CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

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FIRST LOOK: Italy



MIA MADRE

Italy • Director: Nanni Moretti

Join us as we celebrate the glamor of going to the movies at **Opening Night** of the 51st Chicago International Film Festival with a premiere presentation of **Mia Madre** (My Mother)! **John Turturro** provides madcap comic relief as a self-important American actor in master filmmaker **Nanni Moretti's** latest personal tour de force. An overworked director tries to complete her new movie—a political statement about factory workers—while caring for her much-beloved mother, who lies dying in the hospital. Real life and art clash violently in this moving personal drama about the heavy cost of artistic integrity. *English, Italian with subtitles.* 106 min.

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ILLEGAL PORTRAITS

	Ritratti Abusivi Italy • Director: Romano Montesarchio	TUE 10/20 7:45 PM EFILLEG1
and Kumun I	Welcome to Parco Saraceno, a derelict neighborhood in southeast Italy. Built in the 1960s, its run-down houses once held the promise of suburban coastal bliss. Now home to a community of squatters, the development is a portrait of both poverty and resilience. Without power or resources, the residents persevere, finding new ways to live among the ruins and maintain their way of life—and their dignity. <i>Italian with subtitles. 71 min.</i>	WED 10/21 11:30 AM EFILLEG2

Featuring Q&A with Director Romano Montesarchio for each screening.

WE ARE FRANCESCO Noi siamo Francesco Italy • Director: Guendalina Zampagni	FRI 10/16 2:45 PM EFFRAN1
Guendalina Zampagni's coming-of-age comedy explores the world of its titular character, a college student born without arms, as he struggles to overcome his disability, land a girlfriend, and pursue a normal life. And then there's his biggest worry: He's still a virgin. This funny and heartfelt film shines with tenderness and compassion. <i>Italian with subtitles.</i> 87 min	SUN 10/25 5:15 PM EFFRAN2
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WHY A FILM ABOUT MICHELE DE LUCCI? Perché un film su Michele De Lucchi Italy • Director: Alessio Bozzer	TUE 10/20 6:00 PM EFLUCCI1
A portrait of the famous radical Italian designer and progenitor of the Maker Movement, this informative, playful documentary traces Michele De Lucchi's personal experiments and provocations. With De Lucchi serving as his own narrator, the film examines his pioneering achievements with	MON 10/26 3:30 PM EFLUCCI2

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the design movement Memphis, including the stripped-down "First Chair," the Oceanic Lamp, and a spectacular LED-lit bridge in Tbilisi, Georgia.



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Italian with subtitles. 65 min.



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Italy, France, Switzerland, Uk
Director: Paolo Sorrentino

From celebrated director Paolo Sorrentino (The Great Beauty) comes a witty meditation on age, talent, and wisdom. Fred (Michael Caine), an acclaimed composer, and his filmmaker best friend Nick (Harvey Keitel) are vacationing in the Swiss Alps together. One is firmly retired, while the other is trying to finish his final opus. With entire lifetimes in the rearview mirror, what could be left on the road ahead? 123 min.

SAT 10/24 8:15 PM **EFYOUTH1**

SUN 10/25 2:00 PM **EFYOUTH2**



WED 10/21 **MILANO 2015** 8:15 PM Italy • Director: Various EFMILA1 In this stunning omnibus feature, six Italian directors explore different facets THU 10/22 of contemporary Milan, from subways to skyscrapers, shuttered old 12:00 PM theaters to the inimitable La Scala. The result is a rich and eclectic portrait of urban life and spaces-both rooted in history and bursting with a EFMILA2 diversity of architecture and humanity. Italian with subtitles. 103 min.

YOU CAN'T SAVE YOURSELF ALONE Nessuno si salva da solo Italy • Director: Sergio Castelitto	WED 10/21 8:30 PM EFYOU1
A recently divorced couple (Italian acting virtuosos Riccardo Scamarcio and Jasmine Trinca) agrees to meet for dinner. They spend the meal reexamining their life together, opening new and old wounds alike, as they	THU 10/22 8:45 PM EFYOU2
ecall their promising beginnings, troubled middles, and hopeful endings. An emotionally rich, penetrating take on adult relationships, Sergio Castellitto's ilm offers a decidedly humanistic take on love and all its complications. <i>talian with subtitles. 102 min.</i>	WED 10/28 1:15 PM EFYOU3
SWORN VIRGIN Vergine giurata Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Albania • Director: Laura Bispuri	MON 10/26 7:30 PM EFSWORN1

In an Albanian mountain village, a young woman takes a culturally mandated vow of chastity and lives as a man to avoid an unwanted marriage. After 14 years, she leaves home for the first time. Tackling questions of tradition and identity, Laura Bispuri employs a mesmerizing lightness of touch, while Alba Rohrwacher delivers an extraordinary measured performance as Hanna/Mark. Albanian, Italian with subtitles. 84 min.

WED 10/28 8:15 PM **EFSWORN2**

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