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## ROK ĎÁBLA / YEAR OF THE DEVIL

PETR ZELENKA 2002, 90MIN

Year of the Devil is a 2002 Czech "Mockumentary" film directed by Petr Zelenka. It stars musicians who act as themselves: Czech folk music band Čechomor, musicians & poets Jaromír Nohavica, Karel Plihal & British/NZ musician & composer Jaz Coleman.

It was awarded the Crystal Globe at the Karlovy Vary International Film Festival  $\vartheta$  won the Findling Award  $\vartheta$  the FIPRESCI Prize at the Cottbus Film Festival of Young East European Cinema in 2002. In 2003 it won 6 Czech Lions, including Best Film, Best Director, Best Editing,  $\vartheta$  was nominated for 5 more, including Best Screenplay  $\vartheta$  Best Cinematography. In the same year it won the Prize Trieste at the Trieste Film Festival.



### NÁVRAT DIVOKÝCH KONÍ / Return of the Wild Horses

JAN HOŠEK 2011, 28MIN

The Central Asian Przewalski's Horse is the very last surviving wild horse species. The world learned of its existence only in 1881 – but less than a hundred years later it had already been driven to extinction in the wild, surviving only in the care of zoological gardens.

Extraordinary credit for the preservation of the Przewalski's horse goes to Prague Zoo, which in 1959 was charged with managing the international studbook for the species & which has bred over two hundred foals. Under the leadership of the late Prof. Veselovský, a former director of Prague Zoo, the Czech Republic became one of the leading organizers of international transports of Przewalski's horses back to their original homeland.

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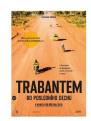
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#### ŽELARY / ŽELARY ONDŘEJ TROJAN 2003, 150MIN

Two lovers - a nurse named Eliska & a surgeon, Richard, join the resistance in Czechoslovakia during WW II. When they are discovered, the couple must separate & hide. Joza, one of Eliska's patients, agrees to take her to an isolated cabin in the small mountain village of Zelary until she can reunite with Richard. But Eliska & Joza end up living together for two vears & take on the persona of husband & wife.

The movie received a 2004 Academy Award nomination in the Best Foreign Language Film



#### **TRABANTEM** DO POSLEDNÍHO DECHU/ TRABANT-FROM **AUSTRALIA TO BANGKOK**

DAN PRIBÁŇ 2016, 96MIN

Czech adventurer Dan Přibáň is well-known as the team leader of a number of expeditions using what was considered the world's worst car - the Sovietera, East Germany made little Trabant. Where others would opt for all-terrain vehicles to travel some of the toughest areas on Earth, Přibáň & his colleagues chose the plastic Trabant for expeditions across Central Asia, Africa & South America. Last year, they returned from their most gruelling journey yet: Australia & South East Asia. A documentary about their



### DOMÁCÍ PÉČE / **HOME CARE**

SLÁVEK HORÁK 2015, 92MIN

Dedicated home care nurse Vlasta attends her whimsical patients in her Southern Moravia country region. But when she learns that she is ill & needs help herself she has to reach for it outside of her comfort zone

The film was selected as the Czech entry for the Best Foreign Language Film at the 88th Academy Awards but it was not nominated.



#### OBECNÁ ŠKOLA / THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JAN SVĚRÁK 1991, 97MIN

Comedy set in 1945-46, directed by Jan Svěrák. The screenplay comes from the pen of his father 7deněk Svěrák The film was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film in 1991 & is considered to be one of the best Czechoslovak films ever produced.



#### FILMOVÝ DOBRODRUH **KAREL ZEMAN / FILM ADVENTURER KAREL ZEMAN**

TOMÁŠ HODAN 2015, 102MIN

A documentary about Karel Zeman, a magician of the big screen. Without digital effects he brought audiences around the world back to prehistory, forward to the Moon & deep under the Sea

'Why do I make movies? I'm looking for terra incognita, a land on which no filmmaker has yet set foot, a planet where no director has planted his flag of conquest, a world that exists only in fairy tales.



#### POJEDEME K MOŘI / TO SEE THE SEA

JIŘÍ MÁDL 2014, 72MIN

The main character of the story is a ten-year-old boy named Thomas who receives a video camera for his birthday & decides to shoot a movie just like the famous director Miloš Forman, Therefore, he becomes the narrator, cameraman & director of a deeply human story, thanks to which we get to know his family, mommy, daddy, grandma, school, friends...



#### TŘI OŘÍŠKY PRO POPELKU / **THREE WISHES FOR CINDERELLA**

VÁCLAV VORLÍČEK 1973. 83MIN

Beautifully done Czechoslovak/ East German co-produced version of the classical fairy-tale. unusually set in winter.

A young woman is put upon by her stepmother & stepsister. The film employs a twist, though, when a handsome prince comes knocking. Cinderella does not simply fall into the prince's arms. In this version, he must actively pursue the young woman who is a skilled sharpshooter prone to wearing hunting outfits. Cinderella also has three wishes at her disposal, gained from three magic nuts.



#### LIDICE / LIDICE

PETR NIKOLAEV/ALICE NELLIS 2011, 126MIN

The movie tells the true story of a small village of Lidice near Prague, which was completely destroyed in June 1942 on orders from Adolf Hitler & Reichsführer-SS Heinrich Himmler in reprisal for the assassination of Reich Protector Reinhard Heydrich.



#### **FAIR PLAY**

ANNA SEDLÁČKOVÁ 2014. 100MIN

Prague 1983. The eighteen-yearold sprinter Anna, a top athlete, is placed on the Programme of "Specialized Care". She only finds out that she is being doped after some months, by accident. Anna refuses the doping, but her mother Irena decides to keep her daughter on doping without her knowledge in order to allow her the chance to run in the Olympic Games & emigrate.



## PELÍŠKY / COSY DENS

JAN HŘEBEJK 1999, 116MIN

A bittersweet coming-of-age story set in the months from Christmas 1967 leading up to the ill-fated 1968 Prague Spring.