



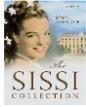
Austrian Movie Night

Saturday, February 5, at 5pm

at the home of Christian & Pamela Donner
92 Green Street, Medfield, MA 02052

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Your contribution of \$10 per person for food and wine will be appreciated.



Sorry! We are once again not going to watch Sissi. The entire Sissi trilogy is available for streaming on Netflix (with subtitles) if you think you can last through it. Instead, I selected a more recent example of Austrian cinematography:

Der Knochenmann (The Bone Man)

Austria, 2009, German with English subtitles



If "The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo" whetted your appetite for Euro-detective stories, by all means sample this tasty Austrian mystery shot through with off-kilter humor and what-the-heck plot twists. The surface details are mundane: Brenner, a cop-turned-repo-man, is looking for a guy named Horvath who is late on his car payments. But when Brenner traces him to a country restaurant famous for its roast chicken, and a big bone-grinding machine to reduce the leftovers to chicken feed, the plot tumbles down a rabbit hole of dark absurdity. Josef Hader, who wrote the Tarantino-in-leatherhosen script, is a handdog delight as Brenner. He's not much of a sleuth but his courtship of a local waitress culminates in a hilarious payoff, and a parallel affair features the most ironic use of "Love Hurts" in cinema history. There's a gallery of sharply defined supporting characters, several great car chases and a half-dozen funny-scary fight scenes. This is the third mystery film featuring the hapless Brenner. After seeing this one you'll be on tenterhooks -- until the others arrive. (COLIN COVERT, startribune.com)

Alert: popcorn and chicken may not go so well with this film.

How to find us:

From Route 128, take exit 16B (Westwood/Route 109). Follow Route 109 South for about 8 miles until Brook Street in Medfield. Turn right onto Brook and right again at the end onto Green Street. #92 is 1/2 mile up the street on your left (a yellow house with columns on the front porch). (25 min)

Route 27 also takes you to Medfield from Natick/Sherborn or Routes 1 and 95 in Walpole (see map).

