

Coming to a TV Screen Near YOU!

“As the Earth Turns”



*Special ONLINE Presentation by
Ed Hartman, composer and producer -
for film fans of ALL ages - Just add popcorn!*

Had Steven Spielberg been a 16-millimeter camera-toting teen in the 1930s, his home movies might have looked like “As the Earth Turns.”

Michael Rechtshaffen, LA Times

“As the Earth Turns” is a multi-award winning 1938 never-released silent sci-fi film by Richard Lyford (1917-1985), who was a Seattle filmmaker that made 9 films and had written 58 stage/screenplays before he was 20 years old. Lyford went on to work for Disney, and direct an Academy-Award Winning Documentary in 1950.



Ed Hartman, award-winning Pacific Northwest composer, scored the film, and is it’s producer. Ed has performed, taught music, and composed music for many decades in Seattle. He is originally from Chicago, and his music is in many films and television shows. Ed has been involved with the Lyford family, and “As the Earth Turns” since 2018. He owns the Richard Lyford film-estate, and has produced a documentary about Richard Lyford, and is writing a screenplay, “The Filmmaker”, about Lyford’s life in Seattle.

About the presentation:

Ed Hartman will introduce the film, and then do an online Q&A following the presentation. Ed will also share additional missing footage, films, and stills from Lyford's life and career. Ed can answer these questions and give background on the film and filmmaker:

How was the film was discovered?



How was the original film made?



What Seattle locations were used?



What about the special effects, make-up, miniatures, and explosions?



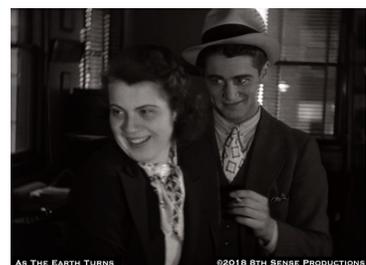
What is Richard Lyford's story in Seattle?



What did Richard Lyford do at Disney, the Army Air Forces, and the Mideast?

Where did Lyford, the Seattle cast and crew go after the film?

Where is the film is now? Current status...and a lot more!



Breakdown of presentation:

- * **10 minute introduction by Ed Hartman via Zoom.** (Ed will show an original 2 minute short film "Let's Go to the Kitchen" (in the spirit of "Lets All Go to the Lobby")
- * **45 minute screening of film** (The film is available on Amazon Prime, Google Plus and Youtube Movies, by subscription or rental. A direct link to the file or DVD is also available.)
- * **45 minute follow-up presentation with Q&A.** A computer, laptop, tablet or phone with Zoom on the audience end, creates an interactive experience.
- * **Also included:** Free downloadable printable poster (up to Theatre Lobby size 24" x 36"). There is a related on-demand merchandise store for mugs, T-shirts, etc.)

Cost of presentation: \$250.00 (Check, PayPal, or Credit Card due before start of program. (Note: Live in-person presentations will hopefully resume after the crisis passes).

Because the film is available online, you can pre-screen it first to make sure the content is appropriate for your audience. There is no strong language, nudity or excessive violence. There are inter-titles for silent film, but most of the action and dialogue is easy to follow and understand. It is a B&W adventure featuring both female and male lead actors. Lyford, the director plays "PAX" ("Peace" in Latin). The film is similar to "Flash Gordon", "Things to Come", and other movies of the 1930s. The ending is surprising, and emotional. The musical accompaniment is a combination of orchestra/classical and jazz in a 1930s style.

Please call or email for availability. Event times are available throughout the day or evening, weekdays. Ed has a high quality Zoom set-up at his end (Ed is available to test the call ahead of the presentation at a prearranged time). It is recommended that you have a good quality sound-system for the presentation of the film. Music is central to this "silent film"! **Start making the popcorn!**

Thanks and I hope to see you at the movies!

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