

STEVE'S TOP 30 FOREIGN FLICKS

- **After the Wedding** – Oscar nominated Danish drama, great acting & story
- **Amazing Grace** – Historical drama based on a true story about a driven English politician fighting to end slavery
- **As Far As My Feet Will Carry Me** – True story of a German soldier escaping a Siberian labor camp after 8,000 miles and three years of effort
- **Before the Fall** – Coming of age story of a young man/boxer recruited to the Nazis and then discovering his conscience
- **Best of Youth** – Italian drama of two brothers taking different paths from the 1960's to the 21st century
- **Bonjour Monsieur Shlomi** – Israeli story that is funny and touching
- **Black Book** – World War II true story of a Jewish woman in Holland infiltrating the enemy and its toll on her
- **Character** – Oscar winner, sort of “who dun it” with surprises
- **Cinema Paradiso** – movies/film connection with life in a small town in Italy
- **Croupier** – London's gambling crime thriller with Clive Owen
- **The Counterfeiters** – Jewish master forger ethical quandary of working for the Nazis or saving his skin
- **City of Men** – story of boys growing up in the slums/gang wars of Rio de Janeiro
- **Children of Heaven** – Great and charming Iranian movie about a boy who loses his sister shoes and what he does to fix the problem
- **The Chorus** – Good French drama about a music teacher at a boys' boarding school
- **An Everlasting Piece** – comedy-drama, even men selling wigs can't escape the troubles in Belfast
- **Intimate Stories** – Argentine road movie that's fun for a number of reasons
- **Joyeux Noel** – WWI, a Christmas eve truce between German & French soldiers on the front
- **Kinky Boots** – a drag queen inherits his father's shoe company...
- **L'Auberge Espagnole** – “The Spanish Apartment” – exchange student in Barcelona learns much more about life than another language
- **Mongol** – Life story of Genghis Khan, 12th century “tough living”
- **Mostly Martha** – The original story of the uptight master cook in Germany (much better than the American copy)
- **My Beautiful Laundrette** – early Daniel Day-Lewis film set in an Asian community in London

- **Nowhere in Africa** – Oscar winner, Jewish couple prior to WWII immigrate to Kenya. Have to come to terms with staying to avoid war
- **Prisoner of the Mountains** – A couple of crazy Russian soldiers taken prisoner by Chechens, funny and unusual
- **Son of the Bride** – Argentine movie about a middle aged, over stressed person having a life changing experience after a heart attack
- **The Son's Room** – Cannes "Best Picture", French story of a tight and loving family's struggle to come to terms with a tragedy
- **The Lives of Others** – Oscar winner, 1980's East Berlin secret surveillance story of the listener's life changes as a result of what he hears
- **Shall We Dansu (Dance)?** – original Japanese version is a real treat
- **The Snapper** – Irish, a young woman living with her large family gets pregnant and refuses to name the father
- **Taxi Driver** (circa 1954) Indian romance story of a taxi driver in Mumbai who meets a lady singer
- **Together** – Chinese story of a father who wants the best for his son/exceptional violinist...
- **Under the Same Moon** – Mexican heart warmer, plight of illegal aliens and specifically a mom who wants the best for her son and sends him to the US
- **Under the Sun** – Fun Swedish movie about a lonely farmer and a newly hired "housekeeper"
- **Vitus** – Young boy piano prodigy goes against expectations for him and surprises friends and family with a difficult path
- **Water** – Young Indian girl forced to work for Hindu widows, powerful Cinderella story
- **Widow of Saint Pierre** - a drunken man kills someone and while they wait for a guillotine he becomes a good & popular man
- **Zelary** – A nurse and resistance fighter (WWII) who has to hide in the remote mountains to avoid Gestapo and adjust to a completely different life and culture