

16:30 **Surprise II**

18:15 **The Phantom Planet** (1961)

Rated G (82 min.) Director: William Marshall  
With Dean Fredericks, Coleen Gray, Anthony Dexter

The mysterious appearance of an unknown planet brings miniature people, giant monsters, beautiful women and undaunted heroes to the screen. The self-contained planet “Rheton” has the ability to move in and out of galaxies to escape their enemies. Earth sends an astronaut team to investigate, which discovers miniature people. One astronaut survives to help them fight off monsters and Solorite attacks.

19:45 **The Fifth Element** (1997)

Rated PG-13 (126 min.) Director: Luc Besson  
With Bruce Willis, Gary Oldman, Milla Jovovich, Chris Tucker

Two hundred and fifty years in the future, life as we know it is threatened by the arrival of Evil. Only the fifth element can stop the Evil from extinguishing life, as it tries to do every five thousand years. She is helped by ex-soldier turned cab driver Korben Dallas. Unfortunately, Evil is being assisted by Mr. Zorg, who seeks to profit from the chaos that Evil will bring and his alien mercenaries.

22:00 **The City of Lost Children** (1995)

Rated R (112 min.) Director: Marc Caro, Jean-Pierre Jeunet  
With Ron Perlman, Daniel Emilfork, Judith Vittet

In a surrealistic and bizarre society, children have been abducted by a mad and evil scientist, Krank, who wants to steal their dreams and stop his aging process. When a circus strongman’s little brother is kidnapped, the strongman (One) tracks him down and, with the help of some other eccentric characters, tries to put an end to the evil reign of Krank and his Cyclops army.

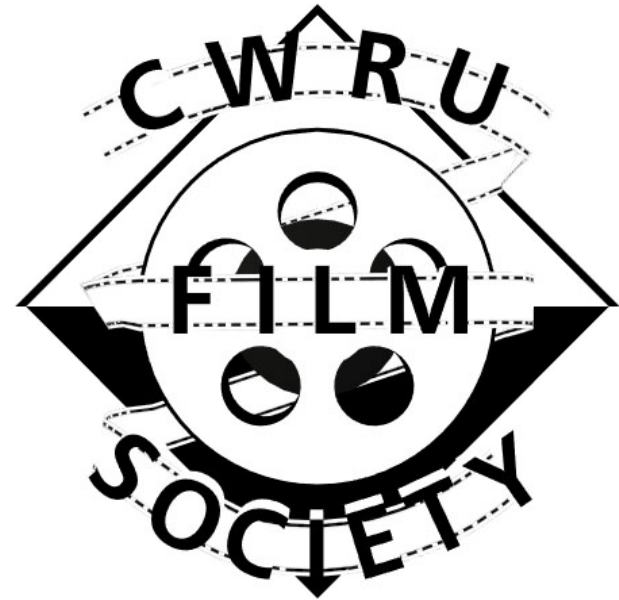
*Sunday, January 17*

00:00 **Surprise III**

02:00 **District 9** (2009)

Rated R (112 min.) Director: Neill Blomkamp  
With Sharlto Copley, Jason Cope, Nathalie Boltz

In 1990, a massive star ship bearing a bedraggled alien population appeared over Johannesburg, South Africa. Twenty years later, the initial welcome by the human population has faded. The refugee camp where the aliens were located has deteriorated into a militarized ghetto called District 9. A munitions corporation is contracted to forcibly evict the population with operative Wikus van der Merwe in charge. In this operation, Wikus is exposed to a strange alien chemical and must rely on the help of his only two new alien friends.



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# The 35th Annual Science Fiction Marathon

Friday, January 15–Sunday, January 17, 2010  
Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio

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Movie Information provided by the Internet Movie Database ([www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com)).  
Movies and times subject to change and may vary wildly as the night progresses.

## *Friday, January 15*

### 20:00 **Terminator Salvation** (2009)

Rated PG-13 (115 min.) Director: McG

With Christian Bale, Sam Worthington, Anton Yelchin

Set in post-apocalyptic 2018, John Connor is the man fated to lead the human resistance against Skynet and its army of Terminators. But the future Connor was raised to believe in is altered in part by the appearance of Marcus Wright, a stranger whose last memory is of being on death row. Connor must decide whether Marcus has been sent from the future, or rescued from the past. As Skynet prepares its final onslaught, Connor and Marcus uncover the terrible secret behind the possible annihilation of mankind.

### 22:15 **Moon** (2009)

Rated R (97 min.) Director: Duncan Jones

With Sam Rockwell, Kevin Spacey, Dominique McElligott

With only three weeks left in his three year contract, Sam Bell is getting anxious to finally return to Earth. He is the only occupant of a Moon-based manufacturing facility along with his computer, GERTY. Direct communication with Earth is not possible due to a long-standing malfunction. When he has an accident, he awakens to find that he is not alone. He also comes to realize that his world is not what he thought it was.

## *Saturday, January 16*

### 00:00 **The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy** (2005)

Rated PG (109 min.) Director: Garth Jennings

With Mos Def, Alan Rickman, Stephen Fry

Everyman Arthur Dent is whisked off the Earth just seconds before it is demolished to make way for a hyperspace bypass. Sadly, his day has only just begun. Before it's over, he will have been blown up, attended a poetry reading, been thrown out of an airlock, reunited with the love of his life, had a fish stuck in his ear, insulted, sickened, deprived of tea, learned the answer to the ultimate question, and almost had his brain sawed out by mice.

### 02:00 **Surprise I**

### 03:30 **First Spaceship on Venus** (1962)

Rated NR (79 min.) Director: Kurt Maetzig

With Yoko Tani, Oldrich Lukes, Ignacy Machowski

A mysterious magnetic spool found during a construction project is discovered to have originated from Venus. A rocket expedition to Venus is launched to discover the origin of the spool and the race that created it. While the "Kosmokrator" is in flight, they learn that the Venusians planned to invade Earth in 1908.

### 05:15 **Independence Day** (1996)

Rated PG-13 (145 min.) Director: Roland Emmerich

With Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum

In the beginning of July, massive spaceships appear in Earth's skies. But wonder turns to terror as the ships blast destructive beams of fire down on cities all over the planet. Now the world's only hope lies with a determined band of survivors, and July 4th becomes the day humanity will fight for its freedom.

### 08:00 **Moonraker** (1979)

Rated PG (126 min.) Director: Lewis Gilbert

With Roger Moore, Lois Chiles, Richard Kiel

When a U.S. space shuttle is stolen in a midair hijacking, only Bond can find the evil genius responsible. The clues point to billionaire Hugo Drax, who has devised a scheme to destroy all human life on earth! As Bond races against time to stop Drax's evil plot, he joins forces with Dr. Holly Goodhead, a NASA scientist who is as beautiful as she is brilliant. And 007 needs all the help he can get, for Drax's henchman is none other than Bond's old nemesis Jaws, the indestructible steel-toothed giant.

### 10:15 **Close Encounters of the Third Kind** (1977)

Rated PG (135 min.) Director: Steven Spielberg

With Richard Dreyfuss, François Truffaut, Teri Garr

Roy Neary has a close encounter of the first kind, witnessing UFOs flying through the night sky. Meanwhile, government agents around the world have a close encounter of the second kind, discovering physical evidence of otherworldly visitors. Roy and the agents both follow the clues to reach a site where they will have a close encounter of the third kind: contact.

### 12:45 **The Adventures of Baron Munchausen** (1988)

Rated PG (126 min.) Director: Terry Gilliam

With John Neville, Eric Idle, Sarah Polley

The fantastic tale of a 17th century aristocrat, his talented henchmen and a little girl in their efforts to save a town from defeat by the Turks. Being swallowed by a giant sea-monster, a trip to the moon, a dance with Venus and an escape from the Grim Reaper are only some of the improbable adventures.

### 14:45 **Short Circuit** (1986)

Rated PG (98 min.) Director: John Badham

With Ally Sheedy, Steve Guttenberg, Fisher Stevens

Number 5 of a group of experimental military robots undergoes a sudden transformation after being struck by lightning. He develops self-awareness, consciousness, and a fear of the reprogramming that awaits him back at the factory. With the help of a young woman, Number 5 tries to evade capture and convince his creator that he has truly become alive.