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The annual list of notable children's films appeared in the June 1976 issue of Top of the News, the quarterly journal of ALA's Children's and Young Adult Services Divisions. The list is of interest to librarians in school and public libraries.

The Children's Services Division Film Evaluation Committee, composed of children's librarians working in both school and public libraries, selected the films. All were judged to be useful for library programs serving preschoolers through eighth graders. Films made for educational use were included if they had sufficient child appeal to transcend classroom use.

Each film listing includes an annotation, and information on price, length, distributor, filmmaker and audience level. A list of distributors and their addresses is appended.

This annual list, which will regularly appear in the June issue of Top of the News covers films released for library distribution in the calendar year two years prior to the publication of the list. Thus the notable films of 1974 list is published in 1976. This time lapse will allow evaluation of actual use of films with children.

It's anticipated that the Notable Children's Film List will promote the use and purchase of exceptional children's films by libraries and schools and encourage the production of more superior films for children.

Films included on the 1974 list are:

All at Sea (Sterling Educational Films)

Animation Pie (Film Wright)

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- The Beast of Monsieur Racine (Weston Woods Studios)  
The Bronze Zoo (Texture Films)  
The Case of the Elevator Duck (Learning Corporation of America)  
Cecily (Learning Corporation of America)  
The Fable of He and She (Learning Corporation of America)  
Flight of Icarus (ACI Media)  
Free to Be. . . You and Me (Contemporary/mcGraw-Hill Films)  
Hank the Cave Peanut (Yellow Bison Productions)  
Harold's Fairy Tale (Weston Woods Studios)  
The Highwayman (Eccentric Circle Cinema Workshop)  
I'm Feeling Alone (Churchill Films)  
Legend of John Henry (Pyramid Films)  
Me and You Kangaroo (Learning Corporation of America)  
The Mole as a Painter (Phoenix Films)  
My World . . . Water (Churchill Films)  
A Round Feeling (Eccentric Circle Cinema Workshop)  
The Story of Christmas (Films Incorporated)  
The Swineherd (Weston Woods Studios)  
Wild Green Things in the City (ACI Media)

Nominations from filmmakers, film distributors, educators and librarians for the next notable list of films released in 1975 should be addressed to Mrs. Deborah Daniels, Office of Work with Children, Free Library of Philadelphia, Logan Square, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

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