

ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL USA

of Kansas City

April 6 – 27, 2023



Enjoy the local premieres of three recent, critically-acclaimed Italian films and a program of short films at the 2023 Italian Film Festival USA of Kansas City. All films shown in Italian with English subtitles at the Student Union Theater, Room 103, on the campus of the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Sponsored by Volpi Foods and the Italian Cultural Institute of Chicago, in collaboration with UMKC.



DON'T STOP ME NOW • MA COSA CI DICE IL CERVELLO

Thursday, April 6 • 6:30 p.m.

(Director, Ricardo Milani, Comedy, 2019, 98 min.)

Giovanna maintains a low-profile as an accountant and in her home life, where she is busy with her daughter and her overbearing mother. But behind this dull façade, Giovanna is actually a secret agent!



THE CHAMPION • IL CAMPIONE

Wednesday, April 12 • 6:30 p.m.

(Director, Leonardo D'Agostini, Comedy/Drama, 2019, 105 min.)

Young, talented, and very spoiled, Christian Ferro is "The Champion," a rock star of the soccer world. Valerio, lonely and shy, is the professor who is assigned to the young soccer star to help him pass his high school equivalency exam. The two men could not be more different. But they will learn to lean on each other, generating a bond that will change them both.



SHORT FILM PROGRAM • PROGRAMMA DI CORTOMETRAGGI

Wednesday, April 19 • 6:30 p.m.

(Comedy, Drama, Animation 2022, 110 min.)

Six recent films—*L'allaccio*, *Mammarranca*, *Briciole*, *Caramelle*, *Story of Your Life* and *Tana libera tutti*—are in competition for your vote for best short film.



THE INVISIBLE WITNESS • IL TESTIMONE INVISIBILE

Thursday, April 27 • 6:30 p.m.

(Director, Stefano Mordini, Drama, 2018, 102 min.)

Adriano, a rich industrialist, is charged with murder. He chooses Virginia Ferrara, a veteran criminal attorney who has never lost a trial, to decide the defensive strategy. With no alternative, Adriano is forced to tell the full truth to the lawyer. Will he be freed?

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