

## CINEMA WITH PASSION



Fridays at midnight, Saturdays at 11 a.m. & midnight

at the Riverview Theatre,

3800 - 42nd Ave., S., Mpls.

### MOVIE MASTER TSUI HARK

April 5 (midnight), April 6 (11 am), April 13 (midnight)

#### ZU: WARRIORS FROM MAGIC MOUNTAIN

This spectacular film is a social/political commentary disguised as an extraordinarily entertaining martial-arts fantasy. Set in mythical times with China engaged in civil war, an earnest soldier and a group of curious characters set off on a quest to save the world from evil. Director Tsui Hark's humor and originality turns this simple tale of good versus evil into a special-effects extravaganza.

*Starring: Yuen Biao, Sammo Hung, Adam Cheng, Brigitte Lin*

*Directed: Tsui Hark, 1983, 97 minutes*

April 12 (midnight), April 13 (11 am), April 20 (midnight)

#### PEKING OPERA BLUES

Set against the backdrop of the Chinese Revolution and the Peking Opera tradition, this dazzling film concerns three women's attempt to help revolutionary rebels overthrow the government. The beautiful heroines, an androgynous general's daughter, a petty thief, and an aspiring actress find themselves caught up in a rollicking rollercoaster ride of intrigue and espionage. Filmed at breakneck speed with rapid fire action sequences, this instant classic has an all-star cast and production team.

*Starring: Brigitte Lin, Sally Yeh, Cherie Chang*

*Directed: Tsui Hark, 1986, 104 minutes*

April 19 (midnight), April 20 (11 am), April 27 (midnight)

#### SWORDSMAN I

A Sacred Scroll of martial arts has been stolen and it sets off a frantic race. The dying thief tells a free-spirited swordsman the location of the Scroll, and soon the swordsman and his pals are caught in the web of lies and deceit spun by those who want the Scroll. Described by a critic as a "rollercoaster ride through memories of the great Chinese swordplay movies of the '60s," this thrilling exploration into the darker side of human nature is an irresistible, gravity-defying swordplay fantasy.

*Starring: Sam Hui, Cecila Yip, Jacky Cheung, Chang Mui, Fanny Yuen*

*Directed: King Hui, Tsui Hark, Ching Siu Tung, Raymond Lee, 1990, 120 min*

*Produced: Tsui Hark*

### BIG BROTHER & LITTLE BROTHER: SAMO HUNG & YUEN BIAO

April 26 (midnight), April 27 (11 am), May 4 (midnight)

#### ICEMAN COMETH

This time-traveling, non-stop action adventure stars Yuen Biao as Ching, a royal guard during the Ming Dynasty sent by the Emperor to capture a criminal named Fung. Ching discovers that Fung possesses a wheel which travels through time. During a battle the two are transported 300 years into the future. Both end up in Hong Kong where Ching is a servant for a street-wise prostitute and Fung is still a criminal with evil plans. Determined to fulfill his royal duty, Ching vows to bring Fung back dead or alive.

*Starring: Yuen Biao, Maggie Cheung, Yuen Wah*

*Directed: Clarence Fok, 1989, 115 minutes*

May 3 (midnight), May 4 (11 am), May 11 (midnight)

#### EASTERN CONDORS

After the Viet Nam war ended, American forces pulled out of South Viet Nam but left behind secret stockpiles of weapons. A task force of condemned Asian-American prisoners are assembled and given the dangerous mission of preventing the weapons from falling into Communist hands. With the false promise of freedom if they succeed and the surety of death if they fail, this gripping movie showcases brutal action and amazing acrobatic skills.

*Starring: Yuen Biao, Samo Hung, Yuen Wah, Tanya Goddard, Corey Yuen*

*Directed: Samo Hung, 1987*

### SPY GAMES

May 10 (midnight), May 11 (11 am), May 18 (midnight)

#### FROM BEIJING WITH LOVE

Hong Kong comic sensation, Stephen Chiu, has another big hit in this hilarious James Bond parody. The amusing Chiu is Chinese Secret Agent "Underdog," sent by the mainland on a mission to reclaim stolen dinosaur bones because he is dispensable enough to be sacrificed. Lamooning everything from 007 to *Jurassic Park*, the flippant Chiu is up to his usual funny tricks in this entertaining comedy that has plenty of action scenes.

*Starring: Stephen Chiu, Anita Yuen, Pauline Chan*

*Directed: Lee Lik Tee, 1994, 82 minutes*