

JAPANESE FILM WEEK 2016

Dom omladine, Banja Luka

March 4-7, 2016 FREE ENTRANCE!

Dear Guests,

This year marks the **20th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Japan and Bosnia and Herzegovina**. Embassy of Japan in Bosnia and Herzegovina is honoured to organize the Japanese Film Week 2016 within the Sarajevo Winter Festival, as one of the events in this year which celebrate the excellent bilateral relations and friendship between our countries. Every year, we present films which explore particular aspects of Japanese society, and the theme of this year's contemporary Japanese films revolves around the woman and her position, perspectives and struggles in modern Japanese society. Furthermore, Embassy of Japan in Bosnia and Herzegovina is heartily looking forward to organize events throughout the year such as a traditional Japanese music concert, traditional Japanese dance performance, and many others. So, I wish you all to enjoy this year's films, and I sincerely hope that our Japanese film week and our upcoming cultural events will bring Japanese culture closer to the citizens of BiH and further strengthen friendship between our countries.

Sincerely,

Kazuya Ogawa

Ambassador of Japan to BiH



PETAL DANCE – Friday, March 4 – 20:00h

2013 / Blu Ray / 90 min

Director: Hiroshi Ishikawa

Cast: Aoi Miyazaki, Shioli Kutsuna, Sakura Ando

Jinko and Motoko are friends from college. They hear a rumor: Miki, one of their school friends who still lives back in the country has survived from drowning in the sea and it seems like she has jumped in by herself. Jinko and Motoko decide to see Miki for their vacation. One day Jinko happens to meet Haraki at the library where she works. Then Haraki also joins their journey home as a driver. Miki lives in a land of north, a town of wind. Three girls start their overnight little journey...



MY LITTLE NIGHTMARE: THE MOVIE – Saturday, March 5 – 20:00h

2014 / Blu Ray / 120 min

Director: Noriyoshi Sakuma

Cast: Keiko Kitagawa, Manatsu Kimura

Fun dreams, scary dreams, bizarre dreams... We see dreams every night but they are veiled in mystery. What if it were possible to connect with a stranger's unconsciousness while sleeping, and be able to see the misfortune in that person's future in the form of a "prophetic dream"? This story is about Akumu-cha, a girl who possesses such mysterious powers, and Ayami, a teacher who is able to decipher the girl's nightmares, and how they overcome various incidents that arise one after another...



JYOKYO MONOGATARI - THE TOKYO LOSERS – Sunday, March 6 – 20:00h

2013 / Blu Ray / 109 min.

Director: Toshiyuki Morioka

Cast: Kie Kitano, Sosuke Ikematsu

"I'll say thank you to the Tokyo I hated".

A country girl comes to Tokyo with the belief that she is special, different from anyone else. However, she finds herself being the worst student in Art School, always broke, develops facial paralysis while working as a hostess at a bar, and stuck with a good-for-nothing boyfriend. Still, she continues to draw for people who are having hard times; those who are tired, sad, vexed, and always having have to put with something. She tries to make them smile just a little bit. This is a story about a girl who realizes her dream in the city, and comes to learn about the warmth of others and strictness of the world.



TAMAKO IN MORATORIUM – Monday, March 7 – 20:00h

2013 / Blu Ray / 78 min.

Director: Nobuhiro Yamashita

Cast: Atsuko Maeda, Suon Kan

Tamako graduated from University and came back to her home town. She lives with her father who runs a sport equipment shop but she does not assist in his business. On the contrary, she never does any housework, she is just playing a computer game, reading a comic book, eating and napping. Her father is not satisfied with her idle lifestyle but cannot help taking care of her. Spending time with him, relatives and neighbours, Tamako finds something changes in her mind through the turn of the four seasons.

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