

ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL USA

of Kansas City

April 6, 13 & 27, 2026



Come spend an evening in Italy! Enjoy the local premieres of two recent, critically-acclaimed Italian films and a program of short films at the 2026 Italian Film Festival USA of Kansas City. Films shown in Italian with English subtitles at the Royall Hall, Room 104, at 800 E 52nd Street, on the campus of the University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC).



SWEETHEART • GIOIA MIA

Monday, April 6 • 6:00 pm

Director, Margherita Spampinato, Drama, 2025, 90 min.

Young Nico is forced to spend the summer in Sicily, staying with an elderly, unmarried and very religious aunt who lives out of time in an old building full of superstitions and without Wi-Fi. There is a clash between modernity and the past, yet, little by little, a deep bond is formed.



COME FRATELLI • LIKE BROTHERS

Monday, April 13 • 6:00 pm

Director, Antonio Padovan, Drama, 2025, 90 min.

Giorgio and Alessandro, unable to cope with the challenges of being both fathers and widowers, join forces to help each other raise their children. This balance is challenged when a woman enters the picture..



SHORT FILM PROGRAM • PROGRAMMA DI CORTOMETRAGGI

Monday, April 27 • 6:00 pm

Drama, Documentary, Comedy, Animation, 2025, 110 min.

Seven recent films—*Viola*, *Mercato libero*, *Il gatto di Monica*, *Rukeli*, *Oltre la collina*, *C'è da comprare il latte*, *Twentyseven: Sister Portrait*—are in competition for your vote for best short film.

FREE admission

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