

Happy Holidays to our former students

Howdy! The members of MSC Aggie Cinema are happy to bring you our first inaugural newsletter! A lot has changed since you've left us, but our dedication to bringing quality films to campus has not. In this newsletter you'll be able to catch up with what we are doing on campus to better our members and serve the community.



Co-Programs by Victoria Flowers

MSC Aggie Cinema prides itself on working with other students on campus. This semester we partnered with Aggie SWAMP and MSC Hospitality. Our largest partnership screening was with MSC CAMAC. With support from the Cantu Foundation, MSC CAMAC and Aggie Cinema screened the documentary *DisemPOWERed: Puerto Rico's Perfect Storm* which talks about the the ongoing recovery of Puerto Rico after the Hurricane Maria disaster in 2017. After the screening, Professor Cecilio Ortiz Garcia, who was one of the film's producers and is also a professor at the University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, answered questions from the audience and spoke about the process of making the film.

Our Fall 2019 Films!



Avengers: Endgame
August 23



Detective Pikachu
September 6



Mean Girls
September 20



WALL-E
October 4



Us
October 18



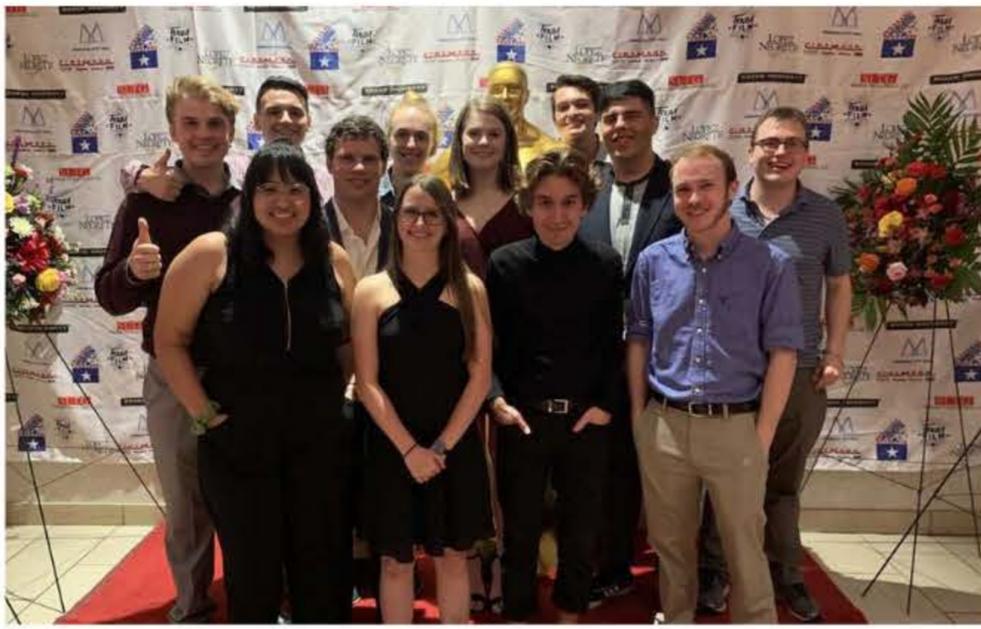
BlackKkLansman
October 25



Spider-Man:
Far From Home
November 1



The Lion King (2019)
November 15



Growth Opportunities

Houston Film Festival by Ryan Hill

The Houston World Fest International Film Festival trip in 2019 is a worthwhile learning and growth experience for Aggie Cinema members. One thing I loved about the experience was watching films that were passion projects or directorial debuts from places as close as Houston or as far as China. Following every screening, MSC Aggie Cinema members engaged in conversations about our response to the films. Chance Nichols, a member of MSC Aggie Cinema, talked about the films he enjoyed most were “films [that] bled with originality and a sort of freshness that allowed them to showcase the topics and issues they chose to explore in ways which felt so unique and noteworthy that they compelled the audience to take in each second with a renewed sense of appreciation.” MSC Aggie Cinema members will attend Houston World Fest IFF again in 2020!

Fundraising

by Peter Foster

In August, Aggie Cinema held the annual poster sale with MSC Town Hall and MSC Visual Arts Committee. Students learned valuable customer service skills as they volunteered throughout the week. The sale was a success, we raised \$850 to fund Aggie Cinema socials and gatherings. During the fall semester, we sold Lemon Chills at Kyle Field during football games as a profitshare with Brazos Valley Troupe, we raised \$1000 to help fund our annual film festival trip in 2020. Members look forward to new fundraising activities next year!

MSC Aggie Cinema Loyalty Card
 See **4 movies** with us and get a **FREE t-shirt**
 Check cinema.tamu.edu for updates!

 Detective Pikachu September 6th MSC 2400	 Mean Girls September 20th MSC 2400	 WALL-E October 4th Inhibition 117	 US October 18th MSC 2400	 Blockbuster October 25th Water Creek Community Ctr. 116
 Spider-Man: Far From Home November 1st MSC 2400	 The Lion King (2019) November 15th MSC 2300	All movies start at 7pm Admission is FREE!		

New Initiatives

Loyalty Cards and Shirts

Our Loyalty Card program is going strong in its second year! This initiative has been very successful at boosting our attendance numbers. It not only rewards people for coming to more screenings, it also allows our audiences to learn more about Aggie Cinema. Loyalty Card holders who attend 4 movies a semester get a special MSC Aggie Cinema loyal fan t-shirt!

Leadership Highlight: Jon Vega Chair of MSC Aggie Cinema 2019-2020

"Howdy! My name is Jon Vega. I am an Aerospace Engineering major and mathematics minor in the class of 2020. I have the honor of serving as Chair of MSC Aggie Cinema from the 2019-2020 school year. Helping me lead the organization is amazing executive team. With them, we've been able to go above and beyond previous years to make every one of our programs a success."



An Interview with One of Our Newer Members

Lilly Cantrell



What is your favorite movie?

My favorite movie changes almost on a monthly basis, but currently, it is *On the Basis of Sex*. I really enjoy the performances of both Armie Hammer and Felicity Jones. In addition, the screenwriting perfectly portrays the success story of Ruth Bader Ginsberg.

What's in Theaters . . .

Joker reviewed by Cole Luster

In October, there was a group outing to see the new Todd Phillips film, *Joker*. Although the DC comic character has been performed by countless actors from Cesar Romero, on television adaptations, to Heath Ledger, in the Christopher Nolan trilogy, Joaquin Phoenix delivers a riveting performance. His slow progression into insanity is well timed and still unsettling to think about weeks after viewing. Some members believe the performance by Phoenix is Oscar worthy. In a world where it seems every weekend there is a new Avengers movie, the Todd Phillips adaptation of the joker was quite refreshing.

What is your favorite part of being a member of Aggie Cinema?

My favorite part about being a member of Aggie Cinema is working the screenings because not only do I get to socialize with other members, I also get to see the joy it brings to other Aggies when they watch the films. It is always great to hear laughs, sighs, and applause from the screening room because it means that they are engaged and enjoying the film we brought.

What leadership qualities have you gained from Aggie Cinema?

One leadership skill I have gained from Aggie Cinema is effective communication, whether getting the word out about movies or expressing opinions within my committee about which movie to screen next. Accountability is another quality that I have improved by working in Aggie Cinema. A great example of this is signing up for extra shifts for the poster sale to make sure I was doing my part for our fundraising.





HAPPY NEW YEAR

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