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YouTube Silent Classics

Here is a short list of classic silent horror films you can watch right now on your computer. All of these films are in the public domain. Unfortunately only one of these has some organ accompaniment. Still, fun to watch every October. Simply click on the link below the description text to watch that film.



The Haunted Castle Le Manoir du Diable (1896)

This is considered the first horror movie ever made. In this 3 and a half minute film, Mephistopheles appears in a castle and conjures up various supernatural creatures full of mischief before being banished in the end.

Link: http://youtu.be/OPmKaz3Quzo



Phantom of the Opera (1925)

A 1925 American silent horror film adaptation of the Gaston Leroux novel of the same title directed by Rupert Julian. The film featured Lon Chaney in the title role as the deformed Phantom who haunts the Paris Opera House, causing murder and mayhem in an attempt to force the management to make the woman he loves a star. It is most famous for Lon Chaney's intentionally horrific, selfapplied make-up, which was kept a studio secret until the film's premiere.

Link: http://youtu.be/FgiPXFVY0T8



This is the first film adaptation of Mary Shelley's novel of the same name. Shot in three days at Edison Studios in the Bronx, it features actors Augustus Phillips as Dr. Frankenstein, Charles Ogle as the Monster, and Mary Fuller as doctor's fiancee and was directed by J. Searle Dawley.

Link: http://youtu.be/TcLxsOJK9bs



The Cat and the Canary (1927)

Directed by German Expressionist filmmaker Paul Leni, the film stars Laura La Plante as Annabelle West, Forrest Stanley as Charles "Charlie" Wilder, and Creighton Hale as Paul Jones. The plot revolves around the death of Cyrus West, and the reading of his will 20 years later. Annabelle inherits her uncle's fortune, but when she and her family spend the night in his haunted mansion they are stalked by a mysterious figure. Meanwhile, a lunatic known as "the Cat" escapes from an asylum and hides in the mansion.

Link: http://youtu.be/6pEuQ5QjaEQ



Dr. Jekyll And Mr. Hyde (1920)

Produced by famous Players-Lasky and released through Paramount/Artcraft, the film is based upon Robert Louis Stevenson's novella "The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" and starring actor John Barrymore. It is best known for its transformation sequence which can be found at about the 24:00 mark. The film was directed by John S. Robertson and co-starred Nita Naldi.

Link: http://youtu.be/ho8-vK0L1_8

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

11/2/12

Open Console, 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm Cleveland High School

11/21/12

Open Console, 10:15 am - noon Hollywood Theatre

11/27/12

CRTOS Board Meeting, 7pm Izzy's at Gateway

12/19/12

Open Console, 10:15 am - noon Hollywood Theatre

No December Board Meeting

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Monthly CRTOS Board Meeting 4th Tuesday of the month

Izzy's Restaurant at the Gateway Shopping Center 1307 NE 102nd. Ave., PDX 7 PM (no-host dinner at 6:30)

All members are encouraged to attend.

The Columbia River Theatre Organ Society is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to the preservation of the theatre organ and its music.



CRTOS Business Meeting Minutes

September, 25 2012

President Jack Powers called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Those present were: Jonas Nordwall, Rob Kingdom, Steve Jarvis, Jack Powers, Mike Bryant, Lou Paff, Terry Robson, Bo Vernier, and Max Brown.

The treasurer's report and August 28, 2012 minutes were approved and accepted as presented with one exception. The secretary had accidently left off Lou and Lynn Paff who were also in attendance. My apologies to both of them.

Terry Robson presented a report on the silent film festival. There was a unanimous vote to go ahead with the film festival.

The Hollywood organ seems to working well at this time.

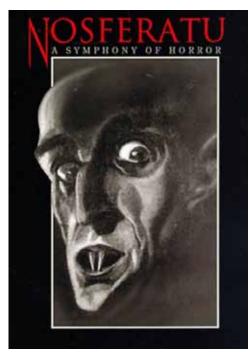
We were made aware of interest in the purchase of one of the spare blowers the club has. The Board agreed to sell.

The Board approved the purchase of KVM up to a maximum of \$300.00

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Max Brown, Secretary

More YouTube Silent Classics



Nosferatu (1922)

Ask film buffs to name the greatest silent horror movie ever made, and you'll find quite a few who name this one. Adapted (without authorization) from Bram Stoker's Dracula, it's best known for the long-nailed, wide-eyed performance of German actor Max Schreck as the vampire Count Orlok.

YouTube Link: http://youtu.be/rcyzubFvBsA

There are quite a few silent films available to watch on YouTube. You can browse their collection at http://www.youtube.com/movies/classics. Simply select Free Movies above the first row of movie posters to narrow the listings. Enjoy!



The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari (1920)

Directed by Robert Wiene from a screenplay by Hans Janowitz and Carl Mayer. It is one of the most influential of German Expressionist films and is often considered one of the greatest horror movies of the silent era. The film used stylized sets, with abstract, jagged buildings painted on canvas backdrops and flats. These unique sets gave off somewhat of a theatrical sense. To add to this strange style, the actors used an unrealistic technique that exhibited jerky and dancelike movements. This movie is cited as having introduced the twist ending in cinema.

Link: http://youtu.be/xrg73BUxJLI