

Film News: New Chicago Film Critics Association Series 'Film with a View' Presents 'Almost Famous' on Oct. 3, 2012

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CHICAGO – The Chicago Film Critics Association (CFCA) will begin their new series, "Film with a View," on this coming Wednesday, October 3rd, at the Studio Movie Grill in Wheaton, Illinois, starting at 7:30pm. Admission is only one dollar. The first feature will be "Almost Famous" (2000), the rock movie directed by Cameron Crowe. CFCA member Erik Childress of eFilmCritic.com will introduce the film and lead a discussion afterward.

"Film with a View" is a great opportunity for Chicagoland film buffs to get together each first Wednesday of the month, for only a buck, at the Studio Movie Grill in Wheaton. This series will feature a big screen presentation of significant and notable films, plus interaction and discussion with the members of the Chicago Film Critics Association. Upcoming appearances will include Patrick McDonald of HollywoodChicago.com, introducing "The Best Man" (1964) in November, and Locke Peterseim of Hammer & Thump (OpenLettersMonthly.com) in December.



The Chicago Film Critics Association Presents "Almost Famous" at the Studio Movie Grill, Wheaton
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"Almost Famous" is a fictional film memoir from writer and director Cameron Crowe. Drawing on his experiences as a 15-year-old writer for Rolling Stone Magazine, Crowe creates a representative character named William (Patrick Fugit), who is assigned by the magazine to interview the members of the band Stillwater, led by wild man Russell Hammond (Billy Crudup). Along the way he gets some life lessons, some of which are courtesy of band groupie Penny Lane (Kate Hudson). "Almost Famous" won the Oscar for Best Original Screenplay and garnered nominations for Hudson and Frances McDormand.

"Film with a View," a new series sponsored by the Chicago Film Critics Association, premieres with "Almost Famous" on Wednesday, October 3rd, 2012 at 7:30pm, at the Studio Movie Grill, 310 Rice Lake Square, Wheaton, Ill. Introduction and discussion will be led by Erik Childress of eFilmCritic.com. For more information and tickets, [click here](#). [14]

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