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Setting the mood for Halloween, the CineCulture film series at Fresno State will screen Alfred Hitchcock's thriller, "Rear Window" at 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 25, at the Peter's Education Center (Woodrow and Shaw avenues).



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The film includes the late Fresnan Ross Bagdasarian, Sr., (stage name David Seville) creator of Alvin and the Chipmunks, who portrays the film's songwriter with legendary actors James Stewart and Grace Kelly. Though his part is small, Bagdasarian stands next to Hitchcock in his signature cameo appearance.



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Dr. Tania Modleski

Dr. Tania Modleski, Florence R. Scott professor of English at the University of Southern California, will discuss the 115-min film after the screening. She is author of "Loving With a Vengeance: Mass Produced Fantasies for Women" and "The Women Who Knew Too Much: Hitchcock and Feminist Theory" as well as numerous other books.

The Hitchcock classic features a professional photographer, J.B. "Jeff Jeffries" (Stewart), who is confined to a wheelchair with a broken leg and becomes obsessed with watching the private dramas his neighbors play out across the courtyard.

When he suspects a salesman may have murdered his nagging wife, Jeffries enlists the help of his glamorous socialite girlfriend (Kelly) to investigate the highly suspicious chain of events that ultimately leads to one of the most memorable endings in film history.

Modleski, an internationally recognized feminist film critic and theorist, is an expert in American studies, gender studies, feminist theory and film and popular culture. Her research efforts focus on women in film, women in popular culture, women in literature and soap operas.

CineCulture is a film series and academic course in the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism. The on-campus screenings, followed by discussions, begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Peters Education Center on Fridays throughout the semester. They are free and open to the public.

Parking is not enforced in yellow and green lots after 4 p.m. on Fridays.

For more information, contact Dr. Mary Husain at mhusain@csufresno.edu.

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