

Movies made by kids

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Take a handful of eight- to eleven-year-olds, fold in a liberal amount of enthusiasm, blend in bits of creativity and originality, and stir around movie cameras and rolls and rolls of film. Gradually add music and background sound and let sit.

The result is 20 happy kids, 20 proud families, a handful of pleased teachers and three days of film entertainment.

"Movies made by kids" will open the fifth annual University summer sessions educational media festival at Sheldon Art Gallery auditorium today, tomorrow and Thursday.

"Movies Made by Kids" are films produced during a six-week workshop which ended July 13 at Belmont School. The workshop is a Cooperative Schools (Training Teachers of Teachers) project.

Workshop fun

"I'd thought it'd (workshop) be fun and it has been!" Lee Doudney said. Ten-year-old Lee is one of the aspiring film producers whose work will be shown at the festival.

Lee said he had learned a little about film making this past school year at Belmont School and that he'd like to become a news photographer or a film producer/director.

Lee's movie which will be shown at the festival is an avant garde film.

He tries hard to act modest, but he is bursting with pride and enthusiasm. Lee now is working on a nature film, complete with sound, which he hopes will be shown soon on Lincoln's ETV station.

Show kid's work

The educational media festival is sponsored by the University of Nebraska Instructional Media Center, the Cooperative School Project (ITTI), Sheldon Art Gallery and the Association of Media Educators of Nebraska.

"The major reason for the festival is to expose and show what kids are producing," said James Buterbaugh, director of the Instructional Media Center.

Nine-year-old Randy Ayres is another aspiring photographer and film maker. He said he wants to be a commercial photographer.

"I really hope they have this workshop next year," Randy said. "It's been loads of fun!"

The film festival involves students from the Lincoln Public Schools, Omaha Westside and the University.

"Movies made by Kids" will be shown everyday from 10 to 11 a.m. The festival is free to the public and everyone is invited to attend.



SCHEDULE OF FESTIVAL Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Sheldon Art Gallery Auditorium

10:00 - 11:00

"Movies Made by Kids", films produced during a six-week workshop at Belmont Elementary School, Jane Novotny, Coordinator, Cooperative Schools Project, UNL Lincoln Public Schools.

11:00 - 12:00

"Films to Help Clarify Personal Values", Charles Dull, Consultant in Laboratory Education, Concordia Teachers College, Seward, Nebraska.

12:00 - 1:00

Nebraska Elementary Student Photography Display.

1:00 - 2:00

"The Real World of Children", film produced by students of the Omaha Westside Community School Film grant program sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts, Nebraska Arts Council, Lavonne Mitchell, Elementary Arts Consultant, Omaha Westside Community School, Carl Clark, Director of Filmmaking, Omaha Westside Community School.

2:00 - 3:00

Selected list of films dealing with film production and video clarification, James Titcomb, Supervisor, University Film

Library, Instructional Media Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. New titles each day.

3:00 - 4:00

"The Orchard Heritage", a film produced by Mike Brown and Jim Farnham, UNL students. Presented in cooperation with the American Film Institute.

FILM FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Let the Rain Settle In (13 min. color)
Loneliness and Loving (From the Motion Picture "Five Easy Pieces") 18 min. color

Wednesday

After the First 13 (10 min. color)
Whether to Tell the Truth (From the Motion Picture "On the Waterfront") 18 min. color

Editor (From the Filmmaking School) 15 min. color
Flutterbye (10 min. color)

Thursday

The Stray (14 min. color)
Trouble With the Law (From the Motion Picture "Parasite of Hindenburg") 18 min. color

Professional Photographer (From the Filmmaking School) 15 min. color
Flutterbye (10 min. color)



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