

PURCHASING MOVIE RIGHTS

When showing a movie on campus (any showing that is NOT in your home/room) you must purchase the 'screening rights' for the film from the distributing company.

- ***Legally you and your organization are required to secure the proper rights whether or not you charge an admission to the movie***
- ***Rates for the rights usually range from \$250-\$1000 depending on the film & format***

For these reasons, we recommend that you make arrangements early and solicit funding from PB, COSO, or other co-sponsorship organizations.

The information below should help you in planning your campus movie event:

STEP 1: Reserve an appropriate venue for the event (you will need a screen, projection system, & DVD player). Some rooms come equipped with the necessary equipment to show a movie, others do not. Speak with the building scheduler about the venue options or contact Classroom Technology Services to make arrangements for rental equipment.

**Alert the scheduler when you have finalized arrangements for film screening rights.

STEP 2: Make arrangements for the film rights. See contacts below for companies that distribute films for non-theatrical viewing (anything outside a movie theater). Each distributor represents a different set of film companies. You need to find the one that offers the rights to your selected movie. Most sites below have a website with a search function for film titles.

STEP 3: Make payment arrangements. Set up a club/organization account with the distributor. They will send the bill for the film to you and you can process payment through your club account. **NOTE: both COSO and PB will assist with co-sponsorship for most film screenings. If the screening will be held in the Collis Center, the Collis Governing Board can also provide co-sponsorship.

Funding request forms all of these organizations are available in Collis 303.

PRIMARY DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES (major studio and some indie film releases):

Swank Motion Pictures

Dartmouth Contact: Angie
1-800-876-3344

www.swank.com/college/main.html

Criterion Pictures

Dartmouth Contract: Kelly
1-800-890-9494

www.criterionpicusa.com

SECONDARY DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES (foreign or specialty films):

Kino

1-800-562-3330

www.kino.com/

Wellspring

212-686-6777, x161

www.wellspring.com/movies/

New Yorker Films

212-645-4600

www.newyorkerfilms.com/nyf/non-theatrical/nr_n.htm

If none of the companies above have the title you are looking for contact the Collis Center for Student Involvement Office (646-3399) for further assistance.