One Eye Laughing, One Eye Crying: The Pacific Northwest's First Romanian Film Festival

Friday, November 7, 2014 - 6:00pm to Sunday, November 9, 2014 - 6:00pm

SIFF Film Center

305 Harrison Street, Seattle, WA 98109 - Google Map

DAY ONE

Friday, November 7, 6:00 p.m.  *I'm an Old Communist Hag* (2013, 98 min.) dir. Stere Gulea

25 years after the fall of Ceausescu's communist regime, this comedy dares to look at those times with something resembling acceptance and nostalgia. It will screen in Ottawa and Vancouver at the European Union Film Festival this Winter.

Q&A session with Monica Filimon, Kingsborough Community College, New York.

Opening night gala with Romanian traditional food and drinks - 8:30 p.m.

DAY TWO


Q&A session with director Ioana Uricaru
**Saturday, November 8, 6:30 p.m.  **Anatomy of a Departure  *(2012, 75 min.) dir. Oliver Tătaru*

Director Oliver Tătaru's autobiographical documentary will resonate with everyone whose family dynamics have been affected by loss and major change.

Q&A session with director Oliver Tătaru

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**DAY THREE**

**Sunday, November 9, 3:45 p.m.  **Sundays on Leave  *(1994, 104 min.) dir. Nae Caranfil*

Shot right after the fall of communism in Romania, director Nae Caranfil's comedy drama - a Romanian-French co-production - depicts like no other film the specific Romanian ability to use humor as a refuge in the face of history.

Q&A session with Monica Filimon.

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**Sunday, November 9, Of Snails and Men - 6:00 p.m.  **(2014, 93 min.) dir. Tudor Giurgiu

Set at the beginning of the 1990's, when, after witnessing the fall of Ceausescu's regime, Romanians thought that everything was possible, Tudor Giurgiu's bittersweet comedy hilariously depicts the difficulty of transplanting the American/capitalist dream into the chaotic Romanian society.

Q&A session with José Alaniz, University of Washington, Seattle.

**Closing gala with Romanian traditional food and drinks - 7:45 p.m.**

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