



# Movie/Documentary Descriptions

## June 1<sup>st</sup> – June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020

All movies & documentaries will be shown on Channel 1851 at the listed times.

### **The Many Storeys and Last Days of Thomas Merton (2016)**

**Plot:** Thomas Merton, one of the foremost spiritual thinkers of the twentieth century, had a dynamic impact on world affairs through his writing and was unique among Christian religious leaders of this time in his embrace of Eastern mysticism.

**Date:** Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 1:00pm

**Rated:** NR

**Run Time:** 58 Minutes

### **Fiddler on the Roof (1971)**

**Stars:** Norma Crane, Leonard Frey

**Plot:** Oscar-winning adaptation of the Broadway musical about life among the Jewish community of a pre-revolutionary Russian village. A poor milkman, determined to find good husbands for his five daughters, consults the traditional matchmaker - and also has a word with God.

**Date:** Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00pm

**Rated:** G

**Run Time:** 179 Minutes

### **The Magic of Belle Isle (2012)**

**Stars:** Morgan Freeman, Virginia Madsen

**Plot:** A retired and disabled writer moves to a remote village in an effort to regain his strength and passion for words. He soon meets a single mother with three children, and with their help and inspiration he rejuvenates his life and work.

**Date:** Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00pm

**Rated:** PG

**Run Time:** 109 Minutes

### **The Great Race (1965)**

**Stars:** Tony Curtis, Jack Lemon

**Plot:** A spectacular land race from New York to Paris in the early 20th century is planned, the two main competitors being the handsome, dashing hero in white, The Great Leslie, and the dastardly, black-suited Professor Fate. While Fate's sidekick, Max, attempts to sabotage Leslie and the other racers, Leslie finds an unlikely ally in Maggie DuBois, a suffragette and journalist-turned-racer whose car breaks down halfway through the event.

**Date:** Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00pm

**Rated:** G

**Run Time:** 130 Minutes

**Baseball: Shadow Ball (1994)**

**Plot:** The fifth inning of Baseball covers the sport's desperate attempts to survive the Great Depression and Babe Ruth's fading career, while a new generation of stars, including Joe DiMaggio and Ted Williams, is on the rise. This episode also presents the parallel world of Negro League players, as they take to the road mixing showmanship with talent to draw crowds in big cities and small towns alike.

**Date:** Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm

**Rated:** NR

**Run Time:** 122 Minutes

**East of Eden (1955)**

**Stars:** James Dean, Raymond Massey

**Plot:** In this film based on John Steinbeck's epic novel, Cal Trask, the son of a California farmer, feels that his father cares only about his brother, Aron. When Cal embarks on a business venture to gain the favor of his dad, he finds himself dealing with his estranged mother, now the owner of a brothel, and tensions in the family rise even further when he begins to fall for Aron's girlfriend, Abra.

**Date:** Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

**Rated:** PG

**Run Time:** 115 Minutes

**Big Little Lies (Season 2, Episode 3 – 2019)**

**Stars:** Reese Witherspoon, Nicole Kidman

**Plot:** Renata discovers that Amabella is experiencing a crisis at school; Madeleine and Ed go into couples therapy; Mary Louise sets her sights on Jane and Ziggy; Celeste struggles with the possibility that she was addicted to Perry.

**Date:** Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm

**Rated:** NR

**Run Time:** 55 Minutes

**Tea with Mussolini (1999)**

**Stars:** Joan Plowright, Judy Dench, Cher

**Plot:** In 1930s fascist Italy, adolescent Luca just lost his mother. His father, a callous businessman, sends him to be taken care of by British expatriate Mary Wallace. Mary and her cultured friends – including artist Arabella, young widow Elsa and archaeologist Georgie – keep a watchful eye over the boy. But the women's cultivated lives take a dramatic turn when Allied forces declare war on Mussolini.

**Date:** Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

**Rated:** PG

**Run Time:** 116 Minutes

**National Parks: America's Best Idea (The Morning of Creation 1946-1980)**

**Plot:** After World War II, an increasingly mobile and affluent nation begins placing demands on the parks as never before, and the parks are in danger of being "loved to death." A Park Service biologist named Adolph Murie argues that ingrained practices such as killing predators runs counter to the purpose of the national parks, while David Brower of the Sierra Club mobilized public opinion to defeat Congressional proposals for dams in pristine places. In the 1970s, when President Jimmy Carter uses the Antiquities Act to set aside 56 million acres in Alaska, a huge uproar results – and the largest grassroots movement in conversation history fights for the creation of seven new Alaska parks, adding 47 million acres, more than doubling the size of the park system.

**Date:** Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm

**Rated:** NR

**Run Time:** 113 Minutes

**Maverick (1994)**

**Stars:** Mel Gibson, Jodi Foster

**Plot:** This film update of the "Maverick" TV series finds the title cardsharp hoping to join a poker contest with an impressive payoff. In order to enter, Maverick must first put up a large cash sum. He scams hopeful contestants Annabelle and Angel in a preliminary card game to win the money he needs, making enemies of both players. While trying to evade Annabelle and Angel, the crafty Maverick realizes a cunning marshal is also on his tail.

**Date:** Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

**Rated:** PG-13

**Run Time:** 129 Minutes

**Driving Ms. Daisy (1989)**

**Stars:** Jessica Tandy, Morgan Freeman

**Plot:** Daisy Werthan, an elderly Jewish widow living in Atlanta, is determined to maintain her independence. However, when she crashes her car, her son, Boolie, arranges for her to have a chauffeur, an African-American driver named Hoke Colburn. Daisy and Hoke's relationship gets off to a rocky start, but they gradually form a close friendship over the years, one that transcends racial prejudices and social

**Date:** Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm

**Rated:** PG

**Run Time:** 99 Minutes

**Storming Juno (2010)**

**Plot:** Just after midnight on June 6, 1944, 160,000 Allied troops crossed the English Channel to launch the largest seaborne invasion in history. Their mission: to break through the coastal defenses of Hitler's "Fortress Europe" and establish a western front. *Storming Juno* follows the stories of three young soldiers, who against incredible odds, secured a beachhead on D-Day and helped to change the course of the war.

**Date:** Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

**Rated:** NR

**Run Time:** 88 Minutes