



NEWS RELEASE

Thursday, Jan. 16, 2014
14-02

Countdown to the Oscars at the Williams Lake Branch

Williams Lake, BC - The Cariboo Regional District's Williams Lake Area Branch has announced three free film screenings of 2013 Oscar nominees and winners, in anticipation of the 2014 Oscar Awards Ceremony on March 2. All screenings take place in the Williams Lake Area Branch Programme Room.

The first film will be *Amour*, the 2013 winner for Best Foreign Language Film, directed by Michael Haneke, will be featured on Wednesday, Jan. 29 at 7 p.m. This unforgettable and tragic love story focuses on Georges and Anne, an octogenarian couple, who are cultivated, retired music teachers. Their daughter, also a musician, lives in Britain with her family. One day, Anne has a stroke, and the couple's bond of love is severely tested.

On Wednesday, Feb. 5, 7 p.m., David O. Russell's *Silver Linings Playbook* will be screened. For her performance in this film, Jennifer Lawrence won the 2013 Oscar for Best Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role. The film centres on former teacher Pat Solitano, who moves back in with his parents and tries to reconcile with his ex-wife after a stint in a mental institution. Whilst portraying the reality of living with mental illness, at its heart this film is a big, generous, happy-making ensemble comedy.

Best Picture of the Year nominee *Zero Dark Thirty* will be screened on Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. Directed by Kathryn Bigelow (*The Hurt Locker*), *Zero Dark Thirty* chronicles the decade-long hunt for al-Qaeda terrorist leader Osama bin Laden after the September 2001 attacks, and his death at the hands of the Navy S.E.A.L. Team 6 in May, 2011. Bigelow's directing is precise and definitive, and achieves a power that is both steady and relentless.

For further information about these or other events taking place at CRD Libraries, visit us online at cfn.bc.ca.

-30-

For further Information:
Shelly Burich
Manager of Communications
Cariboo Regional District
250-392-3351 or 1-800-665-1636
sburich@cariboord.bc.ca