

# SENIOR CENTER INNOVATIONS



## FILM & LECTURE SERIES

### PROJECT SUMMARY

Incorporating expert led discussions into their film series led to robust conversations among seniors. Group discussions after classic films led many seniors to reminisce about the past and share stories.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Each film attracted at least five new participants to the senior center
- Adding structured discussion provided an opportunity to engage the mind
- Historians and literary experts brought their experience to the discussions

### PARTNERS

- Schools
- Historical societies

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Seniors analyzed their different reactions to the film texts based on their ages – when they were young and saw the film and now.

### CHALLENGES

Finding the right films can be a challenge. Center directors can help pick films that will appeal to the audience and lead to a good discussion.

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