



## Alliance Française French Film Festival 2007 School Screenings

### INFORMATION LETTER

21 February 2007

Dear French Teachers,

The **Alliance Française de Melbourne** and **Palace Cinemas** are pleased to announce four special school screenings of the animation **KIRIKOU AND THE WILD BEASTS** (*Kirikou et les bêtes sauvages*) (G) directed by Michel Ocelot (see attached synopsis - a teaching kit will also be available soon from our website at: [www.afmelbourne.asn.au](http://www.afmelbourne.asn.au)) and one screening of **THOSE HAPPY DAYS** (*Nos jours heureux*) (MA15+) a comedy directed by Eric Toledano, Olivier Nakache (see attached synopsis) as part of the **Alliance Française French Film Festival 2007** to be held in Melbourne from **20 March to 03 April 2007** as follows:

Special screenings will be held as follows:

At **PALACE CINEMA COMO**, Como Centre, cnr Chapel St & Toorak Rd, SOUTH YARRA on:

- Thursday 22 March @ 10.00am at Cinema Como (Those Happy Days)
- Friday 23 March at **11.00 am** (Kirikou & the Wild Beasts)
- Wednesday 28 March at **11.00am** (Kirikou & the Wild Beasts)

At **PALACE BALWYN CINEMA**, 231 Whitehorse Rd, BALWYN on:

- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March at **11.00am** (Kirikou & the Wild Beasts)
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at **11.00am** (Kirikou & the Wild Beasts)

The cost is **\$10.00** per student or teacher, with **1 teacher free** for each group of **20 students**.



**NEW!!** If **one** of your teachers at the school is a **member of AFTV**, the school will receive a **refund** from AFTV of **\$5.00** per paid tickets once the payment has been made to the cinema by the school.

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL:** Please complete the attached Tax Invoice and return either by:

**E-mail to:** [info@afmelbourne.asn.au](mailto:info@afmelbourne.asn.au) or **fax to:** 9525 5064 by **Friday 16 March, 5pm** latest.

Please note that bookings will not be taken by telephone.

The Alliance Française de Melbourne will send a confirmation of your booking within a few days of receipt.

**PAYMENTS:** Payment must be made either by cash at the cinema's box office or by cheque made out to "Palace Balwyn Cinema" or "Palace Cinema Como" accordingly (please see attached Tax Invoice for your school use). Total amount of original booking is to be paid in full; there will be no discount for absent students on the day, or any refund.

For any queries regarding the school screenings, please contact Françoise Libotte at the Alliance Française de Melbourne by e-mail at: [info@afmelbourne.asn.au](mailto:info@afmelbourne.asn.au).

Tickets are selling fast for the three venues of the festival (Palace Como, Balwyn & Westgarth cinemas), please check the enclosed program with full film synopsis and schedule of screenings. Don't wait and be disappointed buy your tickets now!

VIVE LE CINEMA!

[www.frenchfilmfestival.org](http://www.frenchfilmfestival.org)



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### ABOUT THE FILM

#### **THOSE HAPPY DAYS (*Nos jours heureux*) (MA15+)**

*France 2005 - Comedy (103 mins)*

*Directors: Eric Toledano, Olivier Nakache*

*Script: Eric Toledano, Olivier Nakache*

*Cast: Jean-Paul Rouve, Marilou Berry, Omar Sy, Julie Fournier,*

*Jean Benuigui, Joséphine de Meaux, Lannick Guatry, Guillaume Cyr, Jacques Boudet, Catherine Hosmalin, Jean-Michel Lahmi*

The breezy, crowd-pleasing comedy **THOSE HAPPY DAYS** is a funny, poignant and entertaining romp through a French summer camp.

It's 1992, and Vincent Rousseau (the versatile Jean-Paul Rouve) is about to oversee his first camp. On the Paris platform where parents are anxiously handing over their precious darlings, ages 7 to 13, Vincent also meets the group of twenty-somethings who will serve as camp leaders. So begins a summer like many others, with both age-groups doing a little growing up: the first crushes, the first smokes, the first parties, merciless visits to museums, nights spent under the starred sky and the obligatory sports contests. Just as competitive - though not part of the official program - is the pursuit of possible bed partners. These three weeks will prove far livelier than expected...

Writer-directors Eric Toledano and Olivier Nakache (*Just Friends*) deliver a sharply written and surprisingly evocative ode to the joys and perils of summer fun. Anybody who's thinking of having children, or sending the ones they have to camps, may like to reconsider! The ensemble cast of rising stars, including *Look At Me's* Marilou Berry, is terrific and audiences are guaranteed to exit the cinema with a smile.





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### ABOUT THE FILM

#### **KIRIKOU AND THE WILD BEASTS (*Kirikou et les bêtes sauvages*) (G)**

*France 2005 - Animation (95 mins)*

*In French with English Subtitles*

*Director: Michel Ocelot*

*Script: Michel Ocelot, Philippe Andrieu,*

*Benedicte Galup, Marine Locatelli*

*Voices: Pierre-Ndoffe Sarr, Awa Sene Sarr, Robert Liensol*

Seven years ago, an intrepid little African called Kirikou wowed audiences all over the world and revealed a French animated filmmaker of rare subtlety - Michel Ocelot. Now, the young hero of the marvelous Kirikou and the Sorceress is back, pitting his life-saving wits against supernatural and environmental foes, with just enough scares to keep small eyes glued to the screen. From the depths of his cave, a wise old man announces to the audience that the story of Kirikou and the Sorceress didn't do the hero justice. For Kirikou, the clever little boy who was born already able to speak, and who runs as fast as the Road Runner, has accomplished many other vital things for his village. We discover how he learnt to become a gardener, a detective, a maker of pottery, a merchant, a traveller and a doctor... whilst remaining as ever the smallest and bravest of heroes. This multi-million dollar production, produced by Didier Brunier (The Triplets of Belleville) is strikingly realised and is delightful, inventive and captivating entertainment for viewers of all ages.



<b>TAX INVOICE</b>
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**PALACE CINEMAS**

ABN 21 065 352 221

<b>SCHOOL NAME:</b>		
<b>STREET ADDRESS:</b>		
<b>SUBURB:</b>	<b>POSTCODE:</b>	
<b>TEACHER'S NAME:</b>		
<b>TEL:</b>	<b>FAX:</b>	<b>E-MAIL:</b>

<b>Invoice n°: AF FFF2007</b>	<b>Y/Ref:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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**For school screening at the Alliance Française French Film Festival 2007**

Teachers, please fill in according to your booking:

<b>CINEMA:</b> .....	<b>FILM:</b> .....
<b>DATE:</b> .....	<b>TIME:</b> .....

<b>QUANTITY</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
.....	students at \$10.00 ( <i>GST included</i> )	\$ .....
.....	teachers at \$10.00 ( <i>GST included</i> )	\$ .....
.....	teachers at \$0.00 (ie: 1 teacher free per 20 students)	\$.....0.00
.....	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT DUE (<i>GST included</i>)</b>	<b>\$.....</b>

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