In 1983, graffiti artists Fab Five Freddy, Lady Pink, Tracy 168, and Lady Heart visited the Coolidge Corner Theatre for a week to promote *Wild Style*, the first ever hip hop film. While here, they created murals on the exterior brick walls of the theatre. However, shortly after the murals went up, the Town of Brookline called and told us to whitewash over it. When we refused, they threatened fines for defacing public property. Thus, the murals had a short existence, perhaps less than a week.

Hip hop turns 50 years old this year. In celebration of this groundbreaking cultural movement, the Coolidge is thrilled to present "Been Here for Years: Hip Hop at 50," a robust program of 20 films highlighting hip hop’s half-century of influence on cinema through documentaries, concert films, biopics, and dramas.

See the full lineup on p18.

Images by Justin Freed, photographer & former owner of the Coolidge Corner Theatre
**Terminator 2: Judgment Day**  
*Monday, July 3 at 7:00pm | 2h 17m | DCP*  
**Directed by:** James Cameron  
**Featuring:** Arnold Schwarzenegger, Linda Hamilton, Edward Furlong, Robert Patrick  
A decade after the original Terminator wreaked havoc on Sarah Connor, Arnold Schwarzenegger returns as another Model 101 cyborg. This time, however, he’s reprogrammed and teleported to the past to protect Sarah’s 10-year-old son, John (Edward Furlong), from a newer, more advanced, and more deadly Terminator: the T-1000, made entirely of shape-shifting liquid metal.

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**The Birdcage**  
*Monday, July 10 at 7:00pm | 1h 57m | DCP*  
**Directed by:** Mike Nichols  
**Featuring:** Robin Williams, Nathan Lane, Gene Hackman, Dianne Wiest  
The great improvisational comedy team of Mike Nichols and Elaine May reunited to direct and write this update of the French comedy *La Cage Aux Folles*. Armand and Albert are happy tending to their gay Miami nightclub, but their pastel tranquility is shaken when Armand’s son announces that he’s marrying the daughter of an ultra-conservative senator.

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**The Muppet Movie**  
*Thursday, July 13 at 7:00pm | 1h 35m | 35mm*  
**Directed by:** James Frawley  
**Featuring:** Jim Henson, Frank Oz  
They’re irreverent, irrepressible, and downright irresistible. They’re the Muppets, starring in their first full-length movie! After a fateful meeting with a big-time talent agent, Kermit the Frog heads for Hollywood dreaming of showbiz. Along the way, Fozzie Bear, the Great Gonzo, and the dazzling Miss Piggy join him in hopes of becoming film stars too.

*Intro seminar with Boston Globe film critic Odie Henderson at 6:15pm. See p13 for more.*
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Waiting for Guffman
Monday, July 31 at 7:00pm | 1h 24m | DCP
Directed by: Christopher Guest
Featuring: Christopher Guest, Catherine O’Hara, Eugene Levy, Fred Willard, Parker Posey
Blaine, Missouri, may be small, but Corky St. Clair always dreams big. Determined to get back to the lights of Broadway, he's created *Red, White and Blaine*, a musical celebration of the burg's 150th anniversary. *This Is Spinal Tap* and *Best in Show* co-creator Christopher Guest stars in this acclaimed comedy about stagestruck townfolk who pin their hopes of being discovered on a hilariously hapless theater production.

Ong-Bak: The Thai Warrior
Thursday, August 3 at 7:00pm | 1h 45m | DCP | In Thai with English subtitles
Directed by: Prachya Pinkaew
Featuring: Tony Jaa, Phetthai Vongkumlao, Pumwaree Yodkamol
When the head of his village's sacred Buddha statue is stolen, simple country boy Ting (Tony Jaa) is sent to Bangkok to retrieve it. Raised by a monk who has trained him in Muay Thai, Ting has vowed to never use his lethal martial arts skills...but once he arrives in the big city, Ting is forced to fight.

Heat
Monday, July 17 at 7:00pm | 2h 50m | 35mm
Directed by: Michael Mann
Featuring: Al Pacino, Robert De Niro, Val Kilmer
Writer/director Michael Mann’s cat and mouse game follows L.A. cop Vincent Hanna (Pacino) on the trail of master thief Neil McCauley (De Niro) in one of the greatest crime thrillers of all time. As McCauley sets plans in motion for one last heist before his retirement, Hanna dedicates himself to making McCauley’s arrest the pinnacle of his career.
Intro seminar with Emerson College Professor Andre Puca at 6:15pm. See p13 for more.
Cool Hand Luke

Monday, August 7 at 7:00pm | 2h 7m | 35mm
Directed by: Stuart Rosenberg
Featuring: Paul Newman, George Kennedy, Strother Martin

Paul Newman plays a man sentenced to serve hard time on a tough chain gang. Enduring sadistic wardens, egg-eating contests, and a definite “failure to communicate,” Luke earns the admiration of the other convicts, but the system proves equally determined to break him.

The Big Lebowski

Monday, August 14 at 7:00pm | 1h 57m | 35mm
Directed by: Joel & Ethan Coen
Featuring: Jeff Bridges, John Goodman, Steve Buscemi, Julianne Moore

Annual screening with pre-show festivities including a costume contest and bowling! This Coen Brothers classic is one of the best cult movies of our time, with bowling, confused identities, naked performance art, nihilistic ferret owners, and some guy called “The Dude.”

Law of Desire

Monday, August 21 at 7:00pm | 1h 42m | 35mm | In Spanish with English subtitles
Directed by: Pedro Almodóvar
Featuring: Eusebio Poncela, Carmen Maura, Antonio Banderas

Pedro Almodóvar’s groundbreaking melodrama that was his first film focusing on queer relationships. In it, a gay filmmaker takes up with a psychotic new lover while still pining for his ex-boyfriend.

Sunset Boulevard

Thursday, August 24 at 7:00pm | 1h 50m | 35mm
Directed by: Billy Wilder
Featuring: Gloria Swanson, William Holden, Erich von Stroheim

Gloria Swanson gives a career-defining performance as faded silent screen star Norma Desmond who enlists the help of a young screenwriter for her return to fame in director Billy Wilder’s dark and masterful film classic.
Bad Boys II
Thursday, July 20 at 7:00pm | 2h 27m | DCP
Directed by: Michael Bay
Featuring: Will Smith, Martin Lawrence, Gabrielle Union
Hang on for maximum mayhem, full-on fun, and the wildest chase scenes ever put on film! The action and comedy never stop when superstars Martin Lawrence and Will Smith reunite as out-of-control trash-talking buddy cops pursuing a whacked-out drug lord from the streets of Miami to the barrios of Cuba.

Part of “Been Here for Years: Hip Hop at 50” series. See p18 for more.

A Hard Day’s Night
Thursday, July 6 at 7:00pm | 1h 27m | DCP
Directed by: Richard Lester
Featuring: The Beatles
Meet the Beatles! Just one month after they exploded onto the U.S. scene with their Ed Sullivan Show appearance, John, Paul, George, and Ringo began working on a project that would bring their revolutionary talent to the big screen, in which they play slapstick versions of themselves.

Straight Outta Compton
Thursday, August 10 at 7:00pm | 2h 27m | DCP
Directed by: F. Gary Gray
The true story of how five young cultural rebels—armed only with their lyrics, swagger, bravado, and raw talent—stood up to the authorities that meant to keep them down and formed the world’s most dangerous group, N.W.A.

Part of “Been Here for Years: Hip Hop at 50” series. See p18 for more.

20 Days in Mariupol
Monday, July 17 at 7:30pm | 1h 35m | DCP
In Ukrainian and Russian with English subtitles
Directed by: Mstyslav Chernov
Featuring: Mstyslav Chernov
An AP team of Ukrainian journalists trapped in the besieged city of Mariupol struggle to continue their work documenting atrocities of the Russian invasion.

House Party (1990)
Thursday, August 17 at 7:00pm | 1h 40m | 35mm
Directed by: Reginald Hudlin
Featuring: Kid n’ Play, Martin Lawrence, Tisha Campbell, A.J. Johnson
When party time comes, it’s time to tear the house down! If they get caught, it’s all over. But if they don’t, it’s just the beginning. Kid n’ Play star in the uproarious comedy that launched the House Party craze.

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Fleabag
Tuesday, July 18 at 7:00pm | 1h 20m
Directed by: Vicky Jones
Featuring: Phoebe Waller-Bridge
“Witty, filthy and supreme.” – The Guardian
Written and performed by Phoebe Waller-Bridge, Fleabag is a rip-roaring look at some sort of woman living some sort of life. Following a box office record-breaking run in cinemas in 2019, the one-woman show returns to cinemas this summer.

Oklahoma!
Starring Hugh Jackman
Sunday, July 16 at 3:00pm & Wednesday, July 19 at 7:00pm | 3h 12m | DCP
Directed by: Trevor Nunn
Featuring: Hugh Jackman, Maureen Lipman, Josefin Gabrielle, Shuler Hensley
Starring then-newcomer Hugh Jackman as Curly, alongside Maureen Lipman, Josefin Gabrielle, and Shuler Hensley, this riveting stage production was filmed during its record-breaking 1998 run in London.

Seminar: The Muppet Movie
Thursday, July 13 at 6:15pm
Instructor: Odie Henderson
Before our screening of the Muppets’ first full-length movie, Boston Globe film critic Odie Henderson will give an overview of the career of visionary puppeteer Jim Henson, and trace Kermit and friends’ journey onto the big screen.

Seminar: Heat
Monday, July 17 at 6:15pm
Instructor: Andre Puca
Join Emerson College film studies professor Andre Puca for a deep dive into Michael Mann’s masterful crime thriller, starring Al Pacino and Robert De Niro.

DJ 7L, Akrobatik, and STL GLD
Friday, August 18 at 9:00pm | Doors open at 8:00pm | 2h
Featuring: DJ 7L, Akrobatik, STL GLD
As part of our month-long celebration of the 50th anniversary of hip hop, the Coolidge is proud to host this Boston Hip Hop showcase featuring three local legends!

About DJ 7L: 7L is a Boston-based DJ and producer, 1/2 7L & Esoteric, 1/3 Czarface. 7L is also the shop owner of Soundtracks in Beverly.

About Akrobatik: The Boston-based MC has been releasing music and touring since his first official single in 1998, “Ruff Enuff.” His first album, Balance, just hit the 20-year mark, and his work has appeared in TV, movies, video games, and advertisements throughout his career.

About STL GLD: Formed by Moe Pope and producer The Arcitype, STL GLD is one of the most exciting bands to come out of New England.
Coolidge at the Greenway

Free, outdoor, 35mm screenings on the Rose Kennedy Greenway as part of our Science on Screen series!

The Lost World: Jurassic Park
Wednesday, July 12 at sunset (Rain date: Thursday, July 13) | 2h 9m | 35mm
Directed by: Steven Spielberg
Featuring: Jeff Goldblum, Julianne Moore, Vince Vaughn

In Steven Spielberg’s follow-up to his 1993 smash-hit Jurassic Park, Dr. John Hammond reveals that while nearly everything at his Jurassic Park had been destroyed, his engineers created a second site where other dinosaurs were kept in hiding. Before the film, STEM educator and entrepreneur Barnas Monteith will talk about the surprising biochemistry behind the Jurassic Park films and his time with Jack Horner, the inspiration/advisor behind the book and films.

It Came from Outer Space
Wednesday, August 16 at sunset (Rain date: Thursday, August 17) | 1h 21m | 35mm
Directed by: Jack Arnold
Featuring: Richard Carlson, Barbara Rush, Charles Drake

This 1950s B-movie classic—co-written by Ray Bradbury—is a pulpy-but-effective psychological sci-fi picture with a provocative message about xenophobia. Before the film, science and technology writer Wade Roush (Extraterrestrials) will discuss one of the great unsolved mysteries in science: is there life, intelligent or otherwise, on other planets?
For the third summer in a row, celebrate the Coolidge’s history of programming Japanese films in the '70s and '80s with a month of classic samurai movies!

**Kagemusha**
Wednesday, 7/5 at 7:00pm
When a warlord dies, a peasant thief is called upon to impersonate him, and then finds himself haunted by the warlord’s spirit.

**Samurai Trilogy**
Sunday, 7/9 at 11:00am
Hiroshi Inagaki’s acclaimed trilogy following one swordsman’s path from unruly youth to enlightened warrior.

**Kwaidan**
Tuesday, 7/11 at 7:00pm
An anthology of four Japanese folk tales with supernatural themes.

**Kill!**
Wednesday, 7/12 at 7:00pm
A pair of down-on-their-luck swordsmen become involved in a local clan dispute.
In celebration of a groundbreaking cultural movement that has inspired generations, we are thrilled to present films that highlight hip hop’s influence on cinema.

**Wild Style**
Tuesday, 8/1 at 7:00pm

**Scratch**
Wednesday, 8/2 at 7:00pm

**Posse**
Friday, 8/4 at 11:59pm
Coolidge After Midnite screening

**Beat Street**
Saturday, 8/5 at 11:59pm
Coolidge After Midnite screening

**Get Rich or Die Tryin’**
Wednesday, 8/9 at 7:00pm

**Straight Outta Compton**
Thursday, 8/10 at 7:00pm
Cinema Jukebox screening

**Beat Street**
Saturday, 8/11 at 11:59pm
Coolidge After Midnite screening

**8 Mile**
Tuesday, 8/15 at 7:00pm

**Awesome, I ... Shot That**
Wednesday, 8/16 at 7:00pm

**House Party**
Thursday, 8/17 at 7:00pm
Rewind! screening

**Def By Temptation**
Friday, 8/18 at 11:59pm
Coolidge After Midnite screening

**Cool As Ice**
Saturday, 8/19 at 11:59pm
Coolidge After Midnite screening

**Clockers**
Tuesday, 8/22 at 7:00pm

**Belly**
Wednesday, 8/23 at 7:00pm

**Colors**
Friday, 8/25 at 11:59pm
Coolidge After Midnite screening

**New Jack City**
Saturday, 8/26 at 11:59pm
Coolidge After Midnite screening

**ATL**
Tuesday, 8/29 at 7:00pm

**The 40-Year-Old Version**
Wednesday, 8/30 at 7:00pm

*Presented in 35mm

Plus, enjoy a live Hip Hop Showcase, featuring DJ 7L, Akrobatik, and STL GLD!
Friday, August 18 at 9:00pm | See p13 for more
JULY
Saturday, 7/1: Yeah. A John Wick Marathon
Friday, 7/7: I Still Know What You Did Last Summer
Friday, 7/14: The Final Girls
Saturday, 7/15: The Hills Have Eyes (2006)
Friday, 7/21: Piranha (1978)
Saturday, 7/22: The Cabin in the Woods
Friday, 7/28: Stage Fright (2014)
Saturday, 7/29: Friday the 13th (2009)

AUGUST (All part of Hip Hop at 50 series)
Friday, 8/4: Posse
Saturday, 8/5: Beat Street
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Saturday, 8/12: CB4
Friday, 8/18: Def By Temptation
Saturday, 8/19: Cool As Ice
Friday, 8/25: Colors
Saturday, 8/26: New Jack City
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