Movies with Deaf Characters or use ASL

Some ASL/Deaf-related movies you may enjoy. Note: Some may be unavailable in your area.

1. Through Deaf Eyes (historical documentary): [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tJeAG8tZyf4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tJeAG8tZyf4&fbclid=IwAR2h3seOQ1uZVQJ6IdhIihLC-rP0MFLwqywZRepSJeTjEDcvaZAyhhxa4Cs)

2. For A Deaf Son (documentary): [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SCzl4kuWLw0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SCzl4kuWLw0&fbclid=IwAR3X9cjzQQtFscnQr75UXgpw9bPT8wXAHgUZSZSEFwXS8cB_3HRDF_7KZbI)

3. In the Land of the Deaf (documentary) ($2 rental): [https://www.amazon.com/Land-Deaf-Jean.../dp/B00B99RGWG/](https://www.amazon.com/Land-Deaf-Jean-Claude-Poulain/dp/B00B99RGWG/?fbclid=IwAR2iXNQ-n1ZWFenV6Xn7kdv5LOBS9yKk3hOPUoLx6atEqW5AoO3t6qPYLsg)

4. And Your Name is Jonah ( movie) ($2.99 rental): <https://amzn.to/2Sdzisv>

5. Sound and Fury (controversial documentary) ($2.99 rental): <https://amzn.to/3bJaCiD>

aSL Closed Captions available, but not the best): [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nb-zKebd5us](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DNb-zKebd5us%26fbclid%3DIwAR1Qziz5A5_7Gln-uvm6H_3aGdrzYokbrPeN6RxESSx47PQPz2MuFLy7rAs&h=AT2w3CYSlZhC66GQihT3Nf9y44-_QZkCwFoAuhEWXtF86qKQ6RePT5IoMjOKqFcARJb1RZTBq-KfYIQvMp5GS43m1GG7E7q0Hhd-fPIxYg1HSB7W5bx4d3qVdefSr7FmdQ&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3Pv8I1HLQNa5HPOe99wYqY9Pp08ldjcOTfhhym6BpxQe8-KHmNsjBw49BN3arJ7RkHSCsMZqB8o7c5Mh7qeqA3UZhOMMzDAEgNjghdgsm5FuvzgxdqVXi62fcmRsHW9ThNqlBVGORJfFljY_bWS093h3P25fjWry8)

6. Mosdeux - The Deaf Family (12 part comedy mini-series): [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r1uuntQOPnw](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3Dr1uuntQOPnw%26fbclid%3DIwAR2qYDCt6b20ZPRAcfVyabnEonfMAkQBv_x0x6ZQLAbjBS1OisHKEXJdPb4&h=AT2LAz1P3npTMq_4d5J-TA_G8CJmYZG6QRyERV88i3jyaxUu4dPvIROx6j52_U6xsm27cWlqHQsE4K6Uv3IdzEwZdKdkXVeW0pTknOUIgmvs5AKd9T0mZVLMNIuw_g3ZHA&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3Pv8I1HLQNa5HPOe99wYqY9Pp08ldjcOTfhhym6BpxQe8-KHmNsjBw49BN3arJ7RkHSCsMZqB8o7c5Mh7qeqA3UZhOMMzDAEgNjghdgsm5FuvzgxdqVXi62fcmRsHW9ThNqlBVGORJfFljY_bWS093h3P25fjWry8)

7. Children of a Lesser God ( movie) ($3.99 rental): <https://amzn.to/2Sj7rXN>

8. Keith Wann's "My Experience Different" - Stand-Up Sign Language Comedy ($2.99 rental): <https://amzn.to/3oDV9We>

9. No Ordinary Hero (family movie) (free on Netflix, free on Amazon Prime Video): [https://www.amazon.com/No-Ordinary-Hero.../dp/B013DS37QE/](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.amazon.com%2FNo-Ordinary-Hero-John-Maucere%2Fdp%2FB013DS37QE%2F%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR3sLau-6zWe5lHHteg-ErmeeY2XQHTGv0kZ-O3vlLg9mtR_OHLd4inM5-M&h=AT2B-wafhSAC2rmLC7HKpWpB-G3JxZJH7NrZfxQjSF7BaKFXFSWE1_bg1qPdnA9sixRHRU4JonB0TU3J5VTU9C3K1J7_eQqPPs_aNqMB0DCGE9FyCMlyyZ-rFnQAuD0-JA&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3Pv8I1HLQNa5HPOe99wYqY9Pp08ldjcOTfhhym6BpxQe8-KHmNsjBw49BN3arJ7RkHSCsMZqB8o7c5Mh7qeqA3UZhOMMzDAEgNjghdgsm5FuvzgxdqVXi62fcmRsHW9ThNqlBVGORJfFljY_bWS093h3P25fjWry8)

10. R.E.M's Film Night at the Deaf Movies (comedy): [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gMqaUvv1i38](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DgMqaUvv1i38%26fbclid%3DIwAR2irKREA8B2qI3lEjSmGEMkr7Rg0jJo2_qQb2z0-_XOIZPf0i4HThmhcuo&h=AT0eLWicMiUGUpntVrK02-OnpxWmKwjS9KJmyD2sDpvoaS7eg4oB-ujeqP1FY9mCnYlukoGfKDvzUtl1Setli4ulG3cdCdRBbeMJWRmya6l3jFV7pmW5mmPA33Pt5JbEAA&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3Pv8I1HLQNa5HPOe99wYqY9Pp08ldjcOTfhhym6BpxQe8-KHmNsjBw49BN3arJ7RkHSCsMZqB8o7c5Mh7qeqA3UZhOMMzDAEgNjghdgsm5FuvzgxdqVXi62fcmRsHW9ThNqlBVGORJfFljY_bWS093h3P25fjWry8)

A couple of shorter videos you might enjoy for fun:

1. The Silent Killer (A British Sign Language production): [https://vimeo.com/54083347](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fvimeo.com%2F54083347%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR2irKREA8B2qI3lEjSmGEMkr7Rg0jJo2_qQb2z0-_XOIZPf0i4HThmhcuo&h=AT25UMVPzFfhRFDXu0D4ZC0JPHaGBq-Eo30FjR16LxSueE0Dk-fFuXmO7eS-lnAqyeSEKQBuwgurtTAgjHNmtK2cJzS4E2ZayeAU7aVTZFxQ-tjwuRMoy4lSb4LfXMj59Q&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3Pv8I1HLQNa5HPOe99wYqY9Pp08ldjcOTfhhym6BpxQe8-KHmNsjBw49BN3arJ7RkHSCsMZqB8o7c5Mh7qeqA3UZhOMMzDAEgNjghdgsm5FuvzgxdqVXi62fcmRsHW9ThNqlBVGORJfFljY_bWS093h3P25fjWry8)

2. Gallaudet: The Film (Promotional video for Gallaudet University, shot with a 5K camera): [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VmXtio32gms](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fwatch%3Fv%3DVmXtio32gms%26fbclid%3DIwAR1Wm8hFk53ssP0JRWnHvoTFslHKr2dQgUMdPrAVC_IDd8B6HD-5HYULfaA&h=AT23jHuebe0jTAsY6ffBocaNQVpeoIdU7IalL9WZVrlf97KzVcKSavjYA8P5WyiPe0x7x8qtjGqwTqit1WuUEIKbOBzg02dys4vslYD3qKQ9K6-N3CsW65M6W1BAUvpoqg&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3Pv8I1HLQNa5HPOe99wYqY9Pp08ldjcOTfhhym6BpxQe8-KHmNsjBw49BN3arJ7RkHSCsMZqB8o7c5Mh7qeqA3UZhOMMzDAEgNjghdgsm5FuvzgxdqVXi62fcmRsHW9ThNqlBVGORJfFljY_bWS093h3P25fjWry8)

3. I also encourage you to watch Switched at Birth episodes (available on Netflix), especially Season 2, episode 9 (which is an all ASL episode), but most of the show is not really accurately reflective of Deaf culture in general so watch with "a grain of salt."

4. "Sue Thomas: F.B. Eye" (available on [Feeln.com](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2FFeeln.com%2F%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR3TP2IKRmv65M6YZdMeoff-mDI-jB2G3IBKHE7_8eTLfFy7XROah_jm8Ak&h=AT2jy9e1uKlLtL2OwnCRkzkhRa-R3cHCHhnMTD0fqeW5lr_Z0n2de8opiJ4vgwdsMS9YqLnpUAVLUl8fPDZmdqNIGuvEie1q5z-5g--0TLL1ugVElWKaozRNW8Vru5SM7A&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3Pv8I1HLQNa5HPOe99wYqY9Pp08ldjcOTfhhym6BpxQe8-KHmNsjBw49BN3arJ7RkHSCsMZqB8o7c5Mh7qeqA3UZhOMMzDAEgNjghdgsm5FuvzgxdqVXi62fcmRsHW9ThNqlBVGORJfFljY_bWS093h3P25fjWry8) for around $2.99 - $5/month subscription), which much more accurately portrays the frustrations and hardships of being a Deaf person working in a hearing world. I still think it is impossible for anyone to lipread with as much accuracy as Deanne Bray's character does on the show, but the show is also based on a real life person named Sue Thomas, who did work for the FBI.

5. (The real Sue Thomas) talking about her experiences in the FBI (free with Amazon Prime) : [https://www.amazon.com/Sue-Thomas-Nothing.../dp/B00RGG3O5Y/](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.amazon.com%2FSue-Thomas-Nothing-But-Truth%2Fdp%2FB00RGG3O5Y%2F%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR0Gx09iEVWexIrfFMa7n1UBn2OviFQ3VZV0nFkSf6DlM9oDg3jVqomJybw&h=AT0PFJtZbBdTaiOxVG2NPCFSa_H5CXyVpK3KC3-5ANPH31bWes5W1NbznUrKYh5hVKPuXOk54pMKAT5WLVK8RyDwDnIWojMNJU_XGAJKnrJJYQrTYI4rNKRcGU1t1FJjUg&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3Pv8I1HLQNa5HPOe99wYqY9Pp08ldjcOTfhhym6BpxQe8-KHmNsjBw49BN3arJ7RkHSCsMZqB8o7c5Mh7qeqA3UZhOMMzDAEgNjghdgsm5FuvzgxdqVXi62fcmRsHW9ThNqlBVGORJfFljY_bWS093h3P25fjWry8)

Some more movies that are available only on DVD:

- "The Hammer" (based on the true life story of Matt Hamill, retired Deaf UFC fighter) - <https://amzn.to/3f4pAlb>

- "Versa Effect" (ASL Films - This movie is like "Freaky Friday") - <https://amzn.to/3yrai1A>

- "Universal Signs" (A sad but sweet love story) - <https://amzn.to/3wqjphm>

- Audism Unveiled (I feel that this is a "must-see" movie for anyone wanting to understand the Deaf perspective better) - <https://amzn.to/3uaIFXl>

You may find many more movies that have Deaf characters or use ASL, but I didn’t list them for 2 major reasons: They were very minor roles, or the actors were hearing, not Deaf. Read my article that explains more - <https://vocal.media/geeks/the-deaf-role-in-movies>