

Dear filmgoers,

Welcome back to our 36th season. We have a new programme of films to be shown at the **Cinema LUX** di Massagno and hope our selection of different genres will appeal to our long-standing members as well as new ones. The films will all be shown with English sub-titles. There is a brief summary of each film on the back of this sheet.

# **FRIDAYS**

Students: Fr 40.- Adults: Fr 60.-

The films will begin as usual at **6:15 P.M.**.

The minimum age for a ticket is fifteen

9/10	The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel Ritorno al Marigold Hotel	2015	UK/ US	John Madden
23/10	Wild <i>Wild</i>	2014	US	Jean-Marc Vallée
6/11	Spare Parts Spare Parts	2015	US	Sean MacNamara
27/11	Far from the Madding Crowd <i>Via dalla pazza folla</i>	2015	UK/US	Thomas Vinterberg
11/12	The Immigrant <i>C'era una volta a New</i> <i>York</i>	2013	US	James Gray
15/1/2016	The Imitation Game The Imitation Game	2014	UK/US	Morten Tyldrum
29/1	Still Alice Still Alice	2014	US/France	Richard Glatzer, Walsh Westmoreland
26/2	Selma Selma – La strada per la libertà	2014	UK/US	Ava DuVernay
4/3	The Theory of Everything La Teoria del tutto	2014	UK	James Marsh
18/3	Pride <i>Pride</i>	2014	UK/France	Matthew Warchus
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The English Film Club (Lugano Section)

The EFC website is at www.englishfilmclub.ch

## THE SECOND BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL 2015 122 minutes

**COMEDY** 

The second hotel is the expansionist dream of Sonny Kapoor, but it makes more claims on his time than he has available, considering his imminent marriage to the love of his life, Sunaina. He has his eye on a promising property now that his first venture, The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel for the Elderly and Beautiful, has only a single remaining vacancy, posing a predicament for fresh arrivals.

#### **WILD** 2014 115 minutes

**BIOGRAPHICAL DRAMA** 

The film is based on the true story of recently divorced Cheryl Strayed, who embarks on a hike of more than a thousand miles along the Pacific Crest Trail, with absolutely no experience, on a journey of redemption driven only by sheer determination.

## **SPARE PARTS** 2015 114 minutes

<u>DRAMA</u>

The true life story about four Hispanic high school students who form a robotics club under the leadership of their school's newest teacher, Fredi. With no experience, 800 dollars, used car parts and a dream. This rag tag team goes up against the country's reigning robotics champion, MIT. On their journey, they learn not only how to build a robot; they learn to build a bond that will last a lifetime.

## **FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD** 2015 119 minutes

ROMANTIC DRAMA

The fourth time this Thomas Hardy classic has been made into a film. Set in Victorian England, the film tells the tale of the independent and headstrong farm owner Bathsheba Everdene, who attracts three very different kinds of suitor, a sheep farmer, a reckless sergeant and a mature bachelor.

#### **THE IMMIGRANT** 2014 120 minutes

DRAMA / ROMANCE

Ewa Cybulski and her sister sail to New York from their native Poland in search of a new start and the American dream. When they reach Ellis Island, doctors discover that Magda is ill, and the two women are separated. Ewa is released onto the mean streets of Manhattan while her sister is quarantined. Alone, with nowhere to turn and desperate to reunite with Magda, Ewa quickly falls prey to Bruno, a charming but wicked man who takes her in and forces her into prostitution. The arrival of Orlando - a dashing stage magician who is also Bruno's cousin - restores her self-belief and hopes for a brighter future, becoming her only chance to escape the nightmare in which she finds herself.

### **THE IMITATION GAME** 2014 114 minutes

HISTORICAL THRILLER

The film is based on the real life story of cryptanalyst Alan Turing and the race against time of his team of mathematicians at Britain's top-secret Government Code and Cypher School at Bletchley Park during World War II to crack the German Enigma Code. Turing's personal life is followed in 3 different periods.

### **STILL ALICE** 2015 99 minutes

Alice Howland, happily married with three grown children, is a renowned linguistics professor who starts to forget words. When she receives a diagnosis of Early-Onset Alzheimer's Disease, Alice and her family find their bonds thoroughly tested. Her struggle to stay connected to those she once was with is frightening, heartbreaking, and inspiring.

### SELMA 2014 128 minutes

HISTORICAL DRAMA

Selma is the story of Martin Luther King's historic struggle to secure voting rights for all people – a dangerous campaign against violent opposition that culminated in the epic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, and led to President Johnson signing the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

# **THE THEORY OF EVERYTHING** 2014 123 minutes

<u>DRAMA</u>

This is the extraordinary story of one of the world's greatest living mind, the renowned astrophysicist Stephen Hawking, who falls deeply in love with fellow Cambridge student Jane Wilde. Once a healthy, active young man, Hawking received a earth-shattering diagnosis at 2I years of age. With Jane fighting tirelessly by his side, Stephen embarks on his most ambitious scientific work, studying the very thing he now has precious little of time.

### PRIDE 2014 120 minutes

DRAMA / COMEDY

It is inspired by an extraordinary true story. It's the summer of 1984, Margaret Thatcher is in power and the National Union of Mineworkers is on strike, prompting a London-based group of gay and lesbian activists to raise money to support the strikers' families. Initially rebuffed by the Union, the group identifies a tiny mining village in Wales and sets off to make their donation in person. As the strike drags on, the two groups discover that standing together makes for the strongest union of all.