



The Key West Public Library, in cooperation with Tropic Cinema, presents **Movies Under the Stars on Eaton Street**, a Free, Open to the Public, Family-Friendly Outdoor Movie Series.

Beginning in November 2022, the Key West Public Library and Tropic Cinema will kick off a monthly film series to offer Key West residents a “family night out” entertainment opportunity. Featuring well-known nostalgic blockbusters, the series is scheduled to run through May 2023.

We believe this program can be an essential part of community building, offering opportunities for local families to engage with downtown Key West, bringing them together for an inexpensive night out, especially on a weekend evening.

In past outdoor screenings that the Tropic Cinema hosted, our largest to date, *Summer of Soul*, when we screened this iconic documentary on Eaton Street in front of the cinema, city-related expenses totaled over \$1,000. *The table of expenses is broken down at the bottom.

To help bring this family-oriented series to Key West, Tropic Cinema and KWPL seek to partner with the City of Key West and the Mayor's Office to provide assistance in bringing this series to the community by waiving the associated costs for a street closure.

Key West Public Library's Role (KWPL):

KWPL is the primary sponsor of this series. KWPL, through its relationship SWANK Motion Pictures, Co. works with libraries and schools to arrange for film rights for educational purposes, will cover the costs of the films. Typically rights cost \$465 through SWANK. KWPL has budgeted \$500 per title.

Tropic Cinema's Role:

The Tropic will provide the outdoor projection equipment and staff for the screening, access to its theater facilities for concessions (popcorn!), and restrooms. The Tropic will also coordinate with the Eaton Street neighbors to facilitate a friendly and communal atmosphere. The Tropic will also provide trash and recycling receptacles and work to obtain and manage the permitting.

*Summer of Soul Expenses

Summer of Soul	June 2, 2021	8:30 PM // Sunset
Vendor	Cost	Notes
Film Rights // Distributor	\$500	Film Rights
Insurance // Porter Allen	\$300	Upgrade our policy for 24 hours to include outdoor screenings
Extra Staff // Projectionist	\$100	4 hrs @\$25/hr
Volunteers	\$50	Movie Passes
Blocking street parking	WAIVED	Waived by the city -- usually the amount of parking for all blocked spaces.
City Police // Frank Duponte	\$200	Paid directly to the police
Total	\$1,150	

We are committed to bringing family events to the residents of Key West. Please help us find funding to continue offering this gift.

The proposed movie screening dates and times are below. All events will start at sunset.

Nov 12: *Karate Kid*

Dec 17: *Gremlins*

Jan 21: *Star Wars*

Feb 11: *Big*

Mar 11: *Back to the Future*

Apr 22: *Footloose*

May 13: *Grease*

Sincerely,

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