 9:30; SAT. & SUN. 9:30-
MON.-THURS. 10:00

AMC Wonderland 6
Wonderland Mall behind Target
261-6100
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies
NP TOY STORY (PG)
FRI. 1:45 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45, 9:40
SAT. & SUN. 1:00, 3:15 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45, 9:40
MON.-THURS. 1:45, (5:45 @ $3.00, 7:45, 9:40; WED. (10:10 @ $3.00) 1:45, (5:45 @ $3.00) 7:45, 9:40
NP CASINO (R)
FRI.-SUN. 1:15 (5:00 @ $3.00) 9:00
MON., TUES., THURS. 1:15, (5:00 @ $3.00) 8:30; WED. (10:00 @ $3.00) 1:15, (5:00 @ $3.00) 8:30
NP IT TAKES TWO (PG)
FRI. 1:30 (5:30 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:05
SAT. & SUN. 12:30 2:45, (5:15 @ $3.00) 7:30, 9:50
MON., TUES.,THURS.1:30 (5:30 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:05; WED. (10:05 @ $3.00) 1:30, (5:30 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:05
NICK OF TIME (R)
FRI.2:00, (6:00 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:00
SAT. & SUN. 2:00 (5:30 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:00
MON., TUES., THURS. 2:00 (6:00 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:00, WED. (10:15 @ $3.00) 2:00, (6:00 @ $3.00) 8:00, 10:00
NP MONEY TRAIN (R)
FRI.1:45 (5:15 @ $3.00) 7:45, 10:30
SAT. & SUN. 1:45 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45, 10:05
MON., TUES., WED., 1:45 (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45, 10:05; WED. (10:30 @ $3.00) 1:45, (5:30 @ $3.00) 7:45, 10:05
NP GOLDEN EYE (R)
FRI. 1:30 (THURS. 4:45 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:15
SAT. & SUN. 1:30 (4:30 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:15
MON., TUES & THURS. 1:30, (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:00; WED. (10:05 @ $3.00) 1:30 (5:00 @ $3.00) 7:30, 10:00

General Cinemas
Bargain matinee daily plus $3.25 (Twi-Lite) show daily

Canton 6
Ford Rd., 1 Mi west of I-275-981-1900
Advanced same-day tickets available

FATHER OF THE BRIDE II (PG)
*12:10, 2:25, (4:40 @ $3.25) 7:15, 9:45**
DRACULA DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG13)
*12:30, 3:00 (5:20 @ $3.25) 7:50, 9:50**
SUDDEN DEATH (R)
*12:20, 2:50 (5:10 @ $3.25) 7:40, 10:00**
SABRINA (PG)
*1:30 (4:10 @ $3.25) 7:00, 9:40**
AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG13)
*12:15, 2:40, (5:00 @ $3.25)7:30, 9:50**
HEAT (R)
*1:00 (4:30 @ $3.25) 8:00**
*NOT DEC. 25
**NOT SUN. DEC. 24

Novi Town Center 8
Novi Rd., south of I-96 344-0077
Advance same-day tickets available
FRIDAY THRU THURSDAY
TOM & HUCK (PG)
*12:00, 2:15, (4:30 @ $3.25) 7:00, 9:30**
TOY STORY (G)
*12:30, 2:45, (5:20 @ $3.25) 7:45, 9:50**
GRUMPIER OLD MEN (PG 13)
*12:10, 2:40, (5:15 @ $3.25) 7:45, 9:55**
NIXON (R)
*12:10, (4:00 @ $3.25) 8:00**
HEAT (R)
*12:20, (4:20, @ $3.25) 7:55**, 9:00**
BALTO (G)
*12:25, 2:25, (4:20, @ $3.25) 7:10
JUMANJI (PG)
*12:15, 2:30, (5:00 @ $3.25) 7:30, 10:00**
SUDDEN DEATH (R)
*12:05, 2:35, (5:05 @ $3.25) 7:35, 10:00**

Keego Twin Cinema
Orchard Lake Rd. at Cass Lake Rd.
682-1900
FRI. & Sat. only
All Shows $1.50 before 6 pm

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS (PG)
FRI. 7:45 SAT. 5:00, 7:45 ;SUN. 5:00,
MON.-THURS. 7:30 only
THE USUAL SUSPECTS (R)
FRI.& SAT. 9:45; MON. 9:45 TUES.-THURS. 9:20
GET SHORTY (R)
FRI. 7:30, 9:30; SAT. 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; SUN. 1:30, 3:30, 5:30 MON. 7:30, 9:30; TUES. - THURS. 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
BABE (G)
SAT. & SUN. 1:00, 3:00; TUES.-THURS. 3:00

National Amusements Showcase Cinemas

Showcase Auburn Hills 1-14
2150 N. Opdyke Rd.
Between University & Walton Blvd
810-373-2660
Bargain Matinees Daily. All Shows until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
* Late Shows Fri. & Sat.
GRUMPIER OLD MEN (PG13)
11:40, 2:00, 4:25, 7:20, 9:40, 11:45*
SUDDEN DEATH (R)
11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:30, 4:50, 7:15, 7:45, 9:45, 10:10, 12:00*
WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
11:20, 1:55, 4:35, 7:30, 10:10, 12:35*
DRACULA DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG 13)
11:00, 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:40, 9:45, 11:40
TOM AND HUCK (PG)
11:25, 1:35, 4:00, 7:10, 9:25, 11:25*
CUTTHROAT ISLAND (PG13)
11:10, 1:45, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00, 12:25*
BALTO (G)
11:15, 1:00, 2:45, 4:30, 6:15
HEAT (R)
12:10, 3:25, 7:00, 10:15;
SUN. 12:20, 4:00, 8:00 ONLY
SABRINA (PG)
11:15, 2:10, 4:45, 7:25, 9:55, 12:20
JUMANJI (PG)
11:00, 1:05, 3:15, 5:20, 7:25, 9:35, 11:35*
FATHER OF THE BRIDE 2 (PG)
11:45, 2:15, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30, 11:50*
CASINO (R)
8:00, 11:27*
TOY STORY (G)
11:10, 11:40, 1:00, 1:30, 3:00, 3:30, 5:00, 5:30, 7:20, 9:00, 11:00*
GOLDEN EYE (PG 13)

Showcase Dearborn 1-8
Michigan & Telegraph 313-561-3449
Bargain Matinees Daily. All Shows until 6 pm.
Continuous Shows Daily
* Late Shows Fri. & Sat.
12/22 - 12/28
GRUMPIER OLD MEN (PG13)
11:40, 2:00, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40, 11:45*
SUDDEN DEATH (R)
11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:30, 10:00, 12:15*
TOM AND HUCK (PG)
11:25, 1:35, 4:00, 7:10, 9:25, 11:25
BALTO (G)
11:15, 1:00, 2:45, 4:30, 6:15
HEAT (R)
12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:15
JUMANJI (PG)
11:00, 1:05, 3:15, 5:20, 7:30, 9:45, 11:55*
FATHER OF THE BRIDE (PG)
11:00, 1:30, 4:00, 7:10, 9:30, 12:00*
CASINO (R)
8:00, 11:27*
TOY STORY (G)
11:15, 1:10, 3:05, 5:00, 7:15, 9:10, 11:05*

Showcase Pontiac 1-5
Telegraph Sq. Lake Rd. W Side of Telegraph
810-332-0241
Bargain Matinees Daily • All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily • Late Shows Fri. & Sat.
DEC. 22-DEC. 28
SUDDEN DEATH (R)
11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:25, 9:30, 12:00
DRACULA DEAD & LOVING IT (PG 13)
11:00, 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45, 11:40*
NIXON (R)
11:15, 3:00, 8:45, 10:15
SUNDAY 11:45, 4:00, 7:45, ONLY
HEAT (R)
12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:15;
SUNDAY 12:00, 4:00, 8:00 ONLY
TOY STORY (G)
11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00*

Showcase Pontiac 6-12
2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of Telegraph
810-334-6777
Bargain Matinees Daily • All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily • Late Shows Fri. & Sat.

12/22-12/28
GRUMPIER OLD MEN (PG13)
11:40, 2:00, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40, 11:45*
TOM AND HUCK (PG)
11:25, 1:35, 4:00, 7:10, 9:25, 11:25*
WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
11:20, 1:55, 4:40, 7:35, 10:10, 12:35*
BALTO (G)
11:15, 1:00, 2:45, 4:30, 6:15
SABRINA (PG)
11:00, 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00, 12:30*
JUMANJI (PG)
11:00, 1:05, 3:15, 5:20, 7:30, 9:45, 11:55*
FATHER OF THE BRIDE (PG)
11:30, 1:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30, 12:00*
GOLDENEYE (PG13)
7:50, 10:15, 12:35*
*LATE SHOWS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Quo Vadis
Warren & Wayne Rds 313-425-7700
Bargain Matinees Daily • All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily • Late Shows Fri. & Sat.

DEC. 22 - DEC. 28
SUDDEN DEATH (R)
11:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 7:15, 7:40, 9:45, 10:05, 12:00*
CUTTHROAT ISLAND (PG-13)
11:10, 1:45, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00, 12:25*
WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
11:20, 1:55, 4:30, 7:30, 10:10, 12:35*
DRACULA DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG13)
11:00, 1:10, 3:10, 5:10 7:30, 9:45, 11:40*
HEAT (R)
12:00, 3:30 7:00, 10:15,
ACE VENTURA 2 (PG 13)
11:00, 1:00, 5:15
*LATE SHOWS FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Showcase Westland 1-8
6800 Wayne Rd.,
One blk S. of Warren Rd.
313-729-1060
Bargain Matinees Daily
All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
*Late Shows Fri. & Sat.
DEC. 22 - DEC. 28
GRUMPIER OLD MEN (PG13)
11:40, 2:00, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40, 11:45*
TOM AND HUCK (PG)
11:25, 1:30, 4:00, 7:10, 9:25, 11:25*
BALTO (G)
12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:15
SABRINA (PG)
11:00, 1:30, 4:15, 7:25, 10:00, 12:30*
JUMANJI (PG),
11:00, 1:05, 3:15, 5:20, 7:30, 9:45, 11:55*
TOY STORY (G)
11:00, 11:30, 1:00, 1:30, 3:00, 3:30, 5:00, 5:30, 7:00, 7:30, 9:00, 9:30, 11:00*
GOLDENEYE (PG 13)
7:30, 10:00, 12:20*
CASINO (R)
8:00, 11:15*

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11:50, 2:45, 4:45, 7:00*
NO VIP TICKETS
NP NIXON (R)
10:45, 2:30, 6:15*, 10:10*
NO VIP TICKETS
NP HEAT (R)
11:00, 3:00, 6:40*, 8:50*, 10:20*
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NP JUMANJI (PG)
11:30, 12:45, 2:00, 3:30, 5:00, 6:00*, 7:30*, 8:30*, 9:45*
NO VIP TICKETS
NP SABRINA (PG)
10:50, 1:35, 4:15, 7:27, 10:30*
NO VIP TICKETS
NP CASINO (R)
9:10 PM*
NP TOY STORY (G)
11:15, 12:15, 1:15, 2:15, 3:15, 4:30, 5:30, 6:50*, 7:15*, 10:00*
GOLDEN EYE (PG 13)
IN DIGITAL SOUND
12:30, 1:45, 6:37*, 9:30*;
AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG13)
IN DIGITAL SOUND
1:00, 5:15, 8:27*, 10:40*
*NOT SHOWN DEC. 24TH

Star Rochester Hills
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DEC. 22 - DEC. 28
NP GRUMPIER OLD MEN
11:50, 2:20, 5:00, 7:40*, 10:00*
SORRY NO VIP TICKETS
NP SUDDEN DEATH (R)
IN DIGITAL SOUND
12:30, 1:00, 5:30, 8:10*, 10:50*
NO VIP TICKETS
NP NIXON (R)
12:00, 4:15, 8:20*
NO VIP TICKETS
(NP) JUMANJI (PG)
11:00, 12:15, 1:30, 2:45, 4:00, 5:15, 6:40*, 7:55*, 9:10*, 10:25*
NO VIP TICKETS
(NP) HEAT (R)
11:30, 12:50, 3:15, 4:50, 6:55*, 8:50*, 10:35*
NO VIP TICKETS
(NP) SABRINA (PG)
10:50, 1:40, 4:25, 7:15*, 10:10*
NO VIP TICKETS
(NP) FATHER OF THE BRIDE 2 (PG)
11:50, 1:55, 4:35, 7:10*, 9:45*
AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG13)
IN DIGITAL SOUND
1:05, 3:40, 6:27*, 9:25*
*NOT ON DEC. 24TH

Star Winchester
1136 S. Rochester Rd., Winchester Mall
656-1160
12/22 - 12/28

NP WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
11:45, 2:15, 4:45, 7:25*, 9:55*
NO VIP TICKETS
NP DRACULA: DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG 13)
11:30, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:40*, 9:40*
NO VIP TICKETS
NP BALTO (G)
10:50, 1:45, 4:15, 6:25*
NP CUTTHROAT ISLAND (PG-13)
11:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:55*, 10:25*
TOM AND HUCK (PG)
12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:40*, 8:55*
CASINO (R)*
8:25 ONLY
GOLDENEYE (PG 13)
12:45, 3:45, 6:55*, 9:25*
TOY STORY (G)
11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00*, 7:00*, 8:00*, 9:00*, 10:00*
*NOT SHOWN ON SUN. 12/24

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NV WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
PRESENTED ON 6 TRACK DIGITAL ON TWO SCREENS
#1 -1:00**, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45*
#2-2:05, 4:50, 7:35, 10:20*
Special late night show Friday & Saturday only of Waiting to Exhale at 12:15**
NV DRACULA DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG 13)
12:45**, 3:00, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30*
CUTTHROAT ISLAND (PG13)
1:45**, 3:45, 7:25, 10:05*
NV SABRINA (PG)
12:30**, 4:15, 7:10, 9:50*
THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG13)
ON TWO SCREENS
#1-11:45**, 2:25, 5:00, 7:40, 10:15*
#2 - 1:30**, 4:10, 6:45, 9:30*
MONEY TRAIN (R)
11:50**, 2:15, 4:50, 7:00, 10:00*
GOLDENEYE (PG 13)
1:27**, 4:30, 7:15, 9:55*
PERSUASION (PG)**
1:10, 4:20, 7:05, 9:20*
NV FOUR ROOMS (R)***
4:20, 7:05, 9:15
*Not on Dec. 24th
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NV WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
Screen #1 - 12:30**, 3:15, 7:00, 9:45*
Screen #2-11:30**, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30*
NV TOM AND HUCK (PG)
11:45**, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30*
NV MONEY TRAIN (R)
11:20**, 2:00, 4:30, 7:30, 10:00*
WHITE MAN'S BURDEN (R)**
12:00, 3:00, 5:15, 8:00, 10:10*
NV FOUR ROOMS (R)***
12:00 **, 2:45, 5:20, 8:00, 10:15
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United Artists 12 Oaks
Inside Twelve Oaks Mall 810-585-7041
December 22nd - 29th

NV WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
Presented in 6 Track Digital
11:30**, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:15*
NV CUTTHROAT ISLAND (PG13)
11:15**, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00*
NV DRACULA DEAD & LOVING IT (PG13)
12:00**, 2:30, 5:00, 7:10, 9:25*
NV SABRINA (PG)
12:15**, 3:00, 6:50, 9:40*
NV FATHER OF THE BRIDE 2 (PG)
12:30**, 2:50, 5:15, 7:40, 10:05*
* Not shown at this time on Dec. 24th
**Not shown Dec. 25th.

United Artists West River
9 Mile, 1/2 Block West of Middlebelt
810-788-6043

NV WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
1:00**, 4:00, 7:20, 10:15*
NV TOM & HUCK (PG)
12:30**, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:35*
NV DRACULA DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG 13)
12:40**, 3:00, 5:10, 7:30, 9:40*
NV CUTTHROAT ISLAND (PG 13)
1:20**, 4:15, 7:05, 9:50*
NV BALTO (G)
12:50**, 2:50, 4:50, 6:50
NV SABRINA (PG)
12:45**, 3:50, 6:45, 9:35*
TOY STORY (G)
12:15**, 2:35, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15*
THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG13)
1:30**, 4:10, 7:10, 9:25* (9:45 12/25-12/29)
GOLDENEYE (PG13)**
1:00, 3:45, 7:14, 9:55*
PRESENTED IN 6 TRACK DIGITAL
CASINO (R)
9:00*
NV FOUR ROOMS (R)***
1:45* ***4:30, 7:25, 9:55
*Not shown at this time on Dec. 24th
**Not on December 25th
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MOVIES

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American story: *Anthony Hopkins (right) stars in the story of America's 37th president, Richard M. Nixon, one of the most chronicled public figures of the 20th century with Joan Allen (left) in Hollywood Pictures' drama, "Nixon."*

Stone holds nothing back in 'Nixon' screen biography

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REVIEW

In "Nixon" the fallen president isn't the only one implicated in a cover-up. Director Oliver Stone makes it perfectly clear that he can't tell a decent story without using his usual smokescreen of hyperactive visuals.

The director of "Natural Born Killers" and "JFK" has resigned himself to a hodgepodge of MTV-style over-editing and a variety of film stocks. A simple campaign speech might include contrasty black-and-white images followed by the muted colors of faded home movies then back to a conventionally-composed wide screen.

Despite the best efforts of Anthony Hopkins' lead performance, this nearly three-and-a-half-hour bio-epic paints a sometimes compelling, more often tedious portrait of America's most controversial president.

Still stinging from criticism leveled against his conspiracy-minded "JFK," Stone is quick to point out, even before the opening credits, that "this film is an attempt to understand the truth of Richard Nixon . . . based on numerous public sources and an incomplete record."

In Stone's eyes, Nixon is a tragic hero, driven by ambition and paranoia, but with a sense that somehow he was doing right by his country. Like the powerful publisher in "Citizen Kane," Nixon grows more and more out of touch with the people he's made it his life's work to serve.

Also like "Kane," Stone uses every trick in the book to avoid telling his story in linear fashion. He even employs a "March of Time" newsreel sequence where we get valuable background information about Vice President Nixon's role in the McCarthy witch hunts, the trial of Alger Hiss, and the Checkers affair.

This proves helpful in understanding the focus of the movie, roughly the years as president from 1968 until his resignation in 1974.

Stone sometimes connects. One clever moment begins with a dour, silent closeup of Nixon's face that slowly turns into a smile. The camera pulls back as Nixon's arms shoot up, the crowd behind him roars and we realize that he has just scored his first presidential victory.

Less effective are those moments of cheap symbolism, a turbulent ride on the presidential plane as Watergate breaks or a too-rare steak to show doubts about bloodshed in Vietnam. Are we really supposed to believe that Nixon's downfall comes from his inability to make the college football team?

If you want to see Stone's talent strain, watch those scenes where Nixon, drink in hand, has heart-to-hearts with reluctant first lady Pat (Joan Allen). They play as flatly as any television soap opera, probably because Stone is forced to keep his camera in one place for more than five seconds at a time.

It's here that Hopkins' magic act begins to wear thin. Just when you have the feeling that the talented actor has truly captured the real Nixon, the cartoony qualities of the 37th President start to poke through.

Hopkins gets able support from a number of familiar faces, including James Woods as H.R. Haldeman and David Hyde Pierce as John Dean. Most embarassing is Bob Hoskins's way-gay J. Edgar Hoover, who can't keep his hands off the kitchen staff.

Ultimately, Stone the shocker can't help but throw in a conspiracy theory or two. "JFK's" thesis that Lyndon Johnson was behind the assassination of President Kennedy now widens to include those Dallas politicos who wished to make the way clear for Nixon in office.

For a more fascinating (and responsible) look at the former president, check out "Secret Honor," Robert Altman's economically-filmed monologue about Nixon's last days in office. Stripped of Stone's visual pyrotechnics, the Nixon story comes across with far more character.

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SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.

MAGIC BAG THEATRE
22918 Woodward (north of 9 Mile), Ferndale. Call (810) 544-3030 for information. ($6)

"Spike and Mike's Sick and Twisted Festival of Animation." Through Jan. 1 (call for showtimes). An odd way to spend the holidays, this annual compilation of contemporary animation is a perverse companion piece to the recent festival at the DIA. Compiled by the same California-based madmen who first foisted "Beavis and Butthead" on an unsuspecting public, the current lineup includes old favorites like "No Neck Joe," along with the alien nightmare "Abducted" and worm-obsessed "Smush."

MAIN ART THEATRE
118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 542-0180 for information and showtimes. ($6.50; $4 students and matinee; $3 twilight)

"Sense and Sensibility" (Britain - 1995). In yet another film adaptation of a Jane Austen novel (and one of the best films of the year), tragedy changes a family's circumstances and alters the romantic aspirations of its daughters. Emma Thompson, Alan Rickman, and Hugh Grant star in a script written by Thompson and directed by Ang Lee ("The Wedding Banquet").

"Mighty Aphrodite" (USA - 1995). Woody Allen writes, directs and stars in this story of a father obsessed with discovering the identity of his adopted son's mother. The typically eclectic cast includes Helena Bonham Carter, F. Murray Abraham, Peter Weller, and Claire Bloom.

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