

ON SCREEN

Travelling through classics and flicks

Films are a magnificent medium, thanks to their grandeur and charm that strike every human. A film is so many things in one — it takes you to its world on the magic mat and offers you catharsis.

This is the view on which *Oscar*, the film club of Sri Bhagawan Mahaveer Jain University, is based. And the tagline for *Oscar* is *From Classics to Flicks*.

Oscar is an extremely active club and is loved by the students.

The club screens serious and artistic films that have made a serious impact on world cinema. Major award-winning films are screened here.

The club members get to do a serious post-mortem of the movies which are screened for them.



INTERESTING A movie being screened for the members of *Oscar*.

The activities of the club include critiquing films by keeping in mind all the important ingredients which goes into the making of a movie, dis-

cussing the technical aspects of the films including the use of camera, lighting and sound designing, informal discussions and workshops with

prominent film and documentary makers.

Students are trained by experts to critique and appreciate the films better than or-

dinary viewers.

The club also features the works of world famous directors like Fellini, Bergman, Visconti along with other classical and contemporary films.

Madhavan Shankaran, who heads the Mass Communication Department, says, "*Oscar* aims at not just showing movies. It goes more into the details once the movie is screened. Students are involved in various other activities with regard to the movie like writing film and music reviews, discussing certain pre-production and post-production aspects as well."

Madhavan adds, "This way, students are able to get a complete picture of every movie they see at the club."

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