

A list of "Medical Movies"

PATCH ADAMS (1998)

Robin Williams as eponymous hero who thinks making patients laugh is the secret of success.

WHAT ABOUT BOB? (1991)

Frank Oz. A truly hilarious film about a patient and his shrink with Bill Murray and Richard Dreyfuss.

DOC HOLLYWOOD (1991)

Michael J Fox learns to love small town life as the resident physician.

THE OFFICER'S WARD (2000)

Excellent French film set in WW1 about a badly wounded officer.

MY LIFE WITHOUT ME (2002)

Recent indie American film about a young woman coming to terms with her imminent death

LORENZO'S OIL (1990)

Excellent medical drama based on true story about parents looking for a cure for their terminally ill son

AN ANGEL AT MY TABLE (1990)

Based on true story about NZ novelist's early life

WIT (2001)

Emma Thompson stars as a terminally ill patient in excellent HBO movie.

MY LEFT FOOT (1991)

Starring Daniel Day–Lewis as a young man with cerebral palsy

COMING HOME (1978)

A post -Vietnam film dealing with the impact of war and spinal injury

BORN ON THE FOURTH OF JULY (1989)

Also a film about the effects of war and disability

AWAKENINGS (1990)

Based on the book by Oliver Sacks about a long-term institution for people with Parkinson's disease.

WASTELANDS (1993)

Starring Anthony Hopkins as the writer CS Lewis and the death of his wife from cancer

WHAT'S EATING GILBERT GRAPE (1993)

About a dysfunctional family and Leonardo DiCaprio as a boy with autism.

THE CITADEL (1938)

Directed by King Vidor. Cast: Robert Donat, Rosalind Russell, Ralph Richardson, Rex Harrison, Emlyn Williams. A young doctor in a Welsh mining village runs up against the medical establishment when he tries to explore the cause of a cough disabling miners; he abandons his humanitarian goals for a London practice. Based on the novel by A.J. Cronin.