



Film
Program

AMERICAN CENTER

MUSIC

Across the Universe

Running Time: 133 min

Nov 2-5

1:00 p.m.

Nov 6

9:00 a.m.

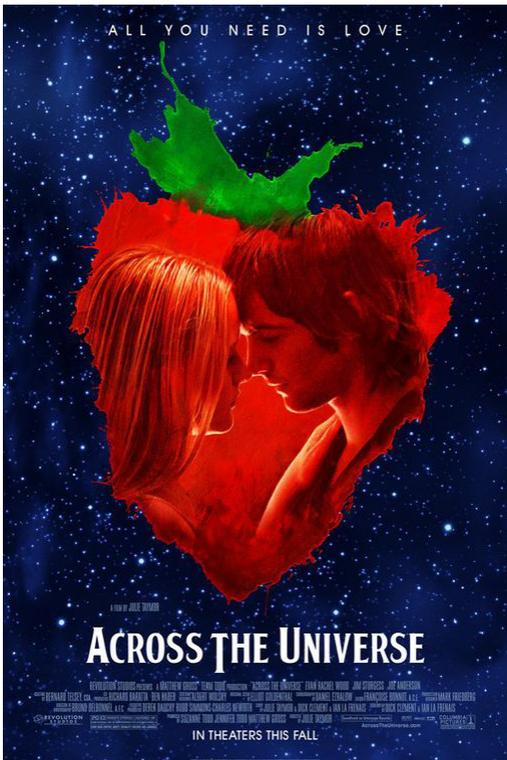
Across The Universe is a fictional love story set in the 1960s amid the turbulent years of anti-war protest, the struggle for free speech and civil rights, mind exploration and rock and roll. At once gritty, whimsical and highly theatrical, the story

moves from high schools and universities in Massachusetts, Princeton and Ohio to the Lower East Side of Manhattan, the Detroit riots, Vietnam and the dockyards of Liverpool. A combination of live action and animation, the film is paired with many songs by The Beatles that defined the time.

Starring: Evan Rachel Wood,
Jim Sturgess,
Joe Anderson (VI),
Dana Fuchs,
Martin Luther (II)

Director: Julie Taymor

Genre: Musical



Dreamgirls

Running Time: 130 min

Nov 9, 10, 12

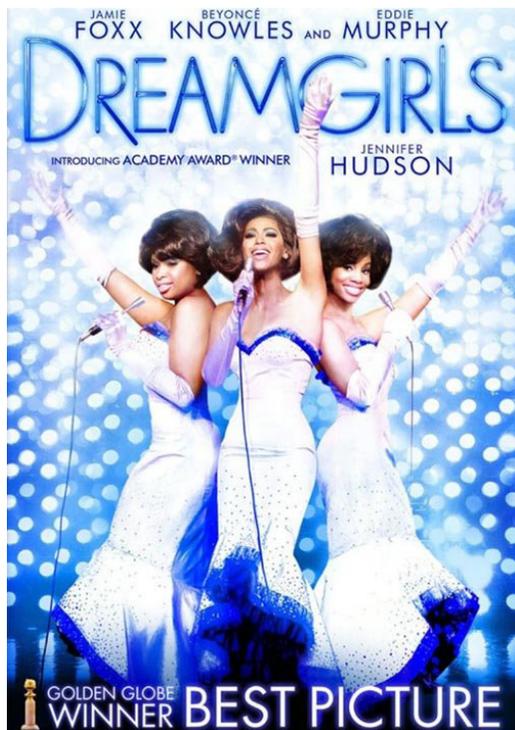
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Nov 13

9:00 a.m.

Detroit, the early 1960s. Curtis Taylor, Jr., a car salesman, breaks into the music business with big dreams. He signs a trio of 18-year-olds, the Dreamettes, gets them a job backing an R&B performer, James “Thunder” Early, establishes his own record label and starts wheeling and dealing. When Early flames out, Curtis makes the Dreamettes into headliners as the Dreams, but not before demoting their hefty big-voiced lead singer, Effie White, and putting the softer-

voiced looker, Deena Jones, in front. Soon after, he fires Effie, sends her into a life of proud poverty, and takes Deena and the Dreams to the top. How long can Curtis stay there, and will Effie ever get her due?



Starring: Jamie Foxx,
Beyoncé Knowles,
Eddie Murphy,
Danny Glover,
Jennifer Hudson,
Anika Noni Rose

Director: Bill Condon

Genre: Musical

Mamma Mia!

Running Time: 108 min

Nov 16-19

1:00 p.m.

Meryl Streep leads an all-star cast in the feature-film adaptation of the beloved musical that has been seen by more than 30 million people in 160 cities and eight languages around the world. Meryl Streep plays an independent, single mother and owner of a small hotel on an idyllic Greek island, about to let go of her spirited daughter whom she's raised alone. But the young bride has secretly invited some guests of her own three men from her mom's past, one of

whom is the girl's biological father. Over 24 chaotic, magical hours, new love will bloom and old romances will be rekindled, in this warm and hilarious adaptation of one of the most popular musicals ever written.



Starring: Amanda Seyfried, Stellan Skarsgård, Pierce Brosnan, Colin Firth, Meryl Streep, Ashley Lilley

Director: Phyllida Lloyd

Genre: Musical

Singin' in the Rain

Running Time: 103 min

Nov 23, 24, 26

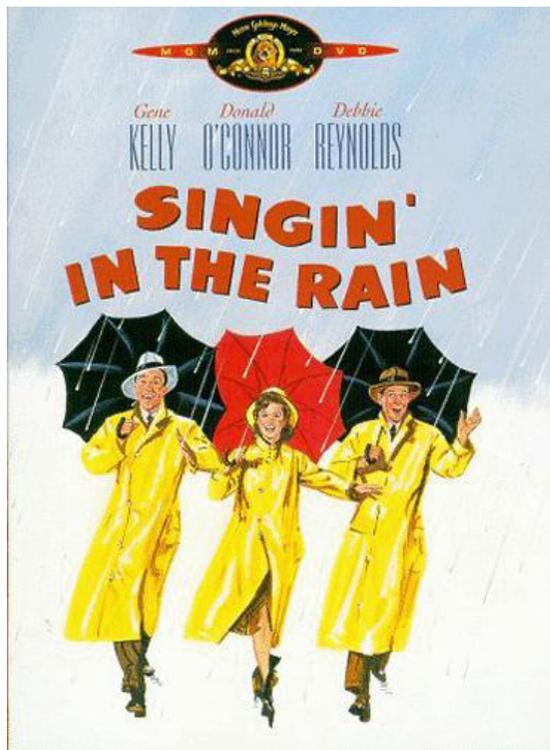
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Nov 27

9:00 a.m.

In 1927, Don Lockwood and Lina Lamont are famous on-screen romantic pair. Lina, however, mistakes the on-screen romance for real love. Don has worked hard to get with his former partner Cosmo. When Don and Lina's latest film is transformed into a musical, Don has the perfect voice for the songs. But Lina - well, even with the best efforts of a diction coach, they still decide to dub over her voice. Kathy Selden is brought in, an aspiring actress, and while she is

working on the movie, Don falls in love with her. Will Kathy continue to "aspire", or will she get the break she deserves?



Starring: Gene Kelly,
Donald O'Connor,
Debbie Reynolds,
Busby Berkeley,
Irving Berlin

Directors: Stanley Donen,
Gene Kelly

Genre: Musical