CineFiles is a database of reviews, press kits, festival and showcase program notes, newspaper articles, and other documents from the PFA Library's collection. The collection contains documents from a broad range of sources covering world cinema, past and present. CineFiles currently includes materials on the films of over 145 directors whose works have been featured in PFA's exhibition program. When retrospective indexing is complete, the CineFiles database will hold over 200,000 documents. New titles and document images are added daily.

Featured Document
Program for Orson Welles' Citizen Kane, produced by RKO Pictures.

The featured document will rotate on a bimonthly basis.

Portal for Educators
Themed Collections with film recommendations; curriculum guides for select films and links to other resources

Copyright Resources Project
web site for information on working with copyright-protected materials in a digital environment
Resources for Educators

Themed Collections
This collection contains recommendations for films organized by themes culled from the California Content Standards. The themes have been adapted to a broader framework, so that the collection can be useful to all educators. Click on the title of the recommended film to access the documents.

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African-American History
Glory (18 documents)
synopsis

4 little girls (8 documents)
synopsis

Amistad (21 documents)
synopsis

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Curriculum Guides
In this section, you will find guides to the resources in our database for a small number of films. They are intended as models of how we think the resources on this website can be used to enrich the classroom viewing experience. We hope to expand this section in the future.

Birth of a Nation
(Civil War, Ku Klux Klan, African-American History, Censorship)

Some useful links
Copyright Resources Project
Media Literacy Resources
How to use primary and secondary sources in the classroom
The CineFiles page on Yahoo! Teachers