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Friday, Oct. 27: "Rosemary's Baby" 7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 28: "White Christmas" 2 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 28: "Hud" 7 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 29: "To Catch a Thief" 7 p.m.

The Classic Film Festival, which has become a classic event as well, began in 1998. The Festival’s founder, Bronwyn Gamble ’01, then a UMM student and classic film lover, noticed that the films being shown on campus excluded the classics. Out of her love for these movies and her dedication to bringing the UMM campus and Morris community together, the Classic Films Festival was born.

"It was great to find a campus event in which we could partner with the community," explained Gamble.

The venue for the Festival has always been the Morris Theatre. The theater was opened in 1940 at the height of the motion picture industry when theaters were showing more than just movie reels. Theatergoers were seeing newsreels on World War II as well, making a trip to the theater an important experience. Theaters became a significant part of social life not only in Morris, but also all around the world.

The public is encouraged to attend. Tickets are $4 for general admission and $2 for students. A weekend pass is also available $5 for students and $10 for general admission. Tickets can be purchased at the door. An added attraction this year will be a film discussion at Bello Cucina restaurant following the Friday and Saturday night films. Those who attend the discussion and bring their theater ticket will be eligible for an in-house special discount.

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