

Please fund Salem Cinema as fully as possible. Please give the maximum allowed for a cinema. It will be money well deserved and much appreciated by the city and beyond. My husband and I used to travel from McMinnville (about a 40-minute drive, one way) to Salem regularly to see films at this venue. We moved to Salem last year and we chose not just the city, but also our neighborhood, largely because of proximity to this wonderful movie house. It means a LOT to us. It is a rare and valuable entity in this part of the Willamette Valley in that it features not only high-quality modern movies, but also revivals, art films, foreign films – and this is exceedingly rare in our area – works by independent film makers. We rely on this extraordinary theater. It's loss would be devastating. It's a veritable hub for the community of film lovers who need (not just want) the cultural richness it provides.