

What to watch while sheltering at home?

Bored of watching old sporting events? Don't have enough time to binge-watch multiple episodes of that series everyone says you should watch? We can help.

We are curating a list of films that are not only entertaining, but have meaning. The idea is that if you can spare a couple of hours—or less—you can watch films that feature an aspect of liberty or free-market thinking. In these times, such old-fashioned notions need a good airing.

We plan to make the entire list available soon, so here's a taste of what to expect. These are some of our favorites, some dramas, some comedies, and are presented in no special order.

*Fahrenheit 451*, the 1966 movie based on the Ray Bradbury novel, presents a future where “controversial” books are forbidden by the government, and firemen have much different jobs than you might expect. Some brave souls react to the ban.

Pick either *All the President's Men* (1976) or *The Post* (2017) to get two versions of the same events, both reminding us how important freedom of the press really is.

For movies with individualism as an underlying theme, try *Fountainhead* (1949) or the futuristic *THX 1138* (1971). Similar theme, very different approaches.

Need to have your faith in our democracy uplifted? Try *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington* (1939), as it's a classic. A lesser-known though great film is *Born Yesterday* (1950). It's comic-drama featuring Judy Holliday as the ditsy blonde who gets educated about the importance of democracy.

For some laughs, try *The Castle* (1997). This Australian film follows the struggles of a home owner, whose property stands in the way of progress. It's eminent domain vs. the little guy with a perfect ending.

For a more current entry that champions entrepreneurship and competition, you can't go wrong with *Ford vs. Ferrari* (2019).

All films are available through one of the streaming services or available for rental via the Internet.