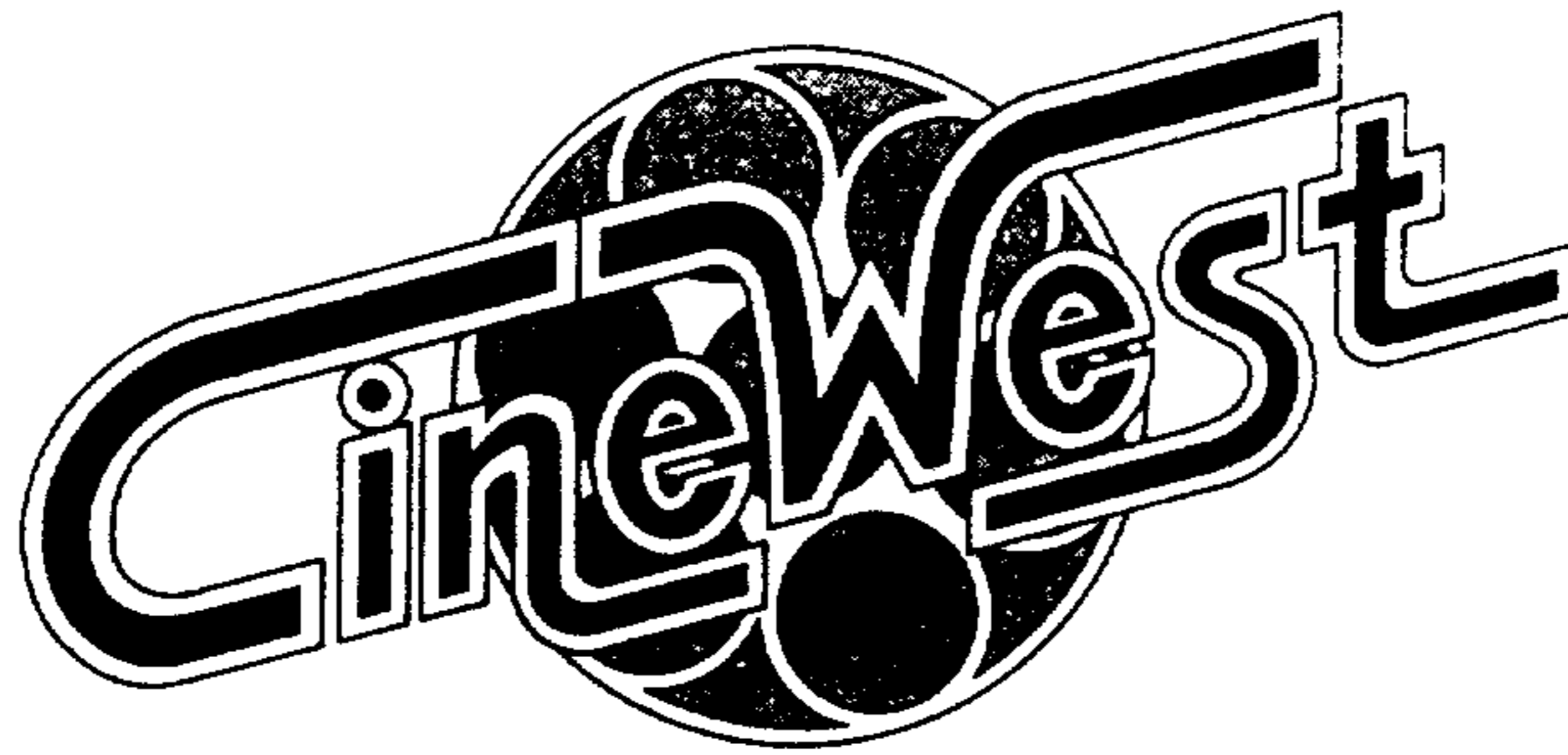


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Dear Friend,

We cordially invite you to attend one of two press screenings of the newest U.S. release by the provocative and talented young West German director, Rainer Werner Fassbinder. **THE THIRD GENERATION**, which stars Hanna Schygulla, famed for her performance in **THE MARRIAGE OF MARIA BRAUN**, French actress Bulle Ogier and veteran tough-guy Eddie Constantine, presents Fassbinder's analysis of the young terrorists of contemporary Germany.

THE THIRD GENERATION will be screened for the press at 9 am Thursday, April 2nd and at 6 pm Monday, April 6th at JWA Screening Room, 582 Market Street. The West Coast premiere engagement of **THE THIRD GENERATION** begins Friday, April 10th at the Cento Cedar Cinema, 38 Cedar Street near Larkin in San Francisco.

"There no longer can be any doubt about it: Rainer Werner Fassbinder is the most dazzling, talented, provocative, original, puzzling, prolific and exhilarating film maker of his generation. Anywhere. I say this based partly on **THE THIRD GENERATION**, his 1979 German film... which is one of his best."

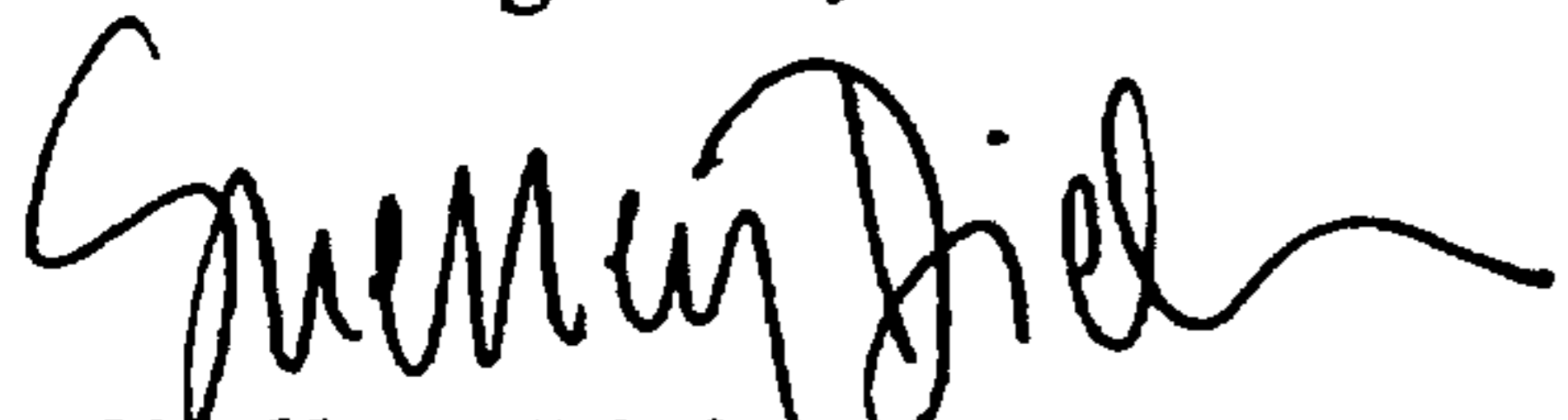
(--Vincent Canby, The New York Times)

The title of **THE THIRD GENERATION** refers to the current group of terrorists. Fassbinder distinguishes them from earlier political activists in that he feels they lack a theoretical or even practical basis for their tactics: "I am convinced they do not know what they are doing and the sense of doing it is in the doing itself, in the seemingly exciting danger, in the delusive adventure in this more and more frighteningly perfect system. To act in danger but without perspective, the ecstasy of adventure experienced in the absence of ulterior motive; this is what motivates **THE THIRD GENERATION**."

(--Rainer Werner Fassbinder)

We will have press materials available at the screenings, and look forward to seeing you. Please phone us if you have any questions.

Best regards,


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