

Casablanca

-1942 is a 1942 American romantic drama film directed by Michael Curtiz.

-This film is set during World War II- and it focuses on a man torn between love and virtue. He had to choose between his love for a woman and helping Czech Resistance leader husband escape the Vichy controlled Moroccan city of Casablanca to continue his fight against the Nazis.

-A-list film with established stars and first rate writers

The song "As Time Goes By" by Herman Hupfeld had been part of the story from the original play; Steiner wanted to write his own composition to replace it, but Bergman had already cut her hair short for her next role (María in *For Whom the Bell Tolls*) and could not shoot the scenes which incorporated the song, so Steiner based the entire score on it and "La Marseillaise", the French national anthem, transforming them to reflect changing moods.

-Particularly notable is the "duel of the songs" between Strasser and Laszlo at Rick's cafe

Costuming was great, soundtrack(Max Steiner) was well done,