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

DETROIT FILM THEATRE

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Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200
Woodward Ave, Detroit. Call
(318) 833-2323 for information.
E5; \$4 students)
The Calluloid Closet (USA
1995), 7, 930 pm. April 12-13; 4,
7 pm. April 14. Oscar-winning
directors Rob Epstein and Jeffrey Friedman take an eye-openinglook at Hollywood's depiction
of homosexuality over the years.
Interviews with Tom Hanks,
Gore Vidal, and Whoop! Coldberg join countless clips from the
movies.

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"Institute Benjamenta" (England 1995), 7 p.m. April 15.

The first live-action feature from animators The Brothers Quay, about a new student who enrolls in the title school and stowly unearths its dark secrets.

Winotek
Windsor Film Theatre, 2135
Wyandotte St. West, Windsor,
Call (619) 254-FILM for information. (84.60 Canadian; \$4 U.S.)
Kenneth Anger's Magick
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Anger, the experimental film-maker and author of the notori-

ous book "Hollywood Babylon, is showcased with virtually all of his short films to date. The two-weck tribute concludes this week, with: "Invocation of my Demon Brother" (1970-80), though the high light remains "Scorpio Rising" (1970-80), though the high light remains "Scorpio Rising" (1980-80), the high light remains "Inches of Charlette Gainsabourg takes the title role while William Hurt fills and the remains "Jane Byro" (USA - 1998).

Elvis Presley, Roy Charles, and the Crystals.

MAIN ART THEATRE

118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (610) 642-0180 for information and showtimes. (\$8.50; \$4 students and matince; \$3 twillight)*Anne Frank Remembered' (England - 1995). Made in cooperation with Amsterdam's Anne Frank House, this documentary combines wintage terdom's Anne Frank House, this documentary combines wintage photos, new interviews with Frank's contemporaries, documentary film clips, and strangely beautiful footage of the rooms in which the girl and others hid from Nazis during World War II. Narrated by Kenneth Brangh and Glenn Close.

"The Birdenge" (USA - 1995). Robin Williams and Nathan Lane are a gay couple who must lay it straight when Williams' sen wants to entertain his fiance

MAPLE THEATRE

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4135 W. Maple, Bloomfield. All titlee play through at least next Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (310) 855-9290 for information. (36; \$2.95 twilight)

"Filtring with Disaster" (USA-1996). A comedy about a slightful uptight and discontented young man who, having been adopted at birth, acts off on a quest for his birth parents. The all-star cast includes Ben Stiller, Patricia Arquette, Alan Alda, Mary Tyler Moore, George Segal, and Lijy Tomlin.

"Fargo" (USA-1996). In this sixth film from Joel and Ethan Coon, Frances McDormand plays a very pregnant sheriff investigating a bizarre murder case in the Upper Minnesota snowbeit. Dryer and less satisfying than



the Coens' other pictures, but still one of the most unique and incompromising films of the

year.
"The Birdcage" (USA - 1995).
See Main Art Theatre listing

above.

MICHIGAN THEATRE
603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call
(313) 668-8397 for information.
(\$5; \$4 students/seciora)
"Ln Strada" (Italy - 1954). 5
pm. April 1; 7:25 pm. April 12.
Federico Fellini's poetic materpiece, about the fated triangle
between a carnival strong man

(Anthony Quinn), his simple-minded assistant (Giulietta Musina), and a tunuting clown (Richard Baschart). "The Star Maker" (Italy -1995). Through April 16 (call for showtimes).

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In this romantic comedy from
"Cinema Paradiso" director
Gluseppe Tornatoro, a man travels the Sicilian countryside with
a 16mm camera, selling locals
the chance to make a screen test.
"The Voice of the Moon" (Italy
1990), 9:30 p.m. April 11; 6 p.m.
April 12; 9:30 p.m. April 11.

Charlotte Gainsbourg (left) and

Joan Plowright in Franco Zef-firelli's "Jane Eyre." CLIVE COTTE/MIRABAX

SCREEN SCENE

relini's final film is about returns Fellini to his provincial past. Here comic actor Roberto Benigni ('Down by Law,' "Johnny Stechino') plays a man who hears voices in the wells of his native farmland.

"The Legend of Fong Sai Yuck Part II" ('Hong Kong - 1993). 10:45 p.m. April 12; 9:30 p.m. April 16.

Ilong Kong action at its most hyperactive with Jet Li as a master swordsman who joins the secretive Rod Flower Society only to discover it's a fraud.

Local movie series spotlight the classics

Here are some upcoming events for movie fans.

*The Cultural Arts Division of the City of Southfield along with the Southfield Public Library and Potpourri Productions presents "Emperor Jones" 730 p.m. Friday, April 12 in the Mercotte Room of the Southfield Public Library.

Tickets are \$3 per person, and include light refreshments. Call \$430 p.m. Suturday, April 13, pairs a contemporary film by Robert Southfield Public Library.

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matic treasures over four days beginning Friday, April 19.

James Earl Jones kicks off the series with an introduction of a new wide screen print of "2001:

A Space Odyssey" at 8 p.m.

Jones is also the guest speaker to the Ginematic Arts Council's opening night reception beginning 6 p.m. Reception ticksts are \$20/CAC members, \$30/general public and include film admission.

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citizens, full-time students, and DIA Founders society members. Ticket office hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday-Friday; weekends 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For reception tickets, film tickets, and information, call (313) 833-2323. The series closes April 22 with the director's cut of Orson Welles' Touch of Evil.' Welles also stars, along with Charlton

Heston, Janet Leigh, Akim
Tamiroff, Dennis Weaver and
Marken Dictrich.
Here's the complete schedule
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• "2001: Space Odyssey" - 8

p.m. Friday, April 19
• "Shadow of a Doubt" — 11:30

· "Sunrise" -- 11:30 a.m. Sunday,

* "Night of the Hunter" — 2 p.m. Sunday, April 21 * "Duck Soup" — 4 p.m. Sunday,

April 21

Sturday, April 20
"Within Our Gates" – 2 p.m.
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"The Treasure of the Sierra
Madre" – 4 pm. Saturday, April 20
"Thaging Bull" – 7 p.m. Saturday, April 20
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"Touch of Evil" – 7 p.m. Monday, April 22.







