

Serb National Federation, Center For Russian, East European, & Eurasian Studies,
Yugoslav Room Committee, and the Nationality Rooms
at the University of Pittsburgh present



SERBIAN MOVIE FESTIVAL



*Preserving Serbian Cultural Heritage, Enriching & Promoting
Greater Pittsburgh's Cultural Diversity*

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2019

University of Pittsburgh

Cathedral of Learning | Room 232
4200 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15260

1:00 p.m.

The Great War 1914 – 1918
Book Presented by: Bishop
IRINEJ and Krinka V. Petrov

2:30 p.m.

The Long Road to War
Directed by: Milos Skundric

4:45 p.m.

Twice Upon a Time
Author: Vojin Vasovic

6:00 p.m.

Tesla Nation
Directed by: Zeljko Mirkovic

FREE and OPEN to the Public | Pizza and light refreshments will be provided

Questions? Please contact the SNF at 412-458-5227 or snf@snflife.org

PROGRAM

All movies will be shown with English subtitles.



1:00 p.m. - BOOK PRESENTATION: *The Great War 1914 – 1918: The Kingdom of Serbia, the United States of America and the Serbian American Diaspora*

Presented By: His Grace Bishop IRINEJ Dobrijević and Dr. Krinka Vidaković Petrov, Scholar and Editor

The book is dedicated to the Great War, an event that shook the world one hundred years ago. Within this vast historical frame-work, this book focuses on the relationship between two Allies—the Kingdom of Serbia and the United States of America, including the role of the Serbian American Diaspora. The chapters in this book deal with general issues regarding Serbia's role in the Great War, beginning with the event that would trigger the war and put the small town of Sarajevo on the world map. This book offers a wealth of information as well as a fascinating narrative of the human urge to resist, survive, and be free to live and love.



2:30 p.m. - THE LONG ROAD TO WAR

Release Year: 2018 | Runtime: 117 minutes | Directed by: Milos Skundric

What was a real cause and trigger of World War I? World War I began a month after the Sarajevo assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand, the heir to the Austro-Hungarian throne, in 1914. But this stake had been prepared decades before. *The Long Road to War* is a feature-length cinema documentary about the origins of WWI. Leading European intellectuals from Oxford, Cambridge, Sorbonne, and other universities present their views about the causes and trigger of World War I. The movie leads the public through the political games behind the scenes and presents details when the decision was made about the future of Europe. The documentary utilizes film and photographs from some fifteen archival houses around the world, so it is "more action – less talking heads on screen." Milos Skundric, Director, says that he was shocked to learn how little he and his generation knew about the reason behind this "seminal catastrophe of the 20th century."



4:45 p.m. - TWICE UPON A TIME

Release Year: 2017 | Runtime: 14 minutes | Author: Vojin Vasovic

All children for the cartoon will receive a gift from the SNF.

This is an amusing and educational cartoon for children and adults. Once upon a time, in some distant world lived two kings: King of Warrior and King of Poet. In fact, it is about the dual nature and split personality of one king. One half of his personality represents a Nordic barbaric king from the early Middle Ages, a crude but fearless warrior. The other half is from late Baroque, a man of graceful poise and manners. They share their conscience, but have opposing wishes and desperately want to get rid of each other. This story brings us a noble message which can enrich our lives. The cartoon was screened at 60 international movie festivals and won more than 20 international awards.

5:30 p.m. - ST. NICHOLAS SERBIAN TAMBURITZANS

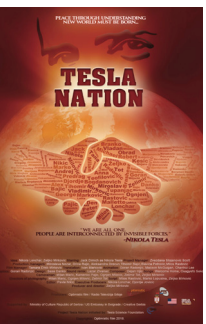
The Tamburitzens of the St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church from Monroeville, PA will play and sing.



6:00 p.m. - TESLA NATION | *North American Premiere*

Release Year: 2018 | Runtime: 75 minutes | Directed by: Zeljko Mirkovic

Zeljko Mirkovic, Movie Director and Producer, will be present at the Premiere to greet the audience and answer questions. Award Ceremony will follow the Premiere.



This marvelous documentary leads us through the Serbian-American history which spans more than 200 years. Serbian-American history began in a symbolic way with Djordje Sagic aka George Fisher who arrived through the port of Philadelphia at the beginning of the ninetieth century. After him, Serbian immigrants came in several waves and helped shape American history. The movie describes Serbian-American contributions in building the United States and the world and the importance of preserving the Serbian heritage. Zeljko Jack Dimich, the Serbian-American Actor from New York, plays Nikola Tesla, the Serbian-American Scientist and Inventor, and is the narrator of the movie. The movie was sponsored by the Serb National Federation among others, and produced by Optimistic Film and Radio Television of Serbia.