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**SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY'S FRIDAY TALKING PICTURES FILM  
SERIES SCREENS FOUR FILMS BY AKIRA KUROSAWA**

*A Look at the Early Career of One of Japan's Cinema Masters*

**SAN DIEGO** – The San Diego Public Library will screen films from master filmmaker Akira Kurosawa every Friday in February at 2:30 p.m. in the 3rd floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. *Friday Talking Pictures* is a world-spanning celebration of contemporary and classic cinema viewed on a wide silver screen. Audience discussions will oftentimes follow the screenings. These events are FREE and open to the public.

**February 3<sup>rd</sup>** – *Rashomon* – A psychological and philosophical drama depicts a heinous crime through the varied perspectives of several eye-witness accounts.

**February 10<sup>th</sup>** – *Ikiru* – A bureaucrat tries to find meaning in his life after discovering he has terminal cancer.

**February 17<sup>th</sup>** – *Sanshiro Sugata* – A young man struggles to learn the nuance and meaning of judo, which guides him toward the meaning of life.

**February 24<sup>th</sup>** – *Hakuchi* – A Japanese veteran, driven partially mad from the war, enters a love triangle with his best friend and a disgraced woman.

Get more information on the films at the following links: [www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org), [www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com), and [www.rottentomatoes.com](http://www.rottentomatoes.com). **Unobtrusive snacks welcome.**

Learn about other events at the San Diego Public Library's Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library's catalog online at [www.sandiegolibrary.gov](http://www.sandiegolibrary.gov).

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