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On Oct. 2 at 7 p.m. at Nineteen on the Park, Starlight Cinema presents *The Congress*.

More than two decades after catapulting to stardom with *The Princess Bride*, an aging actress (Robin Wright) decides to take her final job: preserving her digital likeness for a future Hollywood. Through a deal brokered by her agent (Harvey Keitel) and the head of Miramax Studios (Danny Huston), her alias will be controlled by the studio, and will star in any film they choose, with no restrictions. In return, she receives compensation to care for her ailing son, and her digitized character will stay forever young.

Twenty years later, under the creative vision of the studio's head animator (Jon Hamm), Wright's digital double rises to immortal stardom. With her contract expiring, she is invited to take part in "The Congress" convention as she makes her comeback straight into the world of future fantasy cinema.

"There's something to be said for a movie that manages to baffle and dazzle in equal measure," wrote Globe and Mail critic Geoff Pevere. "If Daffy Duck had taken up political and media theory, his brain might look like this."

Life Itself, which will be screened Oct. 8 at 7 p.m., is a documentary account of the life of beloved film critic and social commentator Roger Ebert. The film, which is based on Ebert's book of the same name, is personal, funny, painful and transcendent, and explores the late critic's incredible legacy.

"There will never be another Roger Ebert," wrote Chris Sawin of Examiner.com. "The

man's voice will be heard for generations to come and *Life Itself* brings that concept to life as it shows just how influential Ebert has been to the world of cinema."

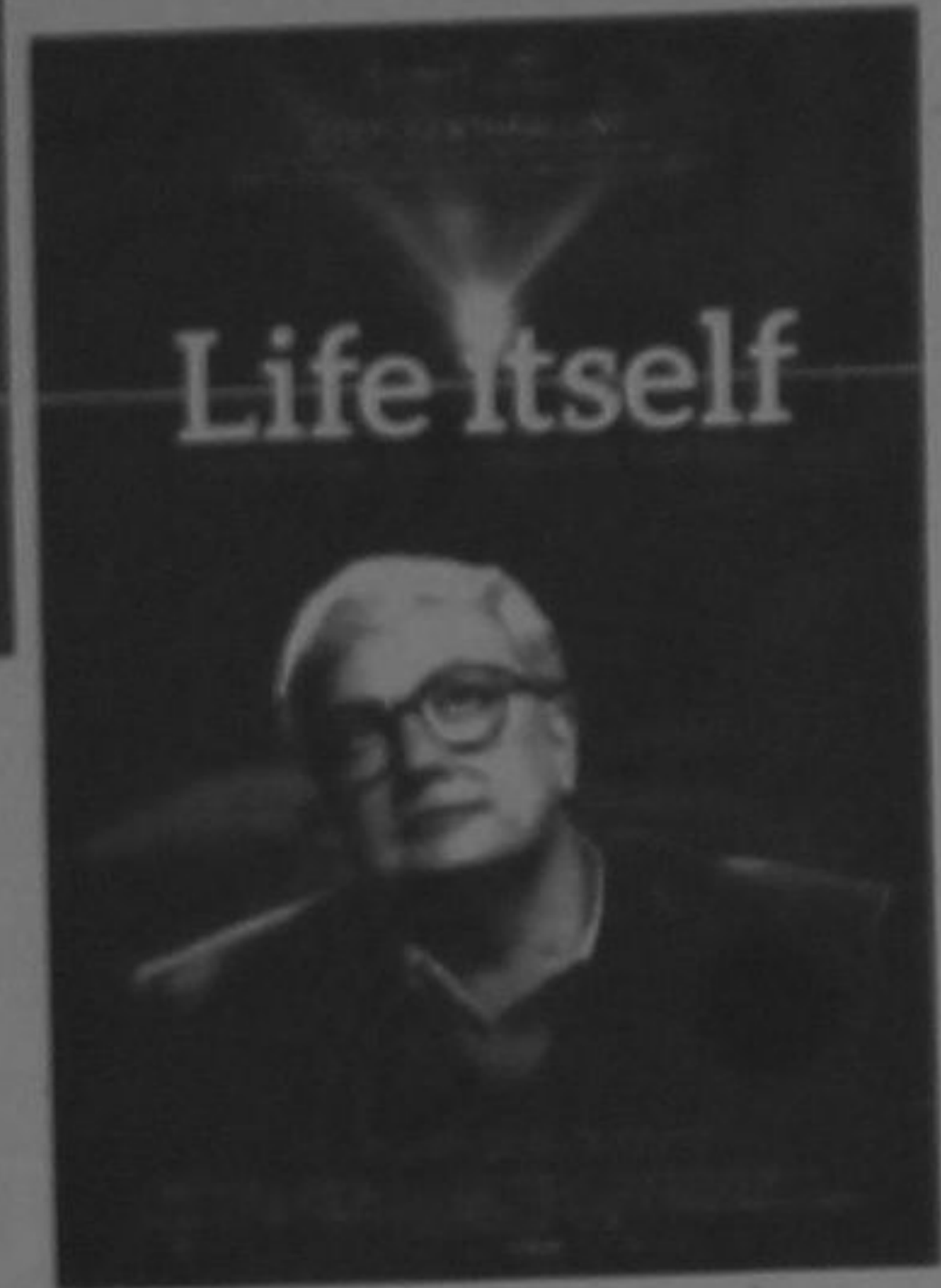
Ida (subtitled) which will be screened Oct. 22 at 7 p.m., is set in 1960s Poland, and is the story of an orphaned teenager who is planning to become a nun. Before she takes her vows, the Mother Superior of the convent insists she visit her only living relative, a worldly and cynical aunt, to discover her roots.

She is shocked to discover that her real name is Ida and that her parents were murdered during the Nazi occupation of Poland. She undertakes a journey to her family's old home in the country in an attempt to uncover the secrets of a tragic past. Directed by Pawel Pawlikowski (*Last Resort, My Summer of Love*) *Ida* evokes both the personal and the historical, and the starkness of its message is reflected in the skilful use of black and white film.

"Spare, haunting and in its own way beautiful, *Ida* is an absorbing film about discovering the truth, and the attendant price we pay to learn it," wrote Bill Goodykoontz in the Arizona Republic.

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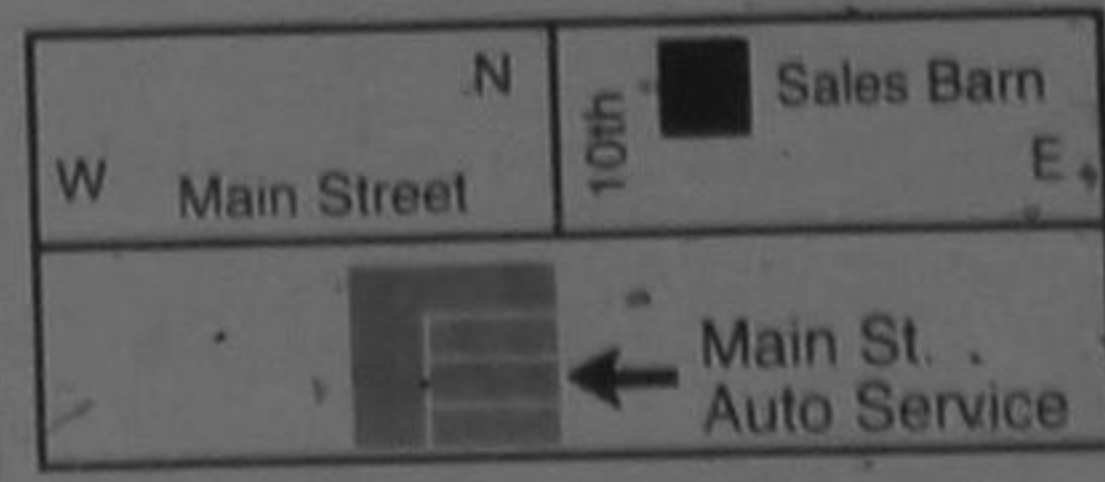
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