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## Reel life: Cary student's hometown film going to exhibition



Mary Hilbrink, a seventh grader in Cary, will have her documentary on her hometown screened at the American History Film Project's exhibition on June 6.



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## Film critics notebook:

• Mary Hilbrink, a Cary seventh grader at Trinity Oaks Christian Academy, is one of four students around the country to be chosen to show short films about their hometowns at the American History Film Project's exhibition this weekend.

Her movie, a report on Cary and the Curtis Candy Company headquarters there, will be presented on Saturday, June 6, in Annandale, Virginia. Hilbrink, the daughter of Mark and Marcy Hilbrink of Cary, will Skype an intro to

her short.

Martha Barnes, who founded the organization, writes in the AHFP website, "I wanted children across the USA to take pride and ownership of their own local or state history. ... When children across the USA create a short film about their local history and share their films with children in other states, they become the teachers."

You can watch Mary's film short at bit.ly/1EUgcU8 (http://bit.ly/1EUgcU8). For the American History Film Project, go to bit.ly/1JjqFjT (http://bit.ly/1JjqFjT).

- The After Hours Film Society presents Danny Tedesco's music documentary "The Wrecking Crew," chronicling the work of the unknown studio musicians who backed up the big hits by such acts as the Beach Boys and the Monkees for years. Interviews with Herb Alpert, Dick Clark and Glen Campbell. It starts at 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 8, at the Tivoli Theatre, 5021 Highland Ave., Downers Grove. Admission costs \$10 (\$6 members). (PG) 104 minutes. afterhoursfilmsociety.com (http://afterhoursfilmsociety.com).
- The Chicago Film Critics Association presents Robert Altman's interpretation of Popeye the Sailor Man in the 1980 comedy "Popeye" starring Robin Williams as the spinach-eating hero, 1 and 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, as part of the Critics' Classics Film Series at the Elk Grove Cinema, 1050 Arlington Heights Road, Elk Grove Village.

CFCA board of directors member and Cary resident Peter Sobczynski will introduce the movie and lead a post-screening discussion. \$5 admission. Go to classicinemas.com (http://classicinemas.com).

• Classic Cinemas, the constantly innovative, family-owned theater chain based in Downers Grove, introduces a new art-film series called Art @ York that will show specialty movies on the second Wednesday of every month at the York Theatre, 150 N. York St., Elmhurst. The first entry will be the documentary "Tim's Vermeer" at 1 and 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 10. Matinee admission costs \$6.50, \$9 for evening shows. (Psst! Seniors! You're only \$5.)

Come early at 12:30 p.m. to hear the baby Barton Theatre organ played by Dave Rhodes, organist at the Tivoli Theatre in Downers Grove. By the way, the Art @ York selections are chosen by an advisory panel that also sets up guest lectures and Q&A sessions. Go to classiccinemas.com (http://classiccinemas.com).

• Classic Cinemas' Wednesday Morning Movie Series starts Wednesday, June 10, and runs every Wednesday through Aug. 5, with shows at 10 a.m. Admission costs \$1. The PG-rated films will be preceded by games and costumed characters. Groups of 15 or more cost \$5.50 per ticket, including a Kiddie Combo and reserved seating. Contact Jodi Akers at jakers@classiccinemas.com.

The schedule includes "Mr. Peabody and Sherman" (June 10), "The Boxtrolls" (June 17), "How to Train Your Dragon 2" (June 24), "Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb" (July 1), "Penguins of Madagascar" (July 8), "Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb" (July 15), "The Book of Life" (July 22) and "The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water" (July 29). The Aug. 5 movie will be announced next month. Go to classiccinemas.com.

<i>• Dann Gire's Reel Life column runs every Friday in Time out!</i>