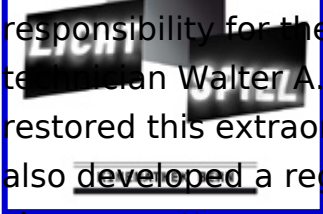


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In 2000, the association Lichtspiel took over the responsibility for the threatened cinematographic collection of the Bernese cinematographer Walter A. Ritschard. Since then, the Committee members have not only restored this extraordinary collection and made it accessible to the public, but have also developed a regional cinematheque, which became an interface for all film and cinema matters.

Regular film projections enable audiences to discover the variety and wealth of the continuously growing film collection. For the last ten years, each Sunday evening a program with short films from the archive is presented, providing the diverse audience with an exciting and entertaining glimpse of our collection. In addition, film cycles and retrospectives are organized in co-operation with other film archives. Apart from the discoveries on screen, the public can stroll through the impressive collection of cinematic objects, enjoy the changing exhibitions, or discuss the films while visiting the bar.

The film archive is professionally stored in a special refrigerated vault, consisting of more than 14,000 reels: newsreels, trailers, documentaries, advertising and music films as well as numerous amateur films.

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