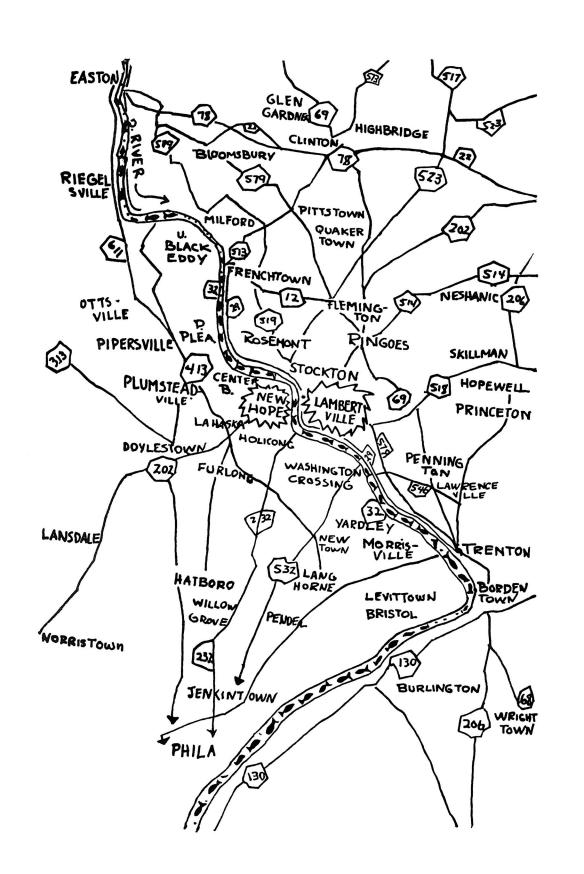


Program for May 1963



We have had a substantial number of complaints about the lack of clarity in our March-April program, all of them good-natured and many of them justified. We hope we have reformed them, not indifferently, but altogether. The current program is as free from error as possible for any human endeavor, as Ptolemy said as he put the finishing touches on his astronomy textbook.

We are also pleased to include, along with our own schedule, news of the McCarter Theater in Princeton, and the Bucks County Playhouse, the Bucks County Gazette and the Queen of Sheba shop, all of New Hope. All of these have something in common with the New Strand, we feel, in that they are all the product of personal individual endeavor and responsibility. The McCarter and the Bucks County Playhouse produce and stage their own shows, with the McCarter leaning heavily toward the classic repertory, and Mr Ellis at the Playhouse reaching out more and more for new plays, new writers and new ideas. At both of these theaters you can see some bad shows as well as some good ones, but at neither will you find anything pre-cut, pre-dried and pre-packaged. The same is true of the Bucks County Gazette, a small town newspaper without syndicated editorials, wire-service news, and boiler-plate fillers. At the Queen of Sheba shop. Gloria Hammond (who did the art work for this bulletin) creates and fabricates most of her own merchandise. At the New Strand, we do our own programming, booking, advertising and publicity. All of us have made errors in taste and judgment, but they are human errors based on our own individual thought and experience.

For May, the New Strand returns to a seven nights a week schedule and will continue that way come hell or high weather. The Sunday Night Great Films Series is being switched to Wednesday night, and henceforth will be known as the Wednesday Night Great Films Series. The five films in this series this month where chosen as a kind of "director's showcase". Widely disparate in technique and content, each of them is a film in which the director has expressed his own philosophy and personality through absolute control over his medium.

Luis Bunuel's VIRIDIANA (May 1) has an interesting history. Bunuel was in voluntary exile from Spain for 25 years. For some reason, it suddenly occured to Franco that one of the great directors of modern times was Spanish and might reflect some glory on his tarnished nation. He invited Bunuel home, put money and facilities at his service, told him to make a film, and forgot about him. When VIRIDIANA won first prize at the Cannes Film Festival the Spanish authorities were horrified and Bunuel went back into exile, this time not quite so voluntary.

This is not a pleasant film, nor an easy one to understand. Superficially, the story is that of a devoted religous woman who, on the point of taking holy orders, is called back into the world of reality through a misfortune which she involuntarily caused. But finding the real meaning of the film is like finding the real meaning of Finnegan's Wake; it is obscured, layer upon layer, under the most intricate system of symbols ever attempted in a film. Viridiana seems beautiful and pure; she represents Spain (?), she represents Europe, she represents idealism, she represents repression, sexual, political and clerical, she represents humanity. You take it from there.

Among the regularly scheduled films this month, the general theme seems to be anti-establishmentarianism. LUCKY JIM (Apr 28-30) is an Angry Young Man with a sense of humor; his cynicism is directed toward what is called in England "The Red Brick University". BLUE MURDER AT ST TRINIAN'S (May 5 - 7) chrchicles some activities at a toney girls' school which most likely were omitted from the prospectus sent to anxious parents. John Osborne, the angriest of the Angry Young Men, is represented by two films, THE ENTERTAINER and LOOK BACK IN ANGER (May 19-21) in what might be called a John Osborne festival. Both of these were successful as plays and as films, and Mr Osborne is presumably a little less angry. LOWELINESS OF THE LONG DISTANCE RONNER (May 9 - 11) is still another instance of disenchantment with authority and tradition, and makes you wonder what Queen Victoria would have said to all this.

Impotence is the theme of the program for May 26-28, marital in the case of HELL'ANTONIO and familial in the case of Barry Fitzgerald, who, in BROTH OF A BOY, is an octogenarian bullied by his father.

THE SNOW WAS BLACK (May 5 - 7) is a grim, powerful story by Georges Simenon, definitely not for children. DEADLIER THAN THE MALE (May 12 - 14) is a suspense thriller in the tradition of Diabolique. On the same bill, Jacques Tati is back in a revised version of one of his earlier successful comedies.

All films shown at the New Strand are in their original language, with English sub-titles where necessary. We hope all of you will find all of them amusing, enriching and thought-provoking. Your suggestions and criticisms are sincerely welcome. If we find them reasonable we will try to effectuate them; if we find them unreasonable we will tell you why. If you are not already on our mailing list, please write to The New Strand, Box 91, Lambertville and you will receive our programs as they are issued. If you move, please tell us your new address as soon as possible.







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SUNDAY - LUCKY JIM at 7 and 10:15. SKY ABOVE at 8:40 ONLY. MON & TUES 8:30 SKY ABOVE FIRST

from the prize novel by Kingsley Amis.

VEDNESDAY Luis Bunuel's 7 and 8:45 PM VITIDIANA T and 8:45 PM

THE NEW YORKER

"Viridiana" was written and directed by Luig Banuel, who returned to Spain for the first time since 1938 to make it.

The story he tells is simple and terrible. It concerns a novice in a convent who, on being ordered, much against her will, to return to the world for the last time and bid it an affectionate farewell, succeeds in injuring everyone with whom she comes in contact. Viridiana is a beautiful, untouched, and devout girl, and, in the extremity of her love for God, as dangerous as a tiger.

The setting of the picture is a vast country house filled with rich, rather absurd turn-of-the-century furnishings, and when a dozen or so corrupt and repellent beggars who have been befriended by Viridiana invade the house in her absence and treat themselves to a party.

Silvia Pinal, as Viridiana, and Fernando Rey, as the rich man, play their parts effectively but at something of a distance from us, for the picture is entirely Buñuel's; every square inch of every image, every moment of its ninety minutes, bears the stamp of his strong personality.



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'THE SNOW WAS BLACK" THE CAST



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"THE LONELINESS OF THE LONG DISTANCE RUNNER"

Produced and Directed by TONY RICHARDSON
A Bryanston-Seven Arts Production

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THURS-FRI at 8:30 SATURDAY at 7 and 9

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Colin SmithTOM COURTENAY
Mrs. SmithAVIS BUNNAGE
Mr. Smith PETER MADDEN
MikeJAMES BOLAM
GladysJULIA FOSTER
AudreyTOPSY JANE
DetectiveDERVIS WARD
Gordon RAYMOND DYER
Brown (The Psychiatrist)ALEX McCOWAN
Roach (P.T. Instructor)JOE ROBINSON
StaceyPHILIP MARTEN
Craig, Prison OfficerRAY AUSTEN
The Chief Officer ARTHUR MULLARD
Fenton (Borstal Inmate)ANTHONY SAYGER
Bosworth (Borstal Inmate)JOHN THAW
Scott (Borstal Inmate)PETER KRESC
GunthorpeWILLIAM ASH
Bill SmithCHRISTOPHER PARKER
Johnny SmithBRIAN HAMMOND
Alice SmithANITA OLIVER
CREDITS
Producer & DirectorTONY RICHARDSON
rouncer & Director

His Short StoryALAN SILLITOE

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-- NEW YORKER Magazine

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Directed by TONY RICHARDSON Screenplay by JOHN OSBORNE

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AND

the story of today's angry young generation!

is the actress without a home

BY JOHN OSBORNE

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WEDNESDAY

MAY 22

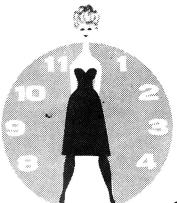
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LA DOLCE VITA

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