



THE CZECH REPUBLIC PARTICIPATION INVITES YOU TO THE "WEEK OF CZECH FILM" AUGUST 30TH - SEPTEMBER 9TH 2005 METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHY EBISU- TOKYO

The Week of Czech Film is another accompanying event running alongside the Czech Participation at the EXPO 2005. As with other such accompanying events, it is in its own way both unique and atypical. Attention will be focused on the theme of the Art of Life as created by Czech film-makers over the last half-century.

It is no coincidence that the majority of the films we are presenting during the Week of Czech Film draw on our rich history and the twists and turns the Czech Republic and Czechoslovakia have been through. Neither is it a coincidence that the predominant genre in Czech film is comedy. Our history has taught us not to take ourselves too seriously, to view our actions with some distance and to be open to change. The programme includes both well-known and lesserknown Czech films, and two films receiving their Japanese premieres. This selection of the most successful Czech films is genuinely representative of modern Czech cinematography and in total offers the viewer a chance to see into the corners of the Czech national character, if we accept that such a thing exists.

Czech music has also been a great success at the World Exposition 2005 Aichi, and its devotees will find in our movie selection films dedicated to those greats of world music Antonin Dvořák and Leoš Janáček. They need no introduction in Japan. The whole of the Czech Republic's presentation at the World Exposition EXPO is intended as a forum for cultural exchange and mutual understanding. We firmly believe that for fans of Czech film the Metropolitan Museum of Photography in Ebisu will be the venue for just such an exchange in the first week of September.

<u>Venue</u>:

Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Ebisu - Tokyo

Programme:

30. 8.	31. 8.
11:00 Shop on the Main Street	11:00 Thanks for Every New Morning
13:30 The Elementary School	13:30 Cosy Dens
16:00 Sekal Has to Die	16:00 Lion With a White Mane
18:45 The Garden	18:45 Bored in Brno
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11:00 Loves of a Blonde	11:00 The Elementary School
13:30 The Firemen's Ball	13:30 Closely Watched Trains
16:00 Divided We Fall	16:00 Shop on the Main Street
18:45 Thanks for Every New Morning	18:45 Sekal Has to Die

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11:00 Closely Watched Trains	11:00 Lion With a White Mane
13:30 The Firemen's Ball	13:30 Kolya
16:00 My Sweet Little Village	16:00 Cosy Dens
18:45 Up and Down	18:45 Divided We Fall

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11:00 Year of a Devil	11:00 Concert at the End of Summer
13:30 Bored in Brno	13:30 Up and Down
16:00 Želary	16:00 Želary
18:45 My Sweet Little Village	18:45 Return of the Idiot

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11:00 The Jackal Years	11:00 Return of the Idiot
13:30 The Buttoners	13:30 Shadows of a Hot Summer
16:00 Marketa Lazarová	16:00 Greedy Guts - Little Otik
18:45 The Ride	18:45 Concert at the End of Summer