

Two Gripping Dramas

Scheduled For January

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Featured at ACC on January 9th will be the movie "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore." Martin Scorsese's wry comedy drama may well be the best and most poignant motion picture ever made about a woman. With compassion and disarming realism, it follows the difficult odyssey of Alice as she struggles to build a new life; widowed with a 12 year old son, no job and no money.

Ellen Burnstyn's Academy Award winning performance is remarkably moving and exhibits her tremendous capability as an actress. Kris Kristofferson, as comfortable as warm earth, plays the first decent man in here life. The rest of the cast could not be better. Diane Ladd as a brassy hash-house waitress with a heart of gold. Alfred Lutter as Alice's son, cynically wise beyond his years. And Harvey Keitel as the lover whose boyish charms turns to sadism.

On January 31, the first film in The New Cultural Film Series, "The Passenger," will be presented at ACC. Antonioni's suspenseful and haunting adventure is the portrait of a drained journalist whose deliverance is an identity exchange with a dead man. Accompanied by an equally alienated girl, he passively embarks on a treacherous journey through Africa, Germany, England and Spain.

Jack Nicholson's performance is so gripping that his vibrant presence is felt even during his virtual absence in the spectacular concluding moments of the film.



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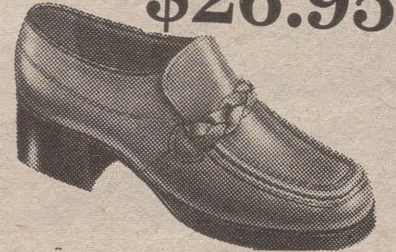


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