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# FORM S-3 Registration Statement

Under the Securities Act of 1933

# National CineMedia, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

20-5665602 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per                    |                               |  |   |                               |
| share   | 69,543,579 shares             | \$13.56(2)   | \$943,010,931.24(2)                             | \$109,577.87(3)               |

- (1) Represents the number of shares of Common Stock included in this Registration Statement that are currently issuable upon exchange of National CineMedia, LLC's common membership units held by the founding member theatre circuits named as selling stockholders in the prospectus supplement at the ratio of one common membership unit for one share of Common Stock of National CineMedia, Inc. Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act, the shares being registered hereunder include such indeterminate number of shares of Common Stock as may be issuable with respect to the shares being registered hereunder as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457 under the Securities Act. The price per share and aggregate offering price are based on the average of the high and low sales prices of the registrant's Common Stock on December 9, 2014, as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Market.
- (3) Pursuant to Rule 457(p), \$120,707.34 of the registration fee has been paid by offsetting registration fees that were previously paid in connection with the registrant's prior registration statements on Form S-3 (SEC File Nos. 333-162933, 333-168645 and 333-176055) associated with unsold securities.

#### **PROSPECTUS**

#### 69,543,579 Shares

## National CineMedia, Inc.

### **Common Stock**

This prospectus relates to the disposition from time to time by our founding member theatre circuits, or the selling stockholders, of up to 69,543,579 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of National CineMedia, Inc., or NCM, Inc., issuable upon exchange on a one-for-one basis of common membership units of National CineMedia, LLC, or NCM LLC, the operating company for our business and of which we are a member and the sole manager. Under the terms of the registration rights agreement with the selling stockholders executed at the date of the IPO, NCM Inc. is required to register shares of its common stock equal to the number of NCM LLC common membership units held by each selling stockholder.

The selling stockholders hold an aggregate of 69,543,579 common membership units that were issued in conjunction with our IPO and thereafter pursuant to contractual arrangements in effect among NCM, Inc., NCM LLC and the selling stockholders relating to net screens that have been added to our network. We have registered for resale by our selling stockholders NCM, Inc. common stock equal to all of the current outstanding common membership units as required by the registration rights agreement.

We will not pay any underwriting discounts or commissions on the shares of common stock issued to the selling stockholders. We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of common stock by the selling stockholders.

Our common stock trades on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "NCMI." On December 12, 2014, the reported last sale price of our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market was \$13.42 per share.

The selling stockholders or their pledgees, assignees or successors-in-interest may offer and sell or otherwise dispose of the shares of common stock described in this prospectus from time to time through public or private transactions at prevailing market prices, at prices related to prevailing market prices or at privately negotiated prices. See "Plan of Distribution" beginning on page 8 for more information about how the selling stockholders may sell or dispose of their shares of common stock.

The selling stockholders may resell the common stock to or through underwriters, broker-dealers or agents, who may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions. The selling stockholders will bear all commissions and discounts, if any, attributable to the sales of common stock. We will bear all costs, expenses and fees in connection with the registration of the common stock.

Investing in our common stock involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 4 of this prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is December 15, 2014.

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#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, using a "shelf" registration or continuous offering process. Under this shelf process, the selling stockholders may from time to time sell the shares of common stock described in this prospectus in one or more offerings. Additionally, under the shelf process, in certain circumstances, we may provide a prospectus supplement that will contain certain specific information about the terms of a particular offering by one or more of the selling stockholders. This prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement, including the documents incorporated by reference, include important information about us, our common stock and other information you should know before investing in our common stock. We may also provide a prospectus supplement to add information to, or update or change information contained in this prospectus.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference into this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement. We have not, and the selling stockholders have not, authorized anyone to provide you with different or additional information. The selling stockholders are offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, shares of our common stock only in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information in this prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference, are accurate only as of the date set forth on the front of this prospectus or the date of the document incorporated by reference, as applicable, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or any sale of our common stock.

#### MARKET INFORMATION

Information regarding market share, market position and industry data pertaining to our business contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement consists of estimates based on data and reports compiled by industry professional organizations (including Nielsen Media Research, Inc. and the National Association of Theatre Owners) and analysts, and our knowledge of our revenues and markets. Designated Market Areas® and DMA® is a registered trademark of Nielsen Media Research, Inc.

#### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere or incorporated by reference into this prospectus. Because it is a summary, it does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in our securities. You should read this entire prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement carefully, including the section entitled "Risk Factors" and the documents that we incorporate by reference, before making an investment decision.

*In this document, unless the context otherwise requires:* 

- "NCM, Inc.," "the Company," "we," "us" or "our" refer to National CineMedia, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and its consolidated subsidiary National CineMedia, LLC.
- "NCM LLC" refers to National CineMedia, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which commenced operations on April 1, 2005, and is the current operating company for our business, which NCM, Inc. acquired an interest in, and became a member and the sole manager of, upon completion of our initial public offering, or "IPO," which closed on February 13, 2007.
- "AMC" refers to AMC Entertainment Inc. and its subsidiaries, National Cinema Network, Inc., or "NCN," which contributed assets used in the operations of NCM LLC and formed NCM LLC in March 2005, AMC ShowPlace Theatres, Inc., which joined NCM LLC in June 2010 in connection with AMC's acquisition of Kerasotes ICON Theatres and American Multi-Cinema, Inc., and is party to an ESA with NCM LLC.
- "Cinemark" refers to Cinemark Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries, Cinemark Media, Inc., which joined NCM LLC in July 2005, and Cinemark USA, Inc., and is party to an ESA with NCM LLC.
- "Regal" refers to Regal Entertainment Group and its subsidiaries, Regal CineMedia Corporation, or "RCM," which contributed assets used in the operations of NCM LLC, Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC, which formed NCM LLC in March 2005, and Regal Cinemas, Inc., and is party to an ESA with NCM LLC.
- "ESAs" refers to the amended and restated exhibitor services agreements entered into by NCM LLC with each of NCM LLC's founding members upon completion of the IPO, which were further amended and restated on December 26, 2013 in connection with the sale of the Fathom Events business.
- "Founding members" refers to AMC, Cinemark and Regal.
- "OIBDA" refers to consolidated net income plus income tax expense, interest and other non-operating costs and depreciation and amortization expense.
- "Adjusted OIBDA" excludes from OIBDA non-cash share based payment costs.
- "Adjusted OIBDA margin" is calculated by dividing Adjusted OIBDA by total revenue.

#### **Business of National CineMedia, Inc.**

#### The Company

NCM, Inc. is a Delaware corporation and began operations on February 13, 2007 upon completion of its IPO. NCM, Inc. is a holding company that manages its consolidated subsidiary NCM LLC, but has no business operations or material assets other than its cash and ownership interest of approximately 45.8% of the common membership units in NCM LLC as of September 25, 2014. NCM LLC's founding members, AMC, Cinemark and Regal, the three largest motion picture exhibition companies in the U.S., hold the remaining 54.2% of NCM LLC's common membership units. NCM, Inc.'s primary source of cash flow from operations is distributions from NCM LLC pursuant to the NCM LLC operating agreement. NCM, Inc. also receives management fees pursuant to a management services agreement with NCM LLC in exchange for providing specific management services to NCM LLC.

NCM LLC has long-term ESAs with NCM LLC's founding members and multi-year agreements with several other theatre operators whom we refer to as network affiliates, which have terms of three to twenty years. The ESAs and network affiliate agreements grant NCM LLC exclusive rights in their theatres, subject to limited exceptions, to sell advertising.

The common unit adjustment agreement with the founding members of NCM LLC provides a mechanism for adjusting common membership units held by the founding members, based on increases or decreases in the number of screens operated by each founding member. Increases in the number of screens are included in the unit adjustment if arising from acquisition of a theatre or opening of a newly constructed theatre, except that acquired theatres subject to an agreement with an alternative cinema advertising provider will not be included until certain run out payments are made to NCM LLC by the founding member acquiring the theatre pursuant to its ESA or until such third party cinema advertising agreement expires and the theatre is added to our network. Decreases in the number of screens are included in the unit adjustment if arising from disposition of a theatre, unless the purchaser or sublessee enters into an agreement with NCM LLC similar to the ESA, the theatre is closed at the end of its lease term or a non-digitized theatre is closed within three years of the end of its lease term.

#### **Overview of the Business**

We operate the largest digital in-theatre media network in North America, through which we sell in-theatre and online advertising and promotions. Our advertising pre-show called "FirstLook" and lobby entertainment network, or LEN, programming are distributed across our digital content network, or DCN, utilizing our proprietary digital content software, or DCS.

We currently derive revenue principally from advertising activities whereby we develop, produce, sell and distribute several versions of FirstLook on theatre screens, and advertising programming on our LEN. We also sell other forms of advertising and promotions in theater lobbies and across our online network and mobile apps, including our app called Movie Night Out®.

We believe that the reach and digital delivery capability of our network provide an effective platform for national and local advertisers to reach a large, young and affluent audience on a highly-targeted, engaging and measurable basis. As of September 25, 2014, our theater advertising network covered 183 Designated Market Areas® (49 of the top 50) and includes over 20,000 screens (approximately 19,200 connected to our Digital Content Network). Approximately 96% of the aggregate founding member and network affiliate theatre attendance is generated by theatres connected to our DCN (882 screens receive advertisements on thumb drives) and 100% of the *FirstLook* pre-show is projected on digital projectors (85% digital cinema projectors and 15% LCD projectors). During 2013, over 710 million patrons (on an annualized basis) attended movies shown in theaters in which NCM currently has exclusive cinema advertising agreements in place.

### **Corporate Information**

We are a Delaware corporation organized on October 5, 2006, and our principal executive offices are located at 9110 E. Nichols Ave., Suite 200, Centennial, Colorado 80112-3405. The telephone number of our principal executive offices is (303) 792-3600. We maintain a website at <a href="https://www.ncm.com">www.ncm.com</a>, on which we post our key corporate governance documents, including our board committee charters and our code of ethics. We also regularly post information about the Company on the Investor Relations page. We do not incorporate the information on our website into this prospectus and you should not consider any information on, or that can be accessed through, our website as part of this prospectus.

The Offering

Issuer National CineMedia, Inc.

Selling Stockholders The selling stockholders identified on page 6 or in a subsequent prospectus supplement.

Securities Offered Up to 69,543,579 shares of our common stock.

Use of Proceeds We will not receive any proceeds from sales of the shares of common stock sold from time to

time under this prospectus by the selling stockholders. The shares will be issued upon an exchange of common membership units, which will increase the ownership of NCM, Inc. in

NCM LLC.

Risk Factors An investment in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. The "Risk Factors" section

beginning on page 4 contains a discussion of factors that you should carefully read and

consider before deciding to invest in shares of our common stock.

Nasdaq Global Select Market Symbol NCMI.

#### RISK FACTORS

Ownership of and an investment in our common stock involve certain risks. You should consider carefully the risks incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement, including the risks described under the captions "Risks Related to our Business and Industry" and "Risks Related to Our Corporate Structure," included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 26, 2013, subsequent "Risk Factors" included in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and other information included and incorporated by reference into this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement, including our historical financial statements and related notes, in evaluating an investment in our common stock. The information incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement may be amended, supplemented or superseded from time to time by other reports we file with the SEC in the future. For a description of these reports and documents, and information about where you can find them, see the sections entitled "Where You Can Find More Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference" in this prospectus. The risks and uncertainties described in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement or the documents incorporated by reference herein actually occur, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected in a material way. This could cause the trading price of our common stock to decline, perhaps significantly, and you may lose part or all of your investment.

#### INFORMATION REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

In addition to historical information, some of the information in this prospectus includes "forward-looking statements." All statements other than statements of historical facts included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus, including, without limitation, certain statements under "Business," "Risk Factors," and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," may constitute forward-looking statements which may use specific words, including but not limited to "may," "will," "should," "expects," "forecast," "project," "intend," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "potential" or "continue" or the negative of those words and other comparable words. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, assumptions and other factors, including, but not limited to, the following:

- · changes in the ESAs or lack of support by the founding members;
- non-competition provisions of the ESAs being deemed unenforceable;
- bankruptcy of one of the founding members;
- · national, regional and local economic conditions that may affect the markets in which we operate;
- the levels of expenditures on advertising in general and cinema advertising in particular;
- increased competition within the overall advertising industry;
- technological changes and innovations, including three dimensional ("3D"), digital cinema, alternative methods for delivering movies to consumers and failures or disruptions of our technology systems;
- failure to effectively manage or continue our growth;
- the popularity of major motion picture releases and level of theatre attendance, including at founding members' theatres;

- failure to retain our senior management;
- · shifts in population and other demographics;
- · infringement of our technology on intellectual property rights owned by others;
- our ability to renew expiring advertising contracts at favorable rates, or to replace them with new contracts that are comparably favorable to us;
- our need for, and ability to obtain, additional funding for acquisitions and operations;
- the founding members ability to compete with us, influence our affairs and benefit from corporate opportunities that might otherwise be available to us;
- risks and uncertainties relating to our significant indebtedness and investments, including the availability and adequacy of cash flows to meet our debt service requirements, and any other indebtedness that we may incur in the future;
- fluctuations in operating costs, capital expenditures, revenue and Adjusted OIBDA;
- future issuance of membership units by NCM LLC or issuance of preferred stock;
- determination that NCM, Inc. or any of the founding members is an investment company;
- determination that any amount of our tax benefits under the tax receivable agreement should not have been available and we cannot recoup from our founding members due to insolvency or bankruptcy;
- changes in market interest rates and our stock prices; and
- other factors described under "Risk Factors" or elsewhere in this prospectus.

On November 3, 2014, the Department of Justice filed an antitrust lawsuit seeking to enjoin the proposed merger between NCM, Inc. and Screenvision (the "DOJ Action"). Additional risk factors related to the proposed merger and DOJ Action include the following:

- the DOJ Action has delayed, and could ultimately, prevent the consummation of the merger;
- delays in completing the merger have delayed, and could continue to delay, the benefits expected to be achieved thereunder;
- if NCM, Inc. is unsuccessful in its defense of the merger, it may be required to make a termination payment of \$28.8 million, which could adversely impact NCM, Inc.'s stock price and would adversely impact NCM, Inc.'s liquidity and financial condition;
- a continued delay or failure to ultimately consummate the merger could materially and adversely affect our future business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects;
- the pending merger, the DOJ Action and our current pre-merger integration planning efforts may divert resources from our management's day-to-day operations and ongoing efforts related to other strategies and initiatives;
- the integration of the businesses of NCM LLC and Screenvision may be more difficult, costly or time consuming than expected, and the merger may not result in any or all of the anticipated benefits, including cost synergies; and

consummation of the merger will require the Company to incur significant additional indebtedness, which could adversely impact our financial
condition and may hinder our ability to obtain additional financing and pursue other business and investment opportunities.

This list of factors that may affect future performance and the accuracy of forward-looking statements are illustrative and not exhaustive. Our actual results, performance or achievements could differ materially from those indicated in these statements as a result of additional factors as more fully discussed under "Risk Factors" above.

All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or to persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements. We disclaim any intention or obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable securities laws.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The proceeds from the sale or other disposition of the common stock covered by this prospectus are solely for the accounts of the selling stockholders. We will not receive any proceeds from any sale or other disposition of these shares of common stock by the selling stockholders.

#### **DETERMINATION OF OFFERING PRICE**

This offering is being made solely to allow the selling stockholders to offer and sell shares of our common stock to the public. The selling stockholders may offer for sale some of their shares at the time and price that they choose. On any given day, the price per share is likely to be based on the market price of our common stock, as quoted on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on the date of sale, unless shares are sold in private transactions. Consequently, we cannot currently determine the price at which the shares offered for resale pursuant to this prospectus may be sold.

# SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

Each of the selling stockholders is a founding member of NCM LLC, our operating company subsidiary. Regal and AMC formed NCM LLC in March 29, 2005. On July 15, 2005, Cinemark joined NCM LLC as the third founding member. In February 2007, as part of a reorganization related to our IPO, NCM LLC issued an aggregate of 51,850,951 common membership units to the selling stockholders. Pursuant to the common unit adjustment agreement among us, NCM LLC and the founding members or certain of their affiliates, the founding members may be issued additional common membership units or surrender common membership units from time to time, depending on changes in the numbers of theatre screens operated by each founding member. As of the date of this prospectus, an aggregate of 32,427,737 additional common membership units have been issued to the founding members since our IPO due to positive common unit adjustments, and 1,479,638 common membership units have been surrendered to NCM LLC by the founding members due to negative common unit adjustments. In 2010, an aggregate of 10,955,471 common membership units were redeemed by two of the founding members in exchange for shares of our common stock, which were then sold by those founding members in exchange for shares of our common stock, which were then sold by the founding members in exchange for shares of our common stock, which were then sold by the founding members in exchange for shares of our common stock, which were then sold by the founding members in exchange for shares of our common stock, which were then sold by the founding member in secondary offerings to public shareholders.

The common membership units were issued as "restricted securities" under the Securities Act and are subject to certain restrictions on transfer under NCM LLC's operating agreement. The common membership units held by the founding members can be exchanged for our common stock on a one-to-one basis, except if we exercise

our option to exchange the common membership units for cash. This prospectus covers the offer and sale or other disposition by the selling stockholders of 69,543,579 shares of common stock issuable to such selling stockholders upon exchange of the common membership units.

We have registered the above-referenced shares to permit each of the selling stockholders and their pledgees, donees, transferees or other successors-ininterest that, after the date of this prospectus, receive shares of common stock to resell or otherwise dispose of the shares.

The selling stockholders may exchange some, all or none of their common membership units for shares of common stock (subject to our option to exchange units for cash). As part of the original agreement with the selling stockholders at the time of the IPO, we have agreed to use reasonable best efforts to keep a registration statement effective for each selling stockholder until the earlier of (a) such time as all the shares owned by the selling stockholder as a consequence of their exchange and conversion of the common membership units have been disposed of by the selling stockholder or (b) all such shares may be sold by the selling stockholder in reliance on Rule 144 without restriction. We have registered for resale by the founding members' common stock equal to all of the current outstanding common membership units as required by the registration rights agreement executed at the date of the IPO.

Since the formation of NCM LLC, AMC, Regal and Cinemark have been parties to ESAs (as amended from time to time) with NCM LLC, which govern the terms by which NCM LLC provides advertising, in the theatres of the founding members and their affiliates. We and the founding members are also party to a software license agreement related to our provision of services under the ESAs. Pursuant to a director designation agreement dated February 13, 2007, between us and the founding members, so long as a founding member owns at least 5% of NCM LLC's issued and outstanding common membership units, such founding member will have the right to designate a total of two nominees to our ten-member board of directors, who are voted upon by our stockholders. If a founding member's director designee is not elected, then NCM LLC's operating agreement provides that each of the founding members with at least 5% of NCM LLC's issued and outstanding common membership units has approval rights for certain NCM LLC actions. The operating agreement also provides for mandatory distributions from NCM LLC to its members (the founding members and us). Additionally, for as long as a founding member beneficially owns at least 5% of NCM LLC's issued and outstanding common membership units, our certificate of incorporation provides that supermajority voting is required on certain of our board actions and actions we, in our capacity as sole manager of NCM LLC, may authorize NCM LLC to take. A tax receivable agreement between us and the founding members provides for our payment of certain tax savings to the founding members. We are also party to a joint defense agreement with the founding members, as well as a registration rights agreement, which pertains to the registration of shares issuable in exchange for NCM LLC common membership units, as contemplated in this prospectus. On December 26, 2013, NCM LLC sold the Fathom Events business to AC JV, LLC, owned 32% by each of the founding members and 4% by us, and received a total of \$25.0 million in promissory notes from our founding members (one-third or approximately \$8.3 million from each founding member). In connection with this transaction, NCM LLC amended and restated the ESAs with each of the founding members to remove the provisions related to the transferred Fathom Events business, and also entered into a transition services agreement and a services agreement with AC JV, LLC.

The following table sets forth the name of each selling stockholder, the number of shares of our common stock beneficially owned (through redemption rights associated with the common membership units) by each selling stockholder, the number of shares that may be offered under this prospectus and the number of shares of our common stock to be owned by each selling stockholder after this offering is completed. The number of shares in the column "Number of Shares Being Offered" represents all of the shares that a selling stockholder may offer under this prospectus. Information regarding any position, office or other material relationship which any selling stockholder has had with us within the past three years is described above. For additional information regarding relationships between us and the selling stockholders, see "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" in our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on March 19, 2014, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

As of the date of this prospectus, the selling stockholders do not hold any shares of our common stock, but rather hold common membership units in NCM LLC. Under the limited liability company agreement for NCM LLC, the selling stockholders have the right to redeem their membership units for, at our election, cash or common stock.

Beneficial ownership of a security is determined in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. Under these rules, a person is deemed to beneficially own a share of our common stock if that person has or shares voting power or investment power with respect to that share, or has the right to acquire beneficial ownership of that share within 60 days, including through the exercise of any option or other right or the conversion of any other security. Shares issuable under stock options and warrants not subject to this offering are deemed outstanding for computing the percentage of the person holding options or warrants but are not deemed outstanding for computing the percentage of any other person. As of September 25, 2014, the percentage of beneficial ownership for the following table is based upon 58,746,988 shares of our common stock (excluding unvested restricted stock) outstanding of NCM, Inc. and 128,290,567 common membership units of NCM LLC outstanding, of which 58,746,988 are owned by NCM, Inc.

|  | Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to Offering (1) |            | Number                         | Shares Beneficially<br>Owned After Offering (2) |            |
|--|---|------------|--------------------------------|---|------------|
| Name   | Number<br>of Shares                             | % of Class | of Shares<br>Being Offered (1) | Number<br>of Shares                             | % of Class |
| American Multi-Cinema, Inc. and affiliates (3) | 19,194,501                                      | 24.6%      | 19,194,501                     |   |            |
| Cinemark Holdings, Inc. and affiliates (4)     | 24,556,136                                      | 29.5%      | 24,556,136                     | _   | _          |
| Regal Entertainment Group and affiliates (5)   | 25,792,942                                      | 30.5%      | 25,792,942                     | _   |            |
| TOTAL  | 69,543,579                                      | 54.2%      | 69,543,579                     |   |            |

- (1) Assumes redemption of all of the holder's common membership units into shares of common stock on a one-to-one basis.
- (2) Assumes all offered shares are sold and beneficial ownership of any additional shares or securities which are convertible or exchangeable into shares are not acquired. The registration of these shares does not necessarily mean that the selling stockholders will sell all or any portion of their shares covered by this prospectus.
- (3) Includes American Multi-Cinema, Inc., AMC Entertainment Inc. and AMC Entertainment Holdings, Inc. The address of these stockholders is One AMC Way, 11500 Ash Street, Leawood, Kansas 66211.
- (4) Includes Cinemark Holdings, Inc, Cinemark USA, Inc. and Cinemark Media, Inc. The address of these stockholders is 3900 Dallas Parkway, Suite 500, Plano, Texas 75093.
- (5) Includes Regal Entertainment Group, Regal Entertainment Holdings, Inc., Regal Cinemas, Corp., Regal Cinemas, Inc., Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC and Regal CineMedia Corp. at 7132 Regal Lane, Knoxville, Tennessee 37918 and Anschutz Company and Phillip F. Anschutz at 555 Seventeenth Street, Suite 2400, Denver, Colorado 80202.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The selling stockholders, which as used herein includes donees, pledgees, transferees or other successors-in-interest selling common membership units or shares received after the date of this prospectus from a selling stockholder as a gift, pledge, partnership distribution or other transfer, may, from time to time, sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any or all of their shares on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in private transactions. These dispositions may be at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at prices related to the prevailing market price, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices. The offering price of the shares from time to time will be determined by the selling stockholder and, at the time of determination, may be higher or lower than the market price of our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market.

The selling stockholders may use any one or more of the following methods from time to time when disposing of shares:

· ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;

- block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent, but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;
- privately negotiated transactions;
- · short sales effected after the date the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part is declared effective by the SEC;
- · through the writing or settlement of options or other hedging transactions, whether through an options exchange or otherwise;
- · broker-dealers may agree with the selling stockholders to sell a specified number of such shares at a stipulated price per share;
- a combination of any such methods of sale; or
- any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

The selling stockholders may also sell shares under Rule 144 under the Securities Act, if available, rather than under this prospectus. The selling stockholders are not obligated to, and there is no assurance that the selling stockholders will, sell all or any of the shares we are registering. The selling stockholders may transfer, devise or gift such shares by other means not described in this prospectus.

In connection with the sale of our shares, the selling stockholders may sell the shares directly or through broker-dealers acting as a principal or agent, or pursuant to a distribution by one or more underwriters on a firm commitment or best efforts basis. The selling stockholders may also enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions, which may in turn engage in short sales of the common stock in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The selling stockholders may also enter into option or other transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions or the creation of one or more derivative securities which require the delivery to such broker-dealer or other financial institution of shares offered by this prospectus, which shares such broker-dealer or other financial institution may resell pursuant to this prospectus (as supplemented or amended to reflect such transaction). The selling stockholders, broker-dealers or agents that participate in the sale of the common stock may be "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act. Any discounts, commissions, concessions or profit they earn on any resale of the shares may be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. Selling stockholders who are "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act.

The aggregate proceeds to each selling stockholder from the sale of the common stock offered by them will be the purchase price of the common stock less discounts or commissions, if any. Each of the selling stockholders reserves the right to accept and, together with their agents from time to time, to reject, in whole or in part, any proposed purchase of common stock to be made directly or through agents. We will not receive any of the proceeds from this offering.

Broker-dealers engaged by the selling stockholders may arrange for other brokers-dealers to participate in sales. Broker-dealers may receive commissions or discounts from the selling stockholders (or, if any broker-dealer acts as agent for the purchaser of shares, from the purchaser) in amounts to be negotiated. The selling stockholders do not expect these commissions and discounts to exceed what is customary in the types of transactions involved. Any profits on the resale of shares by a broker-dealer acting as principal might be deemed to be underwriting discounts or commissions under the Securities Act. Discounts, concessions, commissions and similar selling expenses, if any, attributable to the sale of shares will be borne by a selling stockholder. The selling stockholders may agree to indemnify any agent, dealer or broker-dealer that participates in transactions involving sales of the shares if liabilities are imposed on that person under the Securities Act.

Under the registration agreement, we are required to pay certain fees and expenses incurred by us incident to the registration of the shares. We have agreed to indemnify the selling stockholders against certain losses, claims, damages and liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. The selling stockholders have severally agreed to indemnify us against certain losses, claims, damages and liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

The selling stockholders may from time to time pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the shares owned by them and, if they default in the performance of any of their secured obligations, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell the shares from time to time under this prospectus as it may be supplemented from time to time, or under an amendment to this prospectus under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act amending the list of selling stockholders to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors in interest as selling stockholders under this prospectus.

To the extent required, the shares to be sold, the names of the selling stockholders, the respective purchase prices and public offering prices, the names of any agents, dealer or underwriter, any applicable commissions or discounts with respect to a particular offer will be set forth in a supplement to this prospectus or, if appropriate, a post-effective amendment to the registration statement that includes this prospectus.

In order to comply with the securities laws of some states, if applicable, the common stock may be sold in these jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, in some states the common stock may not be sold unless it has been registered or qualified for sale or an exemption from registration or qualification requirements is available and is complied with.

The anti-manipulation rules of Regulation M under the Exchange Act may apply to sales of shares in the market and to the activities of the founding members and their affiliates. In addition, we will make copies of this prospectus (as it may be supplemented or amended from time to time) available to the selling stockholders for the purpose of satisfying the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. The selling stockholders may indemnify any broker-dealer that participates in transactions involving the sale of the shares against certain liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act.

We have agreed with the selling stockholders to use reasonable best efforts to keep the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part effective until the earlier of (1) such time as all of the shares covered by this prospectus have been disposed of pursuant to and in accordance with the registration statement or (2) the date on which the shares may be sold pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act without restriction.

Upon our notification by a selling stockholder that any material arrangement has been entered into with an underwriter or broker-dealer for the sale of shares through a block trade, special offering, exchange distribution, secondary distribution or a purchase by an underwriter or broker-dealer, we will file a supplement to this prospectus, if required, pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act, disclosing certain material information, including:

- the name of the selling stockholder;
- the number of shares being offered;
- the terms of the offering;
- the names of the participating underwriters, broker-dealers or agents;
- any discounts, commissions or other compensation paid to underwriters or broker-dealers and any discounts, commission or concessions allowed or re-allowed or paid by any underwriters to dealers;
- · the public offering price; and

other material terms of the offering.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the common stock offered hereby will be passed on for us by Sherman and Howard, LLC, Denver, Colorado.

#### **EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements incorporated in this prospectus by reference from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file electronically with the Securities and Exchange Commission our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act. You can request copies of such documents by contacting our Investor Relations Department at National CineMedia, Inc., 9110 E. Nichols Avenue, Suite 200, Centennial, CO 80112-3405, calling 1-800-844-0935 or sending an email to investors@ncm.com. We also make available on or through our website, at www.ncm.com, free of charge, copies of these reports as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file or furnish it to the SEC.

Our website and the information contained therein or connected thereto shall not be deemed to be incorporated into this prospectus or the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, and you should not rely on any such information in making your decision whether to purchase our securities.

You may read and copy any document we file at the following location at the SEC:

100 F Street, N.E. Room 1580 Washington, D.C. 20549

You can also obtain copies of this information by mail from the Public Reference Room of the SEC, 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington D.C. 20549, at prescribed rates. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at (800) SEC-0330.

The SEC also maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information about issuers, like NCM Inc., that file electronically with the SEC. The address of that site is <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>.

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-3 that registers the securities the selling stockholders are offering. The registration statement, including the attached exhibits and schedules, contains additional relevant information about us and our securities. The rules and regulations of the SEC allow us to omit certain information included in the registration statement from this prospectus.

#### INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" information into this prospectus. This means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document filed separately with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus, except for any information that is superseded by information that is included directly in this document.

This prospectus includes by reference the documents listed below that we have previously filed with the SEC and that are not included in or delivered with this document. They contain important information about us and our financial condition.

- Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 26, 2013, filed with the SEC on February 21, 2014 (including the portions of our proxy statement for our 2014 annual meeting of stockholders incorporated by reference therein);
- Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 27, 2014, June 26, 2014 and September 25, 2014, filed with the SEC on May 6, 2014, August 5, 2014 and November 4, 2014, respectively;
- Our Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on December 31, 2013, January 3, 2014, January 22, 2014, February 28, 2014, March 7, 2014 (as amended by Form 8-K/A filed on October 30, 2014), March 17, 2014, May 5, 2014 (excluding portions furnished pursuant to Item 2.02), May 6, 2014, July 3, 2014, October 30, 2014, November 3, 2014 and November 3, 2014 (excluding portions furnished pursuant to Item 2.02), respectively; and
- The description of our common stock that is contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on February 5, 2007, including any amendment or reports filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents filed by us pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this prospectus and prior to the termination of this offering shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part of this prospectus from the date of filing of such documents, excluding any information furnished under Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of any Current Report on Form 8-K and exhibits furnished on such form that are related to such items. We also specifically incorporate by reference any documents filed by us with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of the initial registration statement and prior to the effectiveness of the registration statement. Any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

You can obtain any of the documents incorporated by reference in this document from us without charge, excluding any exhibits to those documents unless the exhibit is specifically incorporated by reference as an exhibit to this prospectus. You can obtain documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus by requesting them in writing or by telephone from us at the following address:

Investor Relations National CineMedia, Inc. 9110 East Nichols Avenue, Suite 200 Centennial, CO 80112-3405 1-800-844-0935

We have not, and the selling stockholders have not, authorized anyone to give any information or make any representation about us that is different from, or in addition to, that contained in this prospectus or in any of the

materials that we have incorporated by reference into this document. Therefore, if anyone does give you information of this sort, you should not rely on it. If you are in a jurisdiction where offers to sell, or solicitations of offers to purchase, the securities offered by this document are unlawful, or if you are a person to whom it is unlawful to direct these types of activities, then the offer presented in this document does not extend to you.



National CineMedia, Inc.

69,543,579 Shares of Common Stock

**PROSPECTUS** 

December 15, 2014

# PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

#### ITEM 14. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION.

The following table sets forth all expenses payable by the registrants in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities, other than underwriting discounts and commissions. The registrants will bear all of such expenses. All the amounts shown are estimates, except the registration fee.

| Registration fee             | \$109,577.87 |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Accounting fees and expenses | 20,000.00    |
| Legal fees and expenses      | 12,000.00    |
| Miscellaneous                | _            |
| Total                        | \$141,577.87 |

#### ITEM 15. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

Section 102 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL") grants us the power to limit the personal liability of our directors or our stockholders for monetary damages for breach of a fiduciary duty. Article Sixth of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation eliminates the personal liability of directors for monetary damages for actions taken as a director, except for liability for breach of duty of loyalty; for acts or omissions not in good faith or involving intentional misconduct or knowing violation of law; under Section 174 of the DGCL (unlawful dividends); or for transactions from which the director derived improper personal benefit.

Under Section 145 of the DGCL, a corporation has the power to indemnify directors and officers under certain prescribed circumstances against certain costs and expenses, actually and reasonably incurred in connection with any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, to which any of them is a party by reason of his being a director or officer of the corporation if it is determined that he acted in accordance with the applicable standard of conduct set forth in such statutory provision. Article VI of our Amended and Restated Bylaws requires us to indemnify any current or former directors or officers to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, and to pay expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition upon delivery to us of an undertaking, by or on behalf of an indemnified person, to repay all amounts so advanced if it should be determined ultimately that such person is not entitled to be indemnified under this section or otherwise. Article VI also permits us to indemnify any current or former employees or agents to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, and to pay expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition upon such terms and conditions, if any, as we deem appropriate.

Section 145 of the DGCL authorizes a corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation against any liability asserted against and incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person's status as such. As permitted by Section 145 and Section 6.08 of our Amended and Restated Bylaws, we carry insurance policies insuring our directors and officers against certain liabilities that they may incur in their capacity as directors and officers.

We have entered into separate indemnification agreements with each of our directors and officers, which may be broader than the specific indemnification provisions contained in the DGCL. These indemnification agreements may require us, among other things, to indemnify our directors and officers against liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors or officers, other than liabilities arising from willful misconduct. These indemnification agreements may also require us to advance any expenses incurred by the directors or officers as a result of any proceeding against them as to which they could be indemnified and to obtain directors' and officers' insurance, if available on reasonable terms.

The indemnification rights set forth above shall not be exclusive of any other right which an indemnified person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or Amended and Restated Bylaws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

# ITEM 16. EXHIBITS.

| Exhibit No. | Description   |
|-------------|---|
| 4.1         | Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. (1)  |
| 4.2         | Amended and Restated Bylaws. (2)  |
| 4.3         | National CineMedia, LLC Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Operating Agreement dated as of February 13, 2007, by and among American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Cinemark Media, Inc., Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC and National CineMedia, Inc. (3)  |
| 4.4         | First Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Operating Agreement of National CineMedia, LLC dated as of March 16, 2009, by and among American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Cinemark Media, Inc., Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC and National CineMedia, Inc. (4)   |
| 4.5         | Second Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Operating Agreement of National CineMedia, LLC dated as of August 6, 2010, by and among American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Cinemark Media, Inc., Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC and National CineMedia, Inc. (5)  |
| 4.6         | Third Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Operating Agreement of National CineMedia, LLC, dated as of September 3, 2013, by and among American Multi-Cinema, Inc., AMC Showplace Theatres, Inc., Cinemark Media, Inc., Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC, Regal Cinemas, Inc. and National CineMedia, Inc. (6)  |
| 4.7         | Common Unit Adjustment Agreement dated as of February 13, 2007, by and among National CineMedia, Inc., National CineMedia, LLC, Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC, American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Cinemark Media, Inc., Regal Cinemas, Inc. and Cinemark USA, Inc. (Confidential treatment granted as to certain portions, which portions were omitted and filed separately with the Commission.) (7) |
| 4.8         | Director Designation Agreement dated as of February 13, 2007, by and among National CineMedia, Inc., American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Cinemark Media, Inc. and Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC (8)  |
| 4.9         | Registration Rights Agreement dated as of February 13, 2007, by and among National CineMedia, Inc., American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC and Cinemark Media, Inc. (9)   |
| 5.1         | Opinion of Sherman and Howard, LLC.*  |
| 23.1        | Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.*   |
| 23.2        | Consent of Sherman and Howard, LLC (included in Exhibit 5.1).*  |
| 24.1        | Powers of Attorney of National CineMedia, Inc.*   |

<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith.

- (1) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 from the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 001-33296) filed on May 6, 2011.
- (2) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 from the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-140652) filed on February 13, 2007.
- (3) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on February 16, 2007.
- (4) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1.1 from the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 001-33296) filed on August 7, 2009.
- (5) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on August 10, 2010.

- (6) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1.3 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on September 9, 2013.
- (7) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on February 16, 2007.
- (8) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on February 16, 2007.
- (9) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on February 16, 2007.

#### ITEM 17. UNDERTAKINGS.

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
  - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
    - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933, or Securities Act.
  - (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement.
  - (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i), (a)(1)(ii) and (a)(1)(iii) of this section do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-3 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934, or Exchange Act, that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
  - (4) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser:
  - (i) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and

- (ii) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by section 10(a) of the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of and included n the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof. *Provided, however*, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.
- (5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities: The undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:
  - (i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
  - (ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;
  - (iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and
    - (iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.
- (b) The undersigned registrants hereby undertake that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to any charter provision, by law, contract, arrangement, statute, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted against such registrant by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, such registrant will, unless in the opinion of counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question of whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement on Form S-3 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Centennial, State of Colorado, on the 15th day of December, 2014.

#### National CineMedia, Inc.

| By: | *   |
|-----|---|
|     | Kurt C. Hall                                    |
|     | President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman |

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement on Form S-3 has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the  $15^{th}$  day of December, 2014.

| <u>Name</u>              | <u>Title</u>   |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| * Kurt C. Hall           | President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman (Principal Executive Officer)                  |  |  |
| * David J. Oddo          | Senior Vice President and Interim Co-Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)     |  |  |
| * Jeffrey T. Cabot       | Senior Vice President and Interim Co-Chief Financial Officer<br>(Principal Accounting Officer) |  |  |
| * Lawrence A. Goodman    | Director   |  |  |
| * David R. Haas          | Director   |  |  |
| * Stephen L. Lanning     | Director   |  |  |
| * Paula Williams Madison | Director   |  |  |
| * Amy E. Miles           | Director   |  |  |

|      | <u>Name</u>          |                  | Title |
|------|----------------------|------------------|-------|
|      | Ж                    | Director         |       |
|      | Lee Roy Mitchell     |                  |       |
|      | * Craig R. Ramsey    | Director         |       |
|      | *                    |                  |       |
|      | * Scott N. Schneider | Director         |       |
| Ву:  | /S/ RALPH E. HARDY   |                  |       |
| - J· | Ralph E. Hardy       | Attorney-in-fact |       |
|      |                      |                  |       |

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| 4.7         | Common Unit Adjustment Agreement dated as of February 13, 2007, by and among National CineMedia, Inc., National CineMedia, LLC, Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC, American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Cinemark Media, Inc., Regal Cinemas, Inc. and Cinemark USA, Inc. (Confidential treatment granted as to certain portions, which portions were omitted and filed separately with the Commission.) (7) |
| 4.8         | Director Designation Agreement dated as of February 13, 2007, by and among National CineMedia, Inc., American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Cinemark Media, Inc. and Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC (8)  |
| 4.9         | Registration Rights Agreement dated as of February 13, 2007, by and among National CineMedia, Inc., American Multi-Cinema, Inc., Regal CineMedia Holdings, LLC and Cinemark Media, Inc. (9)   |
| 5.1         | Opinion of Sherman and Howard, LLC.*  |
| 23.1        | Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.*   |
| 23.2        | Consent of Sherman and Howard, LLC (included in Exhibit 5.1).*  |
| 24.1        | Powers of Attorney of National CineMedia, Inc.*   |

<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith.

- (1) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 from the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 001-33296) filed on May 6, 2011.
- (2) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 from the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-140652) filed on February 13, 2007.
- (3) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on February 16, 2007.
- (4) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1.1 from the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (File No. 001-33296) filed on August 7, 2009.
- (5) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on August 10, 2010.
- (6) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1.3 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on September 9, 2013.
- (7) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on February 16, 2007.
- (8) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.10 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on February 16, 2007.
- (9) Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.11 from the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-33296) filed on February 16, 2007.

#### [LETTERHEAD OF SHERMAN & HOWARD L.L.C.]

December 15, 2014

National CineMedia, Inc. 9110 E. Nichols Ave., Suite 200 Centennial, Colorado 80112-3405

Re: National CineMedia, Inc. Form S-3 Registration Statement

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to National CineMedia, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the "Registration Statement") and related prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") under the Securities Act of 1933 (as amended, the "Act"), on December 15, 2014. The Registration Statement covers the resale of up to 69,543,579 shares (the "Agreement Shares") of common stock of the Company, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Common Stock") issuable as described below. American Multi-Cinema, Inc. and affiliates, Cinemark Holdings, Inc. and Regal Entertainment Group and affiliates (collectively, the "Founding Members") collectively hold 69,543,579 common membership units (the "Common Units") of National CineMedia, LLC (the "LLC"). Each of the Founding Members, pursuant to the Operating Agreement (as defined herein), is entitled to cause the LLC to redeem its Common Units from time to time and is entitled to receive either the Share Settlement or the Cash Settlement, in each case as defined in the Certificate, in connection with such redemption. The Company, in its sole discretion, may elect either a Share Settlement or a Cash Settlement. The Agreement Shares are issuable under the terms of the Certificate (as defined herein) in exchange for the Common Units in the event that the Company elects to satisfy its exchange obligation through a Share Settlement. Pursuant to the Company's Certificate, the LLC is entitled to exchange the Common Units at any time and from time to time, on a one-for-one basis, for the Agreement Shares as required for the LLC to meet its obligation under the Operating Agreement to redeem the Common Units in the event of a Share Settlement.

In connection with this opinion, we have examined originals or copies, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of such documents and proceedings as we have deemed appropriate to render the opinions set forth below. We have also examined:

- (1) the Company's Registration Statement to be filed by the Company with the SEC on the date hereof:
- (2) a specimen certificate representing the Common Stock;
- (3) the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended to date (the "Certificate");
- (4) the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, as amended to date (the "Bylaws");

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- (5) the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Operating Agreement of the LLC, as amended to date (the "Operating Agreement");
- (6) such records of the corporate proceedings of the Company that we have considered necessary or appropriate for the purpose of rendering this opinion, including actions taken by the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") in connection with the authorization of the Common Stock, the filing of the Registration Statement and related matters;
- (7) such records of the limited liability company proceedings of the LLC that we have considered necessary or appropriate for the purpose of rendering this opinion, including actions taken by the Company as managing member of the LLC in connection with the authorization of the Common Units, the redemption of the Common Units and related matters; and
- (8) such other certificates and assurances from public officials and officers and representatives of the Company that we considered necessary or appropriate for the purpose of rendering this opinion.

For purposes of our examination, we have assumed and have not independently verified the legal capacity of all natural persons, the genuineness of all signatures, the conformity to originals of all documents submitted to us as certified, facsimile or photostatic copies and the authenticity of the originals of such copies. As to facts material to our opinions, we have relied, without independent verification, upon certificates, documents, statements and other information of the Company and LLC or representatives or officers thereof.

Based on the foregoing and the limitations, qualifications, exceptions and assumptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that the Agreement Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable, if and when (i) the Registration Statement, as amended (including any necessary post-effective amendments), shall have become and remain effective under the Act, and provided that no stop order shall have been issued by the SEC relating thereto; (ii) the Company shall have received a Redemption Notice, as defined in the Certificate; (iii) the Company shall have elected to make a Share Settlement, as defined in the Certificate, and the Board of the Company shall have adopted final resolutions authorizing the issuance of the Agreement Shares; (iv) the Founding Member that submitted the Redemption Notice shall have surrendered its Common Units for redemption to the LLC; (v) the LLC shall have (A) issued and delivered to the Company a certificate representing the number of Common Units to be redeemed and (B) delivered to the Company all transfer tax stamps or funds sufficient to pay in full all applicable transfer taxes (such Common Units, transfer tax stamps and funds collectively, the "Consideration"); and (vi) certificates representing the Agreement Shares shall have been duly executed and delivered to the LLC for transfer to the Founding Member that delivered the Redemption Notice against receipt of the agreed Consideration therefor.

For purposes of this opinion, we have assumed that, at the time of issuance, sale and delivery of the Agreement Shares: (a) the authorization thereof by the Board of the Company shall not have been modified or rescinded; (b) no change in law affecting the validity, legally binding character or enforceability of such authorization by the Board of the Company shall have

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occurred; (c) upon issuance of the Agreement Shares, the total number of shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding will not exceed the number of shares of Common Stock that the Company is then authorized to issue; (d) the Certificate of the Company and the Operating Agreement of the LLC shall not have been modified or amended in any respect that would affect this opinion and are in full force and effect; and (e) the authorizations by the Board of the Company will be made in accordance with the Certificate, the Bylaws and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

We express no opinion as to the laws other than the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (including the statutory provisions thereof, all applicable provisions of the Delaware Constitution and reported judicial decisions interpreting these laws). We express no opinion with respect to the blue sky securities laws of any state, including Delaware.

We hereby consent to being named as counsel to the Company in the Registration Statement and to the references therein to our firm under the caption "Legal Matters." In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we are an "expert" within the meaning of the Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ SHERMAN & HOWARD L.L.C.

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-3 of our reports dated February 21, 2014, relating to the consolidated financial statements of National CineMedia, Inc. and subsidiary and the effectiveness of National CineMedia, Inc. and subsidiary's internal control over financial reporting, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of National CineMedia, Inc. for the year ended December 26, 2013, and to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in the Prospectus, which is part of this Registration Statement.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Denver, Colorado December 15, 2014

#### **POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Kurt C. Hall, and Ralph E. Hardy, and each of them singly, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments or any abbreviated Registration Statement, and any amendments thereto, filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended) and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

| Signature   | <u>Title</u>  | <u>Date</u>       |
|---|---|-------------------|
| /S/ KURT C. HALL<br>Kurt C. Hall                  | President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman (Principal Executive Officer)               | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ DAVID J. ODDO David J. Oddo                   | Senior Vice President and Interim Co-Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)  | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ JEFFREY T. CABOT Jeffrey T. Cabot             | Senior Vice President and Interim Co-Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting Officer) | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ LAWRENCE A. GOODMAN Lawrence A. Goodman       | Director  | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ DAVID R. HAAS<br>David R. Haas                | Director  | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ STEPHEN L. LANNING Stephen L. Lanning         | Director  | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ PAULA WILLIAMS MADISON Paula Williams Madison | Director  | December 15, 2014 |

| <u>Signature</u>                             | <u>Ti</u> | <u>itle</u> | <u>Date</u>       |
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| /S/ AMY E. MILES<br>Amy E. Miles             | Director  |             | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ LEE ROY MITCHELL<br>Lee Roy Mitchell     | Director  |             | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ CRAIG R. RAMSEY Craig R. Ramsey          | Director  |             | December 15, 2014 |
| /S/ SCOTT N. SCHNEIDER<br>Scott N. Schneider | Director  |             | December 15, 2014 |