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Film Series

Nang Nak (Ghost Wife)

Friday, October 21, 2016 7:30 – 9:00 PM

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Nang Nak is set during the Thai-Vietnamese war of 1831-1834. A young citizen-soldier goes off to war leaving behind his pregnant wife. The two of them are deeply in love. He suffers serious battle wounds and has to convalesce in a hospital for many months. When he finally returns home, his pretty young wife greets him warmly with their infant son, and it is only gradually that he learns that something is amiss – he doesn't see the ghost, even though the neighbors have seen it for a long time. In the end, the kingdom's most famous Buddhist monk, Somdej Toh, arrives to exorcise the ghost using powerful magic. Somdej Toh was a real historical monk. His images and statues are among the most revered icons in Bangkok today, and his magical amulets are widely sought-after.

Nang Nak was produced in 1996 and set box-office records in Thailand when it was first released. This is our Halloween offering for 2016.

Admission is free.

