

Abstract

This work deals with films made in the 1940s – 1960s in Czechoslovakia and the USA. It is concerned with the historic events during this period of time. Moreover, it describes the political background in the USA and Czechoslovakia at that time in order to find out if it influenced the film industry. This thesis focuses on a brief description of film genres during the 1940s – 1960s. Furthermore, it mentions the most famous actors, actresses and directors who became symbols of their time and it also provides research in form of a questionnaire which shows if university students are interested in the films from this period of time.

Key words: film industry, 1940s – 1960s, actors, directors, history, the USA, Czechoslovakia, genres of films.