

THE SCHOOL FOR PRINCES

ŠKOLA PRINCŮ

A fairy-tale with a humorous touch and a gripping romantic plot about Prince Peter whom his royal father, taking heed of the advice of his counsellors, decides to send to a school for princes. The problem is that Peter is a little too good and kind-hearted, and needs to be "retrained" to become a perfect ruler. The king who has founded the school has a daughter called Lenka who finds it boring to study. When the two youngsters meet, they immediately fall in love with each other. Both however do not own up to their real status, which naturally results in a series of complicated situations and tests. But as is the case in every proper fairy tale, they both grow wise and all turns out as planned.



Video HD, m/e track,
English subtitles, © 2010, 70'53''

Directed by: ROMAN VÁVRA
Screenplay: MIROSLAV ADAMEC
Director of Photography: MILOSLAV HOLMAN
Editor: PAVEL ŠÍSTEK
Sound: IVAN HORÁK
Music: ONDŘEJ BROUSEK
Costume Designer: VĚRA MÍROVÁ
Producer: CZECH TELEVISION

Starring:
MATOUŠ RUML,
SARAH HAVÁČOVÁ, PAVEL LIŠKA,
JIŘÍ LÁBUS, OLDŘICH NAVRÁTIL,
PETR ČTVRTNÍČEK,
ZDENA HADRBOLCOVÁ
and others

WATERMAN AND CAROLINE

VODNÍK A KAROLÍNKA

When waterman Jonas and the miller's daughter Carolina take a fancy to each other, things are far from easy for both of them. Jonas's grumpy father Hasterbuch warns his son's against dating a village girl, and Caroline has no idea that her beloved Jonas is not of the human race. Then there's the miller's assistant Libor, who is doing everything to protect the whole village and particularly Caroline from the "soppy scoundrel".



What does it matter that to do so he resorts to lies and intrigues? The main thing is to make Caroline jilt Jonas and bestow her affection on himself. Soon it is clear to everybody who is responsible for the disappearance of the local night watchman, the flour gone bad, the fire of the mill and other trickery. The villagers decide to organize a hunt of the water sprite. Caroline betrays Jonas and the old water sprite puts a hex on her, turning her into a frog. Now it's up to Caroline to soften up Hasterbuch, prove Libor a liar, find Jonas and break the spell...

Video HD, m/e track,
English subtitles, © 2010, 57'26''

Directed by: JAROSLAV HOVORKA
Screenplay: MIROSLAV OŠČATKA
Director of Photography: FILIP HAVELKA
Editor: MICHAL CUC
Sound: IVAN HÁJEK

MUSIC: KAREL CÓN
Costume Designer: EVŽENIE RÁŽOVÁ
Producer: CZECH TELEVISION

Starring:
IVANA KOROLOVÁ, FILIP CÍL, JOSEF SOMR, DAVID PRACHAŘ, JITKA SEDLÁČKOVÁ, JAKUB GOTTWALD, MIROSLAV TÁBORSKÝ and others

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SNOW DRAGON

SNĚŽNÝ DRAK

A fairy tale about a princess who is growing up without her mother. Her father the king, a kind and righteous man, loves her dearly, but is determined to marry her off at all costs: no-one knows why he's in such a hurry. He organises a grand ball in the chateau, at which a number of princes curry for her favour. But the one whom the princess chooses herself is not at all to the liking of her Dad – for reasons which nobody understands. It's not until later that we learn about the ancient curse, the Queen of the Witch Realm, and the Snow Dragon. For the curse to be annulled, the princess and her intended have to undertake a difficult and dangerous journey during which they are confronted with many obstacles, to find out at its end that only true love can triumph over evil.



Video HD, m/e track,
English subtitles, © 2012, 90'

Directed by: EUGEN SOKOLOVSKÝ, Jr.
Screenplay by: JAN GARDNER
Director of Photography: DAVID
PLOYHAR
Editor: MONIKA HLAVATÁ
Sound: RADOMÍR GEYER
Music: ROBERT JÍŠA
Costume Designer: EVŽENIE RÁŽOVÁ
Producer: CZECH TELEVISION

Starring:
PETRA TENOROVÁ, PETR LNĚNIČKA,
ALEXANDR RAŠILOV, ZUZANA
SLAVÍKOVÁ, JITKA ČVANČAROVÁ,
ARNOŠT GOLDFLAM, MARTIN
MYŠIČKA, PAVLA TOMICOVÁ, JIŘÍ
PECHA, JIŘÍ HÁJEK, PAVEL LIŠKA,
TOMÁŠ MATONHA and others

LUCKY LOSER

ŠŤASTNÝ SMOLAŘ

The main hero of the story is Philip, a boy dogged by bad luck ever since his birth. All because his father tried to outwit Fortune herself, thus calling her wrath down on himself and – what's worse – on his son as well. To make things even worse, Philip falls in love with Fortune's lost daughter Hannie. In an effort to win her love, and also in order to shake off the bad luck with which he's bedevilled, Philip sets out into the wide world. Of fateful importance is his encounter with a man suffering from a strange addiction: lying. He has lied his way through life so far that he has forgotten his name, and calls himself Anybody. Surprisingly it is this funny crouny who helps Philip win the uneven struggle for his sweetheart.



Video HD, m/e track, English subtitles,
© 2012, 99'30''

Directed by: JIŘÍ STRACH
Screenplay by: MAREK EPSTEIN
Director of Photography: MARTIN ŠEC
Editor: JAN MATTLACH
Sound: LADISLAV JEŽEK
Music: JAN JIRÁSEK
Costume Designer: JARMILA KONEČNÁ
Producer: CZECH TELEVISION

Starring:
FILIP CÍL, MARTINA ZÁBRANSKÁ,
IVAN TROJAN, JIŘÍ DVOŘÁK,
JIŘINA BOHDALOVÁ, DAGMAR HAVLOVÁ,
ONDŘEJ VETČÝ, LENKA VLASÁKOVÁ,
JOSEF SOMR
and others

MONTH'S RULERS

DVANÁCT MĚSÍČKŮ

On Christmas Eve the peace of a small village below the mountains is disturbed by the arrival of its native – a young man called Charlie, an eligible bachelor returning from abroad, where he has evidently done well. He becomes an attractive catch for all the village girls eager for marriage, to such extent that they take his cottage by storm. But Charlie has no intention to have the yoke of matrimony put on his neck. And so his brother Nicky thinks of a way to escape it: set the girls unworkable tasks. Mary's spoilt half-sister Kathy is eager to marry, too, and her mother orders Mary to fulfil the difficult tasks for her. But nobody has any idea of the existence and the might of the mysterious Months. Yet it is not by pure chance that Mary makes their acquaintance. They help her to find violets and strawberries in the middle of winter, and make an old apple tree come alive. Despite her stepmother's and half-sister's scheming, lies and advances, Charlie takes notice of Mary, and they take a liking to each other.



Video HD, m/e track, English subtitles,
© 2012, 96'29''

Directed by: KAREL JANÁK
Screenplay by: KAREL JANÁK, JANA
JANÍKOVÁ
Director of Photography: MARTIN PREISS
Editor: MARTIN KIROV
Sound: MICHAL PEKÁREK
Music: ONDŘEJ BRZOBOHATÝ
Costume Designer: DAGMAR ŠTEFFLOVÁ
Producer: CZECH TELEVISION

Starring:
MARIE MAJKUSOVÁ, ROMAN VOJTEK,
VERONIKA ŽILKOVÁ, JAN KOMÍNEK,
IVANA KOROLOVÁ,
VLADIMÍR ČAPKA, VÁCLAV
POSTRÁNECKÝ, OTA JIRÁK, MIROSLAV
TÁBORSKÝ, PAVEL KRÍŽ, RADOSLAV
BRZOBOHATÝ and others

THE TREASURE

O POKLADECH

A fairy tale which does not lack in humour and suspense. It starts in a small town where preparations for a theatre show are in full swing. The play on the programme is based on a local legend about a huge treasure hidden deep underground. Many are those who wish to find it, but whoever sets out to look for it never returns. The protagonists of the performance are two sisters, Kathy and Barbra, and musician Jake, Barbra's jealous boyfriend. The theme of the play appeals to the greedy lord of the chateau Bořivoj of Hájek, who comes with his brother Ignatz, eccentric inventor and explorer. While somewhere underneath, at the real treasure, its three ghostly guards sit and devise all sorts of pastimes which do not please the Ruler of the Underground at all. His patience runs out when the bored guards interfere with the fates of the humans – making a bet about how the relationship between Jake and Barbra will turn out. A series of unfortunate, sometimes comic misunderstandings culminates in a dangerous expedition of three treasure seekers – Barbra, Jake and lord Bořivoj – of whom each has different motivation, and each is faced different trials and pitfalls...



Video HD, m/e track, English subtitles,
© 2012, 83'16''

Directed by: VÍT KARAS
Screenplay by: IRENA DOUSKOVÁ
Director of Photography: PAVEL BERKOVIČ
Editor: MICHAL HÝKA
Sound: PETR ČECHÁK, JURAJ MRAVEC
Music: ONDŘEJ BROUSEK
Costume Designer: JARMILA KONEČNÁ
Producer: CZECH TELEVISION

Starring:
JANA PIDRMANOVÁ, ADAM KRAUS,
DAVID ŠVEHLÍK, VOJTĚCH DYK, MARKÉTA
FRÖSSLÓVÁ, KAREL HEŘMÁNEK, PAVEL
LIŠKA, JAN BUDAŘ, JOSEF POLÁŠEK,
TOMÁŠ TÖPFER and others