

FILMS ABOUT DEMENTIA

Dementia (Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of dementia) is an illness which causes brain cells to die at a faster rate than normal. This leads to failing memory, deterioration of intellectual function and personality changes. Dementia is not normal ageing.

Presented by the Alzheimer's Disease Association as part of Dementia Awareness Week 2009, Films About Dementia feature four films 'Oriume', 'Thanmatra', 'Summer Snow' and 'Away From Her.' These films portray the impact of dementia on the lives of individuals and the challenges faced by their families. Winning entries from the Short-Film Competition 'Living with dementia' will be screened before each show.

ORIUME

- Language** : Japanese with English sub-titles
Director : Matsui Hisako
Cast : Mieko Harada, Masahiko Tsugawa, Tommies Masa, Tokiko Kato
Synopsis : A daughter-in-law's life is disrupted when her mother-in-law, diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, moves in to stay with her family. The film deals with facets of ageing with Alzheimer's and care giving issues.
Rating : PG
Date and Time : Sunday, 22 March 09, 3pm
Venue : Jubilee Hall, Raffles Hotel
(Use Seah Street/North Bridge Road entrance)
Ticket Price : \$6
(excluding SISTIC booking fee) \$5 (senior citizens and students)

THANMATRA

- Language** : Malayalam with English sub-titles
Director & Screenplay Writer : Blessy
Cast : Mohanlal, Meera Vasudev, Nedumudi Venu, Arjunlal
Synopsis : A story of an ordinary middle-class family of how they cope with their father who has Alzheimer's disease and overcome adversities through family bonding.
Winner BEST FILM, BEST DIRECTOR AND BEST SCREENPLAY – Kerala State Film Awards 2005
Rating : PG
Date and time : Sunday, 22 March 09, 7pm
Venue : Jubilee Hall, Raffles Hotel
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SUMMER SNOW

Language : Cantonese with English sub-titles
Director : Ann Hui
Cast : Josephine Siao, Roy Siao, Kar-Ying Law, Ann Hui
Synopsis : A story of a widower with Alzheimer's disease and his daughter-in-law trying to cope with the upheavals in her family and work life and taking care of him. She is the only person he still remembers.

Winner BEST ACTRESS and BEST FILM – Hong Kong Film Critics Society Awards, 1995

Winner BEST ACTRESS, BEST ACTOR, BEST FILM, BEST DIRECTOR, SCREENPLAY – 15th Annual Hong Kong Film Awards, 1996

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Date and time : Monday, 23 March 09, 7pm
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AWAY FROM HER

Language : English
Director : Sarah Polley
Cast : Julie Christie, Gordon Pinsent, Olympia Dukakis
Synopsis : Married for almost 50 years, Grant's and Fiona's commitment to each other appears unwavering. However, when Fiona is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease the couple is forced to wrenchingly redefine the limits of their love and loyalty – and face the complex, inevitable transition from lovers to strangers.

Winner BEST ACTRESS - Golden Globes 2007. Nominee BEST ACTRESS - Academy Awards 2007.

Rating : PG
Date and time : Tuesday, 24 March 09, 7pm
Venue : The Cathay Cineplex, Handy Road
(Sale of tickets online www.cathay.com.sg)
Ticket Price : \$7.50