

SCREENING ROOM

'Africa' opens 'Nature' series

The Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy's popular film series "The Beauty of Nature" launches its 2016 season on April 17 with Sydney Pollack's Oscar-winning 1985 film, "Out of Africa," at the Warner Grand Theatre in San Pedro. "Tracks," "The Way," "Touching the Void" and "Unbranded" continue the theme of personal adventure at various venues through November.

When it was released, audiences turned out in droves, making the film No. 5 on the year's box-office chart, trailing only "Back to the Future," "Rambo: First Blood Part II," "Rocky IV" and "The Color Purple." The film won seven Oscars, including Kurt Luedtke's screenplay, John Barry's score and two for producer-director Pollack.

— KEVIN CRUST

"Out of Africa," Warner Grand Theatre, 478 W. 6th St., San Pedro, 4 p.m. Sunday, pvplc.org.



CBS Photography / Mirage Production

MERYL STREEP in "Out of Africa," the movie that opens the popular film series "The Beauty of Nature."