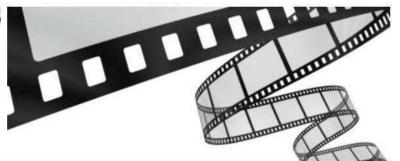
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Audience feedback: Spring in a Small Town

25 people voted. The breakdown and comments are listed below.

'Excellent': 3 votes

- In the context of China at that time (at war since 1937) this is truly a timeless classic. However, the absence of the orchestral score (as noted in the film notes) was very noticeable sections of complete silence; such as when Yuwen was trying to smash the door pane.
- Slow and beautiful. The composition of the scenes was wonderful.
- No One Fine Day Just Adagio Passion

'Very Good': 8 votes

- Loved how different this is from a modern film. So quiet at times totally silent, so subtle
 with stilted, formalised interactions which expressed so intensely the strong passions, anguish
 and heartache of their situation. Beautifully lit with great camera work & composition.
 Loved the softly-lit faces, the 2 silhouettes at the end. Not sure about the lyrics of the 2nd
 song what was that about the whip?
- Lovely, but quality of the film and sound detracted from effect.
- Beautifully paced and visually fascinating. A real surprise.
- It all felt a bit like a cold shower.
- Good to see an old fashioned theme back again! Not for the modern mind.
- And the Cultural Revolution was still to come! Beautifully shot even with the jumpy camera work. Innocence personified, in some ways.

'Good': 3 votes

- A film with 5 characters is always going to be like... 'Drama' = theatre! Within, clearly, the conventions of theatre what was allowed, the 'drama' was maintained!
- The narration really made it.

'Satisfactory': 3 votes

- Interesting strange eye movements!
- Far too long. Just nothing happening, we all dozed off!!

'Poor': 6 votes

• Yes, it might be nearly 70 years old and made in China, but how could this be described as a classic? Hammy acting, banal script, thin plot. Compares very poorly with British and American films of the era.

- I didn't notice "Spring"! God. Quite hard to endure. They were a miserable lot, weren't they?
- 93 minutes of my life I will never get back!
- Tooo Slow! Sometimes films are best left undigitalised!
- Boring.

2 comment submitted without a vote:

- Words fail me
- Painful!!

Based on the above, the film had an overall score of 2.96.