FREE JAPANESE FILM SCREENINGS

Co-organized by The Japan Foundation, Sydney & Consulate-General of Japan, Melbourne



Tuesday 30 July 2013

First Film (2.30pm - 4.10pm)



Professor Layton and the Eternal Diva

The Professor receives a letter from his old student, the famous opera diva Janice Quatlane who will soon perform at the legendary Crown Petone Opera House. She sends Layton two tickets and invites him to attend as her special guest. Meanwhile, a rash of disappearances hits London and the Professor suspects it's related to the strange things that are happening at the theatre.

Japanese Title:『レイトン教授と永遠の歌姫』

Year: 2009

Director: Masakazu Hashimoto

Japanese with English subtitles, 97 min, PG

Second Film (5.30pm – 7.10pm)



The Girl Who Leapt Through Time

WINNER: Japan Academy Prize Best Animation Film 2007

Something strange has happened to Makoto Konno. Time has suddenly stopped and moved her backwards. She notices that her abilities are not limitless but with every successful jump she's one step closer to discovering the most wonderful secret in her young adult life.

Japanese Title: 『時をかける少女』

Year: 2006

Director: Mamoru Hosoda

Japanese with English subtitles, 98 min, PG

Wednesday 31 July 2013

First Film (2.30pm - 4.25pm)



Howl's Moving Castle

Sophie, an average teenage girl working in a hat shop, finds her life thrown into turmoil when she is literally swept off her feet by a handsome but mysterious wizard named Howl. After this chance meeting she is turned into a 90-year old woman by the vain and conniving Witch of the Waste.

Japanese Title: 『ハウルの動く城』

Year: 2004

Director: Hayao Miyazaki

Japanese with English subtitles, 114 min, PG

Second Film (5.30pm - 7.45pm)



Departures

WINNER: Academy Award® Best Foreign Language Film 2009

Daigo decides to move back to his old hometown with his wife to look for work and start over. He answers a classified ad entitled "Departures" thinking it is an advertisement for a travel agency only to discover that the job is actually for a Nokanshi, a traditional funerary celebrant who prepares bodies for entry into the next life.

Japanese Title: 『おくりびと』

Year: 2008

Director: Yojiro Takita

Japanese with English subtitles, 131 min, M

Venue: Japan Information & Cultural Centre, Consulate-General of Japan in Melbourne Level 8, 570 Bourke Street Melbourne

Admission Free *Seating is limited so bookings are essential.

Please RSVP by sending your contact details to meljapan@mb.mofa.go.jp



