

Vanilla Flavour Vůně vanilky

A dramatic love story, taking place in the final days of the Second World War when the American Army liberated the Plzeň (Pilsen) region of West Bohemia. Anne faces a difficult decision: to leave for America with the man she loves, or to stay home with her husband and children...?

Videotape, 86', m/e track, English subtitles, © 2001

Director: Jiří Strach

Rights Available: TV

Producer: Czech Television



Bonds of Blood Krev zmizelého

A stirring drama that follows the tragic fate of a mother and later that of her daughter during the fateful flow of history in Europe from the beginning of the Second World War until the year 1961.

Videotape, 127' or 4 x 69', English subtitles, © 2005

Director: Milan Cieslar

Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet

Producer: Czech Television, Happy Celluloid

Zelary Želary

The strong dramatic story unwinding amidst magnificent landscapes tells us about a fatal love that had grown from negative emotions and which was created from the common effort to survive under adverse conditions. Eliska, the modern, educated city girl, is given new identity and is forced to leave her home immediately, to become the wife of a mountain inhabitant and to live the simple life of poor mountain folk in a mountain village where life has not changed for a 150 years. This hamlet is called Zelary.

Videotape HDTV, 142', m/e track, English subtitles, © 2003

Director: Ondřej Trojan

Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet worldwide (excluding Austria, Slovenia, Slovakia and Hungary)

Producers: Czech Television, Total HelpArt T.H.A., Barrandov Studio, Dor Film, ALEF Film & Media Group



AWARDS

Annual Academy Awards 2003 – Nomination for an Oscar in the Best Foreign Language Film Category

11th Czech Lion 2003 – Best Actress in a Leading Role, Best Sound

51st Sydney International Film Festival 2004 – People's Choice Award

Karachi International Film Festival 2004 – The Best Musical Score

Bangkok International Film Festival 2005 – The Best Actress Kinnaree for Anna Geislerova



Halt, or I'll Miss! **Stůj, nebo se netrefím!**

This Czech situation comedy is set in April 1945, in a village and the surrounding countryside through which the defeated German army is escaping. The plot develops from a small misunderstanding, further mistakes and errors follow and a crazy comedy is the result.

Videotape HDTV, 88', m/e track, English subtitles, © 1998
Director: Jiří Chlumský
Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet
Producers: Czech Television, JMB Film & TV Production



Spring of Life **Pramen života**

Far from battlefields of World War II, the story of this powerful film focuses on the bizarre SS operation known as Lebensborn. The aim of this program was to breed racially pure children into the so-called master race.

Videotape HDTV, 106', m/e track, English subtitles, © 2000
Director: Milan Cieslar
Rights Available: TV
Producers: Czech Television, Happy Celluloid

AWARDS

- 10th Film Festival of East European Films, Cottbus 2000 – Special Mention
- 19th International Film Festival for Young People, Laon 2001
– City of Laon Award and Special Mention
- 17th Troia International Film Festival, Troia 2001 – Golden Dolphin (Golfinho de Prata) – The Best Actress
- 19th Carrousel International du film de Rimouski 2001 –
– The Camério Best Screenplay, Best Full Length, The CIFEJ Award
- 6th International Children's Film Festival „Schlingel“, Chemnitz 2001 –
– The CineStar: the best youth film awarded by a jury of young film enthusiasts

Just a Little Bit of Jazz **Eine kleine jazzmusik**

In German occupied Bohemia, jazz was prohibited and the Nazis prevented the young Czechs from playing even a few notes of their beloved American music. Life wasn't then about jazz, it was about survival, and only some of them managed to do so.

Videotape, 64', English subtitles, © 1996
Director: Zuzana Zemanová
Rights Available: TV
Producer: Czech Television



Colette Colette

The protagonists of the story, unfolding in the Auschwitz concentration camp, are Colette, a Jewish girl from Belgium, and Czech Jew Vili. Only their secret love helps them to survive the everyday horrors of the camp, where anything that can save life or at least postpone death for a while is an object of trading. It is devoted to all survivors of the holocaust.

Videotape HDTV, 120', m/e track, English version, © 2013

Director: Milan Cieslar

Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet

Producers: Czech Television, Happy Celluloid



Lesson in Dance and Love Hodina tance a lásky

A dramatic story, from the time close before the end of World War II, about lost illusions, experienced by an adolescent German girl who comprehends in a single day the monstrosity of fascism and the perversity in which her parents and people near and dear to her participate.

Videotape, 106', m/e track, English subtitles, © 2003

Director: Viktor Polesný

Rights Available: TV

Producer: Czech Television



Operation Silver A (1-2) Operace Silver A

This is a dramatic story about two beautiful young women in the cruel and dangerous days of the Protectorate Bohemia and Moravia during the Second World War. When women discover that their husbands are helping paratroopers sent over from Britain, they insist on participating. Very soon they realize that it is not just some exciting game...

Videotape, part 1 – 73', part 2 – 77', m/e track, English subtitles (part 1), © 2007

Director: Jiří Strach

Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet

Producer: Czech Television



A Song of Compassion **Píseň o lítosti**

A film is set in a remote Jewish village in Moravia. In the 1930s the approaching holocaust is not yet reflected in their lives, but the community, in which everyone always found sufficient compassion and pity, is finally subjected to a harsh reality: monstrous racial intolerance from people who have no such humility in their characters.

Videotape, 77', m/e track, English subtitles, © 1998

Director: Dušan Klein

Rights Available: TV

Producer: Czech Television

Divided We Fall **Musíme si pomáhat**

A black comedy about the ability of fear and necessity to turn common people into heroes. A childless Czech couple named Josef and Marie decide to offer to a Jew neighbour refuge in their home. This is the beginning of a dramatic fight for survival that forever connects their fates.

Videotape, 117', m/e track, English subtitles, © 2000

Director: Jan Hřebejk

Rights Available: TV, Video

Producers: Czech Television, Total HelpArt T.H.A.



AWARDS

19th International Film Festival, Vancouver 2000 – Air Canada Peoples Choice Award

10th Film Festival of East European Films, Cottbus, Germany 2000 – FIPRESCI Prize

24th International Film Festival, Portland 2001 – Audience Award

48th International Film Festival, Sydney 2001 – Prix UIP Award

Lubuskie Lato Filmowe, Lagow 2001 – Silver Grape

Annual Academy Awards 2001 – Nomination for an Oscar

the Best Foreign Language Film Award category



My Lucky Star Má šťastná hvězda

The story of a woman who survived the hell of several concentration camps. Zdenka Fantlová recounts her unique life story.

Videotape, 57', English subtitles, © 2004

Director: Helena Třeštíková

Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet

Producers: Czech Television, Helena Třeštíková



Hitler, Stalin and I Hitler, Stalin a já

Mrs. Heda Margolius-Kovály was born in Prague, in the Jewish family of a co-founder of the famous Koh-i-noor company. In this documentary film, she tells the story of her life, drawing a gripping picture of the 20th century with two devastating totalitarian regimes which swept through Europe and influenced the destinies of its inhabitants.

Videotape, 56', English subtitles, © 2001

Director: Helena Třeštíková

Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet

Producers: Czech Television, Helena Třeštíková



Oh, You Black Bird O, ty černý ptáčku

This documentary is the most comprehensive television production on an intentionally forgotten holocaust, a protest against every act of terror or racism. During the Second World War, two Nazi concentration camps were built in the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia with the aim of eliminating the Romany population.

Videotape, 59', English subtitles, © 1997

Director: Břetislav Rychlík

Rights Available: TV, Video

Producer: Czech Television

Chosen to Suffer

(Life Stories of the Jewish Population in the Bohemian Forest and the Bavarian Forest)

Vyvolení k utrpení

(Osudy židovského obyvatelstva na Šumavě a v Bavorském lese)

The three-part documentary tells the stories of the Jewish population in the mountainous region on both sides of the border between South-West Bohemia and Bavaria, from the early 10th century to the full emancipation of this ethnic group at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries, the catastrophe of the Nazi occupation and the Second World War till present time.

Videotape HDTV, 3 x 52', English and German version, © 2012

Director: Zdeněk Flídr

Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet

Producers: Czech Television, Mgr. Zdeněk Flídr – ZF FILM



When Weeping Laughs

Když se pláč směje

This documentary film consists of personal reminiscences by several former prisoners at Theresienstadt concentration camp. Nazi propaganda talked of the Theresienstadt camp as of a town full of happy and contented Jews.

Videotape, 28', English subtitles, © 2004

Director: Jaroslav Hovorka

Rights Available: TV, Video, Internet

Producer: Czech Television

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