

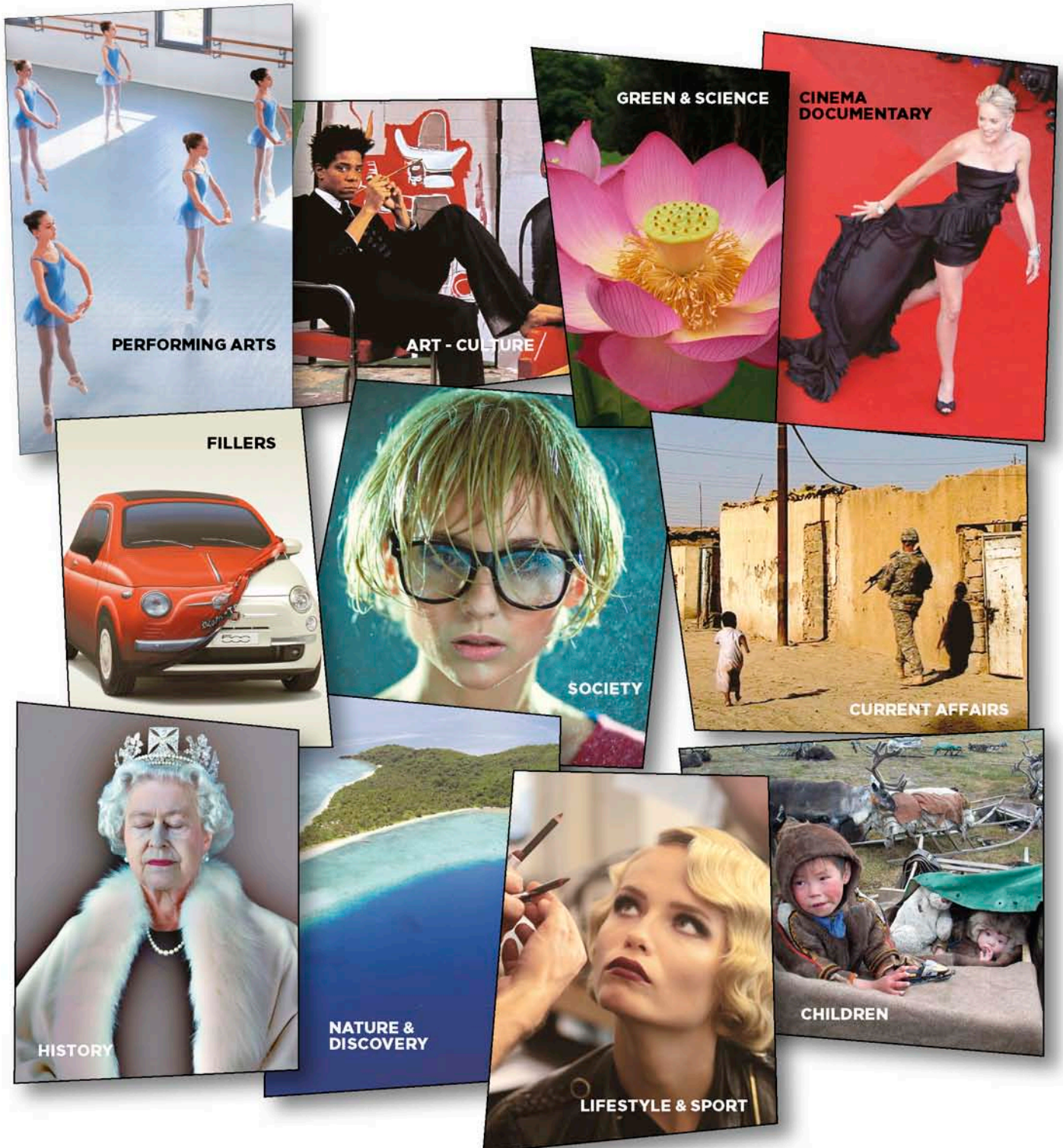
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## GEORGES MELIES: WIZARD OF CINEMA (1896-1913)

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## 01 - AFTER THE BAL - CINDERELLA

### After The Bal (1897) - Cinderella (1912)

AFTER THE BAL France 1897 - Scène grivoise An elegant Parisian woman returns home at night after a ball. She undresses with the help of her chambermaid, who pours water on her back with a pitcher. Music : Neal Kurz - B & W 1'11 CINDERELLA France 1912 scène de conte Music : Frederick Hodges - B & W 23'50

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## 02 - THE MONSTER - THE PALACE OF THE ARABIAN NIGHTS

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**THE MONSTER** France 1903 An Egyptian prince is widowed. Inconsolable. He asks a priest to try to show him his deceased loved one. The priest takes the wife's skeleton from the coffin, places clothes on the bones, which turn into a ghost. The ghost becomes a woman, alive and beautiful, but when the prince, filled with wonder, approaches her, the priest flings the skeleton in his face. **THE PALACE OF THE ARABIAN NIGHTS** France 1905 A young Prince without any money wishes to marry Aouda, the daughter of the Rajah. But she has already been promised to a usurer with a fabulous fortune. The Prince Charming, with the help of the sorcerer Khalafar, overcomes all of the planted traps along his path and receives an enormous treasure straight from the hands of the Golden Fairy. The Prince returns to the Palace of the Rajah with chests full of precious stones, gold, and money. The Rajah grants him his daughter's hand in marriage and then chases away the usurer.



### 03 - SOAP BUBBLES - THE ASTRONOMER'S DREAM - A TRIP TO THE MOON - A NIGHTMARE - THE MERMAID

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#### SOAP BUBBLES - THE ASTRONOMER'S DREAM - A TRIP TO THE MOON - A NIGHTMARE - THE MERMAID

**SOAP BUBBLES** France 1906 An illusionist makes soap bubbles with a pipe. In each ball, a head of a woman appears. The magician makes two female butterflies suddenly appear on a pedestal, followed by the Three Graces. He places himself on the stand and rises in the air in a giant soap bubble. **THE ASTRONOMER'S DREAM** France 1898 The devil torments an astronomer in his observatory by making the hideous face of a moon appear suddenly. Then, he tempts him with the appearance of young women, and finally makes the lunar face devour him. However, the goddess Phoebe protects the astronomer and brings him back to life. **A TRIP TO THE MOON** France 1902 Six scholars, member of the Astronomers' Club, set off on an expedition to the moon. They travel in a bullet-shaped rocket fired into space by a giant canon. After arriving on the moon safe and sound, they meet its inhabitants, the Selenites, escape their king and return to earth in their rocket which, after falling into the ocean, is fished out by a sailor. Applause, decorations, and a triumphant parade for the six heroes of this outer-space adventure. **A NIGHTMARE** France 1896 A man goes to bed and falls asleep. He dreams and witnesses a transformation of his bedroom where Pierrot, Columbine and a black man come to dance around him and on him. The moon also comes wishing to devour him. But upon waking up, all of the images have disappeared and he finds himself still lying in bed. **THE MERMAID** France 1904 A gentleman transforms into a fisherman with a fishline, puts small fish into an aquarium, and fishes in his hat. Suddenly, he finds bourgeois clothes, but the setting around him has changed. In the aquarium, magnificently transformed, a beautiful mermaid appears and changes into a charming woman. The gentleman becomes the god Neptune who comes to rule in the final scene, among the naiads.



## 04 - THE WONDERFUL LIVING FAN - THE ENCHANTED SEDAN CHAIR - JOAN OF ARC - A MIRACLE UNDER THE INQUISITION - THE KING AND THE JESTER

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**THE WONDERFUL LIVING FAN** France 1904 A maker of magic fans presents one of his works to a representative of King Louis XV in the gardens of Versailles. Responding to the wishes of the lord, he makes charming young women appear but eventually fools him in the end. **THE ENCHANTED SEDAN CHAIR** France 1905 On stage, an illusionist magically brings to life a Lady and Lord in Louis XIV costume. He then performs a series of tricks with a sedan chair. **JOAN OF ARC** France 1900 **A MIRACLE UNDER THE INQUISITION** France 1904 Put under questioning, a wrongly accused young woman is sent into a torture chamber where the executioner must set her on fire. He carries out the sentence, but a miracle happens : an angel brings the young woman back to life and burns the executioner instead. **THE KING AND THE JESTER** France 1908



## 05 - THE MELOMANIAC - FRENCH COPS LEARNING ENGLISH - BETWEEN CALAIS AND DOVER - TUNNELLING THE ENGLISH CHANNEL

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**THE MELOMANIAC** France 1903 Accompanied by his students, a musicman uses telegraph wires as a music staff. He attaches his own head to the wires in order to play notes from first three bars of the British anthem. **FRENCH COPS LEARNING ENGLISH** France 1908 City sergeants take very unusual English lessons under the instruction of Miss Blackford, the school's headmistress. **BETWEEN CALAIS AND DOVER** France 1897 A comical scene on board a boat. While travelling across the ocean, ship passengers are ill at ease and a priest takes a fall in a humorous manner. **TUNNELLING THE ENGLISH CHANNEL** France 1907 At the Elysée palace, King Edward VII and the President of the Republic occupy adjoining bedrooms. They doze off and dream that the tunnel under the English Channel has been built thanks to them. It is unveiled and the President Faillères is on his way to the station Charing-Cross in London and is on board a train passing through the tunnel under the English Channel. However, two trains collide and the tunnel collapses. It is but a nightmare, and the two State leaders wake up and congratulate each other.





## 06 - THE FOUR TROUBLESOME HEADS - THE BEWITCHED INN - THE DIABOLIC TENANT - THE WOES OF ROLLER SKATES - A DESPERATE CRIME

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**THE FOUR TROUBLESOME HEADS** France 1898 A man introduces himself, takes his head from his shoulders and places it on a table to his left. A second head appears, he takes this one as well and places it next to the first one. The two heads converse with the man, who then receives a third head. He removes his head again and this time, places it to his right. He proceeds to give a concert with four identical heads. He makes the three heads on the table disappear, takes the one on his shoulders, throws it far and immediately another head appears. **THE BEWITCHED INN** France 1897 A traveler enters his bedroom at an inn, sees his luggage disappear, while his hat and boots run away. The furniture moves around, his clothes and his bed disappear but then reappear once again. The traveler is thrown into a panic and dashes off. **THE DIABOLIC TENANT** France 1909 A tenant gifted with magical powers takes out of his overnight bag his entire house furnishings and even the members of his family ! Not able to settle his rent, he moves out without paying the landlord. **THE WOES OF ROLLER SKATES** France 1908 **A DESPERATE CRIME** France 1906



## 07 - THE CONQUEST OF THE POLE

### THE CONQUEST OF THE POLE

The increase of polar expeditions causes a meeting among scientists. They must choose the best way to reach the North Pole. An airbus is designed by the engineer Maboul. Six scientists from different nations accompany him on this formidable journey. Other voyagers, using different ways of locomotion, sadly fail. The airbus reaches the North Pole but crashes upon landing. A snow giant frightens the explorers. After they find themselves stuck to a magnetic needle, pole axis. Finally, they are saved by a blimp and triumphantly regain their esteem at the institute.

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## 08 - THE MYSTERIOUS KNIGHT - THE HAUNTED CASTLE - THE MAGICIAN'S CAVERN - THE KINGDOM OF FAIRIES - JUPITER'S THUNDERBALLS

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**THE MYSTERIOUS KNIGHT** France 1899 A knight from the Middle Ages draws a head of a page on a blackboard. The head comes to life, and the knight takes it and places it on a jug on a table. He then pierces the head with his sword and engages it in conversation. He places it on a tripod and finally makes the rest of the page's body appear, but then makes it disappear once again. He throws the head onto the blackboard where it turns back into the original drawing. The knight erases it and disappears through the chimney. **THE HAUNTED CASTLE** France 1897 The arrival of a gentleman and his manservant in a castle. A rapid series of events occur which almost make them die from fear. They see ghosts and skeletons, and various objects disappear. A visit from Satan chases away the two men who run like maniacs among all the phantoms. The scene ends with the triumph of Satan over the two uninvited guests. **THE MAGICIAN'S CAVERN** France 1901 An abnormally long description would be required to describe all the innovative situations and original tricks contained in this very astonishing and most sensational subject. **THE KINGDOM OF FAIRIES** France 1903 Princess Azurine is betrothed to Prince Bal Azor in the presence of fairy godmothers. But someone forgot to invite the Sorceress, who becomes infuriated and gets revenge by taking the Princess. Her fiancé leaves to find her, and after many adventures and trials, he finds her and marries her before the Court in full celebration. The Sorceress is then sentenced to death. **JUPITER'S THUNDERBALLS** France 1903 Jupiter reigns, basking in all his glory on Mount Olympia. After having sent Mercury on a mission, he creates nine Muses, but his thunder, which he gladly brandishes, no longer works. He has it repaired by Vulcan and burns himself upon collecting it.



## 09 - THE TRIPLE CONJURER AND THE LIVING HEAD - THE BACHELOR'S PARADISE - THE DEVIL IN A CONVENT - THE DEVIL AND THE STATUE - THE MERRY FROLICS OF SATAN

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THE TRIPLE CONJURER AND THE LIVING HEAD France 1900 In this absolutely extraordinary scene, an illusionist splits himself in two. The two body doubles sit on two chairs. On a shelf, an isolated head made of cardboard is placed between the two and comes to life. The two illusionists show that there is no body under the cardboard. Then a body forms under the head and the two illusionists begin to court the lady who has just appeared, but she gradually melts in their hands, leaving the two men face to face and crestfallen. The two illusionists are one in the same person. THE BACHELOR'S PARADISE France 1901 THE DEVIL IN A CONVENT France 1899 THE DEVIL AND THE STATUE France 1901 THE MERRY FROLICS OF SATAN France 1906



## 10 - AN IMPOSSIBLE BALANCING FEAT - GOING TO BED UNDER DIFFICULTIES - EXTRAORDINARY ILLUSIONS - THE IMPOSSIBLE VOYAGE

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### IMPOSSIBLE BALANCING FEAT (AN) - GOING TO BED UNDER DIFFICULTIES - EXTRAORDINARY ILLUSIONS - THE IMPOSSIBLE VOYAGE

**IMPOSSIBLE BALANCING FEAT (AN)** France 1902 A lonely man, dressed "à la française," advances towards the audience. He removes his jacket, wearing only his shirt. He performs various acrobatic moves and becomes four identical characters where one stands on his head while holding two others in his hands. **GOING TO BED UNDER DIFFICULTIES** France 1900 A traveler stays at an inn. Not long after hanging up his overcoat and hat on the coat rack does he find himself dressed in new clothes. He undresses once more and the little trick continues in a frenzy. The man is enraged. He attempts to go to sleep, but the bed disappears. **EXTRAORDINARY ILLUSIONS** France 1901 Instead of moving on his own, a Pierrot sends his body parts and his head to look for the objects he needs. His arms, legs, trunk and head dance around individually before assembling back together in order to reform the entire body of Pierrot, who waves. **THE IMPOSSIBLE VOYAGE** France 1904 An expedition of scholars, members of the Institute of Incoherent Geography, undertake a voyage towards the sun under the direction of the engineer Mabouloff. After many incidents, they manage to take off on board their special train and reach the sun. They then leave the sun using a type of submarine which leads them down into the depths of the ocean. After an explosion, they find themselves safe and sound on dry land and congratulate each other.



## 11 - THE PRINCE OF MAGICIANS - THE DEVILISH PLANK - THE INFERNAL CAULDRON - THE TREASURES OF SATAN - THE KNIGHT OF THE SNOW

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**THE PRINCE OF MAGICIANS** France 1901 A magician takes out a tissue from the mouth of his assistant. From the tissue, he removes a large fish tank. The assistant asks for water to fill the tank. The magician then uses the assistant's arm as a pump while water comes out of the assistant's mouth. **THE DEVILISH PLANK** France 1904 By the order of a magician, two clowns wear a plank pierced with two holes. Two cancan dancers come out of the holes, perform a few steps, then disappear back into the wooden board. **THE INFERNAL CAULDRON** France 1903 The demon Belphegor, enforcer of the lowest deeds in Hell, burns three unfortunate victims in his infernal cauldron. From there, ghosts rise in the air then disappear. The devil throws himself into his cauldron. **THE TREASURES OF SATAN** France 1902 Satan has locked sacks of gold in a box. The owner of the bags, a miser, attempts to take them back, but the bewitched casket plays tricks on him. In the end, the miser, burns the interior of the box. **THE KNIGHT OF THE SNOW** France 1912 An ousted suitor, with the help of the Devil to which he sold his soul, takes away the princess who he wishes to marry and locks her in a dungeon. The Knight in Shining Armor, protected by a fairy who gives him a rose to keep as a talisman, saves the girl and brings her back to her father, the king, while the suitor is hanged and subsequently taken by the Devil who leads him to hell.





## 12 - THE BRAHMIN AND THE BUTTERFLY - THE WIZARD, THE PRINCE AND THE GOOD FAIRY - THE WITCH - A FANTASTICAL MEAL - LE VITRAIL DIABOLIQUE

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**THE BRAHMIN AND THE BUTTERFLY** France 1901 An Asian magician transforms a giant caterpillar into a female butterfly and deprives her of wings in order to keep her close to him. However, she quickly takes revenge. **THE WIZARD, THE PRINCE AND THE GOOD FAIRY** France 1900 A prince goes to a wizard to ask him for a charming and affectionate fiancée. **THE WITCH** France 1906 **A FANTASTICAL MEAL** France 1900 In a dining room, a table transforms and its legs grow to be three meters long. A crate of dynamite explodes. One of the characters finds himself on the ceiling. **LE VITRAIL DIABOLIQUE** France 1911



## 13 - THE MYSTERIOUS - THE CHRISTMAS DREAM - A GRANDMOTHER'S STORY - THE PILLAR OF FIRE - THE GOOD SHEPERDESS AND THE EVIL PRINCESS

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**THE MYSTERIOUS PORTRAIT** France 1899 An illusionist makes his double appear in a frame and converses with him before making him disappear. **THE CHRISTMAS DREAM** France 1900 Spectacular cinematic fairyland. A child is asleep the night before Christmas and dreams that angels bring him toys and that he attends midnight mass and has a Christmas meal. He awakes to find the chimney overflowing with gifts. The film ends in a scenery full of snow and ice. **A GRANDMOTHER'S STORY** France 1908 At night, a grandmother reads a story to her grandson before putting him to bed. The child dreams of an angel who comes to bring him to the Land of Toys. After, a fairy shows him a garden of female butterflies. Then, the little boy wakes up and stretches his hands out towards the wall, but he does not find anything there. **THE PILLAR OF FIRE** France 1899 In a gigantic chimney, a devil sets a fire under a pan from which a dancer appears, performs a snake dance, and makes the flames dance. **THE GOOD SHEPERDESS AND THE EVIL PRINCESS** France 1908 A prince falls in love with a shepherdess but his mother, the evil princess, thinks this is a bad match-up. Fortunately, a fairy godmother appears to punish her by making the princess disappear down a well, thus allowing the couple to marry in peace.



## 14 - THE ONE-MAN BAND - FAT AND LEAN WRESTLING MATCH - RIP'S DREAM - THE FAMOUS BOX TRICK - WHY THAT ACTOR WAS LATE

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**THE ONE-MAN BAND** France 1900 One of the most extraordinary and incomprehensible tricks ever performed. The same character self-multiplies 7 times, each body rises out of the previous one, each holding different musical instruments. They all form an orchestra. The middle man beats time while the others play their instruments and contort their bodies in a comical way. In the end, all of the characters return back into each other's bodies one by one. **FAT AND LEAN WRESTLING MATCH** France 1900 A parody of various carnival fights. First, a fight between two women, and then one between two men. Next, there is a comical match between a fat man and a skinny man, full of very funny incidents. **RIP'S DREAM** France 1905 The scene takes place in America, in a small English colony at the edge of the Hudson. Rip Van Winkle, accused of conspiring with the enemy (France) by the village bailiff, must flee to the mountain. There, he falls asleep and dreams that he is sentenced to sleep for 20 years since he stole the treasure of a pirate whose ghost comes to take revenge by making him sleep. Rip dreams that he wakes up 20 years older and that no one recognizes him. However, it is but a dream, and Rip discovers a world where all danger is from now on isolated. **THE FAMOUS BOX TRICK** France 1898 The magician takes out a young boy from a box. He places him on a pedestal, grabs an axe and divides the child. Instead of just one, there are now two boys, who then begin to fight each other. The magician separates them, holds one of them in his arms, transforms him into a sheet of paper, which he tears up. Then taking the other boy, he puts him into the box, breaks it down immediately as if it were completely empty, and takes out a new child, but this time from the ground. The magician makes the child disappear, transforming him into two curtains, and then disappears himself. **WHY THAT ACTOR WAS LATE** France 1908 An actor realizes that he is going to be late for his performance at the theatre. He causes several catastrophes along the way, but does everything he can to arrive just before the curtain rises.



## 15 - OFF TO BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM - THE BALLET MASTER'S DREAM - WHIMSICAL ILLUSIONS - DREAM OF AN OPIUM FIEND - BARON MUNCHAUSEN'S DREAM

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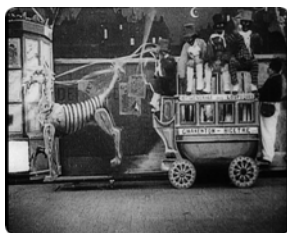
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**OFF TO BLOOMINGDALE ASYLUM** France 1901 **THE BALLET MASTER'S DREAM** France 1903 A ballet teacher is worried about the new dance steps that he must find for his next ballet. He goes to bed and falls asleep. In his dreams, he sees two female dancers, and then a ravishingly eccentric dancer dressed in << gum >>. The dream turns into a nightmare when he tries to grasp the young woman and she turns into a horrible old woman. Fortunately, he wakes up and realizes it was all a dream. **WHIMSICAL ILLUSIONS** France 1909 After having made lanterns, stools, and green plants appear magically, an illusionist takes out of a crate a majestic Egyptian followed by a pretty Egyptian woman. He makes himself disappear into the crate and reappears on stage to take a bow in front of the audience. **DREAM OF AN OPIUM FIEND** France 1908 After having smoked a pipe of opium, a man falls asleep and dreams. The moon appears to him in the form of a very pretty woman and attempts to woo her. However, the woman transforms into a grotesque monster that he wants to knock out...but then, he wakes up. **BARON MUNCHAUSEN'S DREAM** France 1911 The Baron of Münchhausen has enjoyed a wonderful dinner with his friends. He goes to bed a bit tipsy. In his troubled sleep, he sees charming apparitions and others that are not so charming. He also has real nightmares that take place in the large mirror placed above his bed. In the end, he breaks the mirror with his night table and finds himself outside of his home, hanging on a gate. Such a dreadful wakening !



## 16 - THE IMPERCEPTIBLE TRANSMUTATIONS - THE INVENTOR CRAZYBRAINS AND HIS WONDERFUL AIRSHIP - THE HILARIOUS POSTERS - LONG DISTANCE WIRELESS PHOTOGRAPHY - ADVENTUROUS AUTOMOBILE TRIP (AN)

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**THE IMPERCEPTIBLE TRANSMUTATIONS** France 1904 A young Prince in a Renaissance costume performs a series of magic tricks on the stage of the King's private theatre. He makes a young Tyrolean appear, and after several metamorphoses, she finally transforms into a Princess. The Prince and Princess go off together in the end. **THE INVENTOR CRAZYBRAINS AND HIS WONDERFUL AIRSHIP** France 1906 **THE HILARIOUS POSTERS** France 1906 Poster advertisements come to life, converse with each other. Then, military sergeants come in from the city and bombard the area, noting the activity in the street. The posters fall on them. Afterwards, the officers find themselves hooked onto the railings, while the animated posters parade around and mock them. **LONG DISTANCE WIRELESS PHOTOGRAPHY** France 1908 A photographer invents an electric machine that reproduces faces and bodies of people on a black screen while they simultaneously move in front of a sound recorder. It's just like a primitive model of the television ! He performs a brilliant demonstration in front of potential clients by showing the couple the three Graces and then a ravishing young woman. The customers wish to try the machine, but they get angry when the photographer ridicules them on the black screen. **ADVENTUROUS AUTOMOBILE TRIP (AN)** France 1905 The King of Belgium, Léopold II, widely known for his automobile accidents, embarks upon the trek from Paris to Monte-Carlo in two hours with his car. After a number of incidents upon passing the octroi in Dijon, crossing the Alps, hustling passers-by and a road worker, the king arrives in Monte-Carlo and wins his bet.





## 17 - EIGHT GIRLS IN A BARREL - THE MYSTERIOUS RETORT - A MESMERIAN EXPERIMENT - BLUE BEARD - THE DAMNATION OF FAUST

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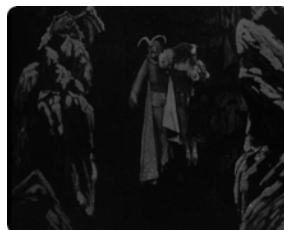
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**EIGHT GIRLS IN A BARREL** France 1900 In the middle of the stage, a barrel is placed on a stand. A man and eight young girls surround it. The man shows, as if necessary, that there is absolutely no link between the barrel and the floor, but nevertheless sends the eight young girls, one after the other, into the barrel without the appearance of being full. At the end of this marvelous trick, the illusionist returns to the barrel in order to show the audience that it is in fact " full of emptiness ". **THE MYSTERIOUS RETORT** France 1906 An alchemist attempts to perform several experiments, but soon he becomes tired and falls asleep. During his slumber, his flask grows into a gigantic size. A devil suddenly appears and makes various monsters come out of the flask, which eventually explodes. The devil is then seen in the middle of the flames and places his victorious foot on the body of the magician who lies on the ground, unconscious. **A MESMERIAN EXPERIMENT** France 1905 **BLUE BEARD** France 1901 Lord Blue-Beard, already a seven-time widower, is married in holy matrimony. Upon leaving on a trip, he forbids his new bride to enter the castle chamber. But, tempted by the devil, she enters and discovers the corpses of Blue-Beards seven wives. Seeing that she has disobeyed him, Blue-Beard wishes to murder her, but the young woman's brothers arrive just in time to save her. The tyrant is demolished. **THE DAMNATION OF FAUST** France 1903 After the death of Marguerite, Mephistopheles takes hold of Faust. They mount the carriage of a messenger, who takes them to Hades. Continuing on foot, they pass by fantastical scenery. Finally, the Devil shows Faust several pretty nymphs and a ballet with beautiful dancers. Then, after a long vertical descent, Faust rushes towards the fires of hell, while the Devil prevails, in the middle of his kingdom and servants.



## 18 - THE MAN WITH THE RUBBER HEAD - THE COOK IN TROUBLE - GULLIVER'S TRAVELS AMONG THE LILLIPUTIANS AND THE GIANTS - THE BLACK IMP - THE DOCTOR'S SECRET

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**THE MAN WITH THE RUBBER HEAD** France 1901 In his laboratory, an apothecary places his own head on a table and makes it grow larger using a bellows. His assistant operates the bellows, but he gets too carried away and the head explodes. **THE COOK IN TROUBLE** France 1904 A cook is punished for having chased out a beggar who was asking for just a small piece of bread. A spell is cast on his kitchen : little devils come to torment him and in the end, they throw his head into pots. **GULLIVER'S TRAVELS AMONG THE LILLIPUTIANS AND THE GIANTS** France 1902 This is an adaptation of the Swift book written in 1726. Gulliver is first a prisoner in Lilliput. He puts out a fire. The he finds himself in the land of giants, placed on a table. **THE BLACK IMP** France 1905 A black devil, tired from his day, lies down in a hotel bedroom, but is bothered by the arrival of a traveler. He disappears, but when the hotel guest wishes to go to bed, the devil prevents him from doing so in every way possible. The man goes mad. He is taken away and the devil returns to bed and reaches a peaceful ending to his night. **THE DOCTOR'S SECRET** France 1909



## 19 - THE DWARF AND THE GIANT - THE LIVING PLAYING CARDS - THE SCHEMING GAMBLERS' PARADISE - A CRAZY COMPOSER - PHARMACEUTICAL HALLUCINATIONS

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THE DWARF AND THE GIANT France 1901 Méliès splits in two. One of the two personalities turns out to be annoying. THE LIVING PLAYING CARDS France 1905 An illusionist performs in front of the audience a variety of famous card tricks magnified by magic. He makes the Queen of Hearts and the King of Clubs come to life, in the size of real humans. This trick is also a chance to use magic to perform substitutions, apparitions and disappearances. THE SCHEMING GAMBLERS' PARADISE France 1905 Card players assemble underground, circled around a table. A croupier leads the group. Suddenly, a manservant announces the arrival of the police. The setting immediately transforms into a fashion boutique and sewing shop. False alarm, the game resumes. But the police captain and officers return. This time, everyone disappears and the policemen seat themselves at the game table and begin to play. A CRAZY COMPOSER France 1905 PHARMACEUTICAL HALLUCINATIONS France 1908 The three assistants of an apothecary play a joke on him and make him drink a hallucinogenic potion. The apothecary falls asleep in his laboratory and sees ghosts appear before his very eyes. Frightened, he fights against them. After, he wakes up and recounts his adventures to his assistants who advise him to go see a famous sorcerer. He visits the sorcerer, who introduces him to a fairy. She transforms his pharmacy into a candy and pastry shop where all the poor people come to eat.



## 20 - THE MAGIC BOOK - THE INN WHERE NO MAN RESTS - THE SPIDER AND THE BUTTERFLY - SATAN IN PRISON - THE CHIMNEY SWEEP

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**THE MAGIC BOOK** France 1900 A magnificent subject in which life-size engravings placed in an enormous volume come to life one after the other, forming characters from an Italian farce : Pierrot, Harlequin, Punchinello, Columbine and Cassandra. After a pantomime, the characters return to the volume pages one after the other and become engravings once again. **THE INN WHERE NO MAN RESTS** France 1903 A slightly drunk traveller tries to sleep in his bedroom at an inn. Are the effects a result of his drunkenness ? His clothes and candlestick come to life and attack him. Then an imp joins in the torment and begins to dance. The inhabitants of the inn, outraged by the noise, dance the conga into the man's bedroom and proceed go after him on a wild goose chase. **THE SPIDER AND THE BUTTERFLY** France 1909 **SATAN IN PRISON** France 1907 **THE CHIMNEY SWEEP** France 1906 Jack, the young chimney sweep, dreams that he becomes Prince thanks to the help of the Fairy Godmother. But his boss wakes him up and takes hima long to sweep the chimneys. In one of the shafts, Jack finds a safe full of gold and runs away with his treasure, followed by his boss, the owner of the home, and all of the servants.



## 21 - THE MAGIC LANTERN - UNTAMABLE WHISKERS - THE HAUNTED CASTLE - NOT GUILTY

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THE MAGIC LANTERN France 1903 Punchinello and Pierrot construct a massive magic lamp which they use for projections on a wall. They let out of the lamp English dancers, Harlequin, Columbine and a group of classical dancers. Punchinello and Pierrot argue with a French Cancan dancer. Police come to intervene. UNTAMABLE WHISKERS France 1904 Méliès in a tailcoat and top hat draws the heads of a poet, an old bearded man, an English jockey, and an << excentric comic >> on a blackboard. One by one, he takes the appearance of each character and portrays them as Mephistopheles. THE HAUNTED CASTLE France 1896 NOT GUILTY France 1908 Three bandits attack peasants in their homes and steal from them. They kill the farmer and injure his wife. A farmer's son is accused of the murder, but the young female servant, who was harassed by the thieves, recognizes them and proves the young man's innocence in front of the judges and the wife.





## 22 - THE ECLIPSE, OR THE COURTSHIP OF THE SUN AND MOON - THE HUMAN FLY - GOOD GLUE STICKS - THE GENII OF FIRE - IN THE BOGIE MAN'S CAVE

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**THE ECLIPSE, OR THE COURTSHIP OF THE SUN AND MOON** France 1907 Among a class of unruly students, an astronomy professor explains that the solar eclipse is supposed to take place in a little while. He then goes to his observatory to witness the event. Indeed, he sees the moon pass in front of the sun, in a comical love scene. The stars and planets march in space, then a shower of shooting stars fills the professor with wonder as he moves forward, wishing to see them more closely... but then falls into a tub of water. **THE HUMAN FLY** France 1902 Six graceful Russian dancers surround a muzhik who performs a lively dance. He climbs along the side of a wall, continuing to dance and pirouette as if he were suspended in air. **GOOD GLUE STICKS** France 1907 A street peddler gets his revenge against some police officers who prevented him from selling his merchandise. However, the police enforcement, assisted by bystanders, has the last word in the end. **THE GENII OF FIRE** France 1908 An overly-curious young girl leads her fiancé into a mysterious cave despite the warnings of a priest. While attempting to break into the entrance of the Fire Genie's palace, the couple is blinded by the flames. However, when they exit the cave, the priest gives them back their sight. **IN THE BOGIE MAN'S CAVE** France 1908



## 23 - DIVERS AT WORK ON THE WRECK OF THE "MAINE" - THE TERRIBLE TURKISH EXECUTIONER - CINDERELLA - SIGHTSEEING THROUGH WHISKY - AFFAIRE DREYFUS

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**DIVERS AT WORK ON THE WRECK OF THE "MAINE"** France 1898 Divers and live fish. The American battleship "The Hand" has sunk in the port harbor in Havana (Cuba) after it exploded. Three deep-sea divers find an open hole in the shipwreck, go through it and remove a dead body that they attach to a rope in order to bring it up to the surface. **THE TERRIBLE TURKISH EXECUTIONER** France 1904 In Constantinople, an executioner is in charge of beheading four convicted prisoners. Yet, the heads reattach to the bodies of the executed and they come back to life. The sentenced men get their revenge by cutting the executioner in two, but he succeeds in joining himself back together and dashes forward in pursuit of them. **CINDERELLA** France 1899 The cruel mother and two sisters of Cinderella treat her as their scapegoat. However, the Fairy Godmother allows her to go the ball on the condition that she returns at midnight ! While fleeing from the royal palace where she danced with the Prince, Cinderella lost her glass slipper ! The prince tries it on all the young girls in the kingdom : Cinderella is the only one who manages to place her foot in the slipper. They get married and live happily ever after. **SIGHTSEEING THROUGH WHISKY** France 1907 A coachman, who is accompanying a group of tourists in some old ruins, drinks a bit too much from his bottle of whisky. He falls asleep and becomes the victim of hallucinations : he sees a high priest, the three Graces, Bacchus, etc...but suddenly, he is brought back to reality. **AFFAIRE DREYFUS** 1899



## 24 - TCHIN-CHAO, THE CHINESE CONJURER - PROFESSOR DO-MI-SOL-DO - THE INFERNAL CAKEWALK - AN INDIAN SORCERER - SIDESHOW WRESTLERS

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**TCHIN-CHAO, THE CHINESE CONJURER** France 1904 A Chinese magician turns paper lanterns into a dog, and then the dog into a woman. After various transformations and disappearances, he covers a young woman in a veil from which he takes out chickens ! The young woman gets her revenge in the end. **PROFESSOR DO-MI-SOL-DO** France 1906 A very agitated orchestra conductor struggles with a music stand, a trombone, a piano, and a music score which all victimize him. He becomes completely insane. **THE INFERNAL CAKEWALK** France 1903 In his kingdom of Hades, the Devil makes a couple of professional dancers come to demonstrate the Cake-Walk. After, a ridiculous devil appears from a large cake, performs an acrobatic dance, and then disappears in an explosion and a smoke cloud. All of the inhabitants of Hades participate in a crazy saraband dance. **INDIAN SORCERER (AN)** France 1908 Scène à trucs A wizard makes an egg grow to an enormous size, then cuts it in two, and places each half on the pans of a balance scale, which he magically constructed using a lorgnette. From this, he makes hens appear as well as two children. **SIDESHOW WRESTLERS** France 1908 A caretaker teaches an unstoppable wrestling hold to his friend who has just seen wrestlers perform at a fair exhibition. The friend, the caretaker, and his wife attend the funfair and the contests begin. Using the tips he has just received from the caretaker, the friend succeeds in amazing everyone.



## 25 - THE VANISHING LADY - THE HAT WITH MANY SURPRISES - HOW BRIDGET'S LOVER ESCAPED - THE DANCING MIDGET - THE CHRISTMAS ANGEL

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**THE VANISHING LADY** France 1896 A magician presents a lady, seats her on a chair, covers her with a veil and when he removes it, the woman disappears. He attempts to make her come back, but he makes a skeleton appear instead. He swiftly chases it until the lady reappears once again. **THE HAT WITH MANY SURPRISES** France 1901 HOW BRIDGET'S LOVER ESCAPED France 1907 **THE DANCING MIDGET** France 1902 A magician removes a dozen eggs from the mouth of his assistant. He cracks them into a hat, beats them as if to make an omelette, and takes out an egg as big as the hat. He barely places the egg on the table when a miniscule woman appears, full of life and no bigger than a puppet. She begins to perform a lovely series of dance steps. All of a sudden, her body grows into the size of a normal person. She jumps up and charms the audience with her rapid change. Then, the magician and dancer disappear in the most extraordinary way. **THE CHRISTMAS ANGEL** France 1904



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