

MOVIE SCENE



Drama: Jason Flemyng as Gregory and Liv Ullmann as Lucy Harmon in "Stealing Beauty" now playing at the AMC Maple and Main Art theatres.

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

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
5020 John R at Warren, Detroit. Call (313) 677-8400 for information and showtimes. (Free with museum admission. \$5.00; \$4.50 seniors/students.)

DEEP BLUE THEATRE
22920 Woodward, Ferndale. Call (810) 644-3030 for information. (\$2)
 ■ "Kids in the Hall Brain Candy" (USA - 1996). 9 p.m. July 17. The first feature film by the five-man Canadian comedy troupe has more laughs than a whole season of Saturday night live. There's even a plot, about a Prozac-type drug that unlocks the taker's happiest memory.

MAIN ART THEATRE
118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 642-0180 for information and showtimes. (\$6.50; \$4 students, seniors and ... matinee; \$3 twilight)
 ■ "Cold Comfort Farm" (Britain - 1996). In this wicked comedy from director John Schlesinger, a sophisticated young Englishwoman in the 1930s suddenly finds herself orphaned and with no fortune.
 ■ "Stealing Beauty" (Italy - 1996). The story of a 19-year-old American girl whose trip to visit relatives in Italy turns into an eye-opening experience when she

meets a variety of odd characters. Directed by Bernardo Bertolucci ("The Last Emperor").
 ■ "Lone Star" (USA - 1996). John Sayles wrote and directed this subtle, moving drama about a sheriff who must dig deep to solve a 40-year-old murder. Starts Friday.

MICHIGAN THEATRE
2116 Woodward, Detroit. Call (313) 668-8397 for information. (\$5; \$4 students/seniors)

■ "Cold Fever" (Iceland - 1995). July 12 - 15 (call for showtimes). A quirky comedy about a young Japanese executive who travels across Iceland for his parents' funeral.
 ■ "Hate" (France - 1996). July 12 - 15 (call for showtimes). In the urban ghettos of Paris, the darker side of human nature erupts when a trio of young men find themselves empowered by a gun.

■ "Jane Eyre" (Britain - 1996). 4:30 p.m. July 13 - 14. Charlotte Gainsborough plays the orphaned girl who falls in love with her employer, the mysterious Mr. Rochester (William Hurt) in this new adaptation of the Charlotte Brontë classic. Directed by Franco Zeffirelli, best known for his class Shakespeare adaptations.

■ "Once Upon a Time ... When We Were Colored" (USA - 1995). 7 p.m. July 16 - 17. In a small Mississippi town in 1946, a young man overcomes the racial bigotry of the South through the help of his community.

REDFORD THEATRE
17360 Lahser at Grand River, Detroit. Call (313) 637-2660 for information. (\$2.50)
 ■ "The Man Who Would Be King" (USA - 1975). 8 p.m. July 12; 2, 8 p.m. July 13 (organ overture begins a half hour before showtime). Director John Hus-

ton wanted to make it with Cary Grant and Humphrey Bogart in the '40s. He settled instead for Michael Caine and Sean Connery in the '70s as mercenaries who lord it over the natives in remote Kafiristan. A rousing epic which needs to be seen on the big screen.

STATE THEATRE
2116 Woodward, Detroit. Call (313) 961-6456 for information. (\$1)

■ "Reservoir Dogs" (USA - 1993). Quentin Tarantino's blood-soaked crime thriller, set in the hours immediately following a failed robbery. Incredible performances from Harvey Keitel, Steve Buscemi, and Michael Madsen.

UNITED ARTISTS OAKLAND MALL
14 Mile at John R, Madison Heights. Call (810) 585-7041. (\$8; \$3.50 before 6 p.m.)

■ "Mystery Science Theatre 3000 The Movie" (USA - 1996). The big-screen version of the cable TV phenomena about a guy and two robots who provide a running commentary during really bad movies. The turkey this time: "This Island Earth," a 1954 space opera whose alien villains sport huge brains and lobster claws.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, July 12

"COOLHAIR UNDER FIRE"
Drama set against the backdrop of the Gulf War. An army tank commander with a clouded record is placed in charge of the review of a female Medevac pilot's candidacy for the Medal of Honor. In the course of his inquiry he uncovers the facts of the woman's death in the line of duty and comes to grips with his own feelings. Stars Denzel Washington, Meg Ryan.

"KIDZ IN THE HALL"
At the Main Art Theatre. A rich, intricately woven murder mystery set in a west Texas border town. Stars Kris Kristofferson.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, July 17

"MULTIPLICITY"
With his work, his family and his personal needs all screaming for his attention, Doug Kinney becomes the ultimate split personality by having himself cloned, and that's when the real trouble begins. A fantasy-comedy starring Michael Keaton and Andie MacDowell.

"KAZAAM"
Fantasy adventure about a boy who finds an unusual boombox that releases a 3,000-year-old rapping genie.

Scheduled to open Friday, July 19

"MAYBE... MAYBE NOT"
At the Main Art Theatre. Axel's an open minded guy who's just been ejected for cheating on his girlfriend. The only place he can find to sleep is at a guy friend's, who would like nothing better than to seduce him. Suddenly Axel finds he's gone from being the hunter to being the prey.
 "FLUO"

Action comedy centers around two escaped convicts who are hunted by the cops and the mob. Stars Laurence Fishburne.

"THE FRONTENERS"
An offbeat comedy about a serial killer from the hereafter and the psychic who can rid any home of ghosts. Stars Michael J. Fox.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, July 24

"A TIME TO KILL"
In front of hundreds of witnesses in a sizzling, small Southern town, a disfigured man murders the two thugs who assaulted his young daughter. A young attorney and a savvy law student team together for his seemingly unwinable defense in a trial that sparks a cauldron of conflicting emotions.

Scheduled to open Friday, July 26

"JOE'S APARTMENT"
Fresh off the bus from Iowa, Joe is trying to make it in New York, but he's got no job, no girl and no place to live. Life changes for Joe when he finds an apartment, along with 50,000 singing, dancing roach roommates who teach Joe what life's really like in the big city.

"SUPERCOOP"
A cops and robbers action thriller starring Jackie Chan.

"FRANSPOTTING"
Hilarious new film about five "friends": a group of lasers, liars, psychos, thieves and junkies who just might be on the road to self destruction.

This summer, the only safe place to be is outside.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

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