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Special events scheduled this month at Lamorinda theatres

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The leaves are changing and winter is coming, so now is a great time to head to your local movie theatres to see the latest blockbusters and other events at the Rheem and Orinda theatres.

On Nov. 3 at 7:30 p.m. head to the Rheem Theatre for the finals of the Comedy Noir Competition. During the past four months, 32 comics from around the Bay Area have been battling it out to advance to the finals. Now the top nine comics have 10 minutes each to win over the judges and win your vote to be crowned the first annual Comedy Noir Champion. Don't miss this amazing lineup which includes first-round winners Krista Fatka (San Francisco) and Michael Brandon (Oakland), secondround winners Dan Linley (San Francisco) and Ira Summer (Oakland), third-round winners Clay Newman (San Francisco) and Chad Optiz (San Francisco), and fourth-round winners Geneva Rust-Orta (Oakland), Noah Gain (Fremont) and Paul Convers (Concord). These comics have performed all over Bay Area, including some of the top comedy clubs in San Francisco: Punch Line and Cobb's Comedy Club. Tickets are \$15.

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Nov. 3 is your chance to see the best local comics all performing one night, on the same stage, right here in Lamorinda.

Free Movie Night at the Orinda Theatre will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9 and will be a tribute to the late Academy Award-winning actor, Martin Landau, who was a great supporter of the California Independent Film Festival. The movie will be Alfred Hitchcock's classic, "North by Northwest," which was one of Landau's early breakout roles. Gary is an innocuous New York advertising executive who is mistaken for a spy. "North by Northwest" is one of Hitchcock's greatest thrillers which also stars Eva Marie Saint and James Mason.

Moraga Movers' Classic Movie afternoon will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15. Larry Swindell will be hosting the classic film, "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre." Fred Dobbs (Humphrey Bogart) and Bob Curtin (Tim Holt) are two Americans searching for work in Mexico and convince an old prospector to help them mine for gold in the Sierra Madre Mountains. The Treasure of the Sierra Madre is one of the first Hollywood movies to be filmed on location outside of the United States and is directed by the great John Huston. Tickets are \$7.

It's time to sing along at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Rheem Theatre as Patti Leidecker performs Hollywood's Greatest Songs for Kids of all Ages. The evening will include video clips and talks by Derek Zemrak. A few of the songs include "A Whole New World" from "Aladdin," "Circle of Life" from "Lion King" and "Somewhere Out There" from "An American Tale." Tickets are \$15.

See you at the theatres!

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