S6740 SOUFFLE AU COEUR (FRANCE/W. GERMANY/ITALY, 1971)
(Other titles: Herzflimmern; Murmur of the heart; Murmuring heart)

Credits: director/writer, Louis Malle.
Cast: Lea Massari, Daniel Gelin, Michel Lonsdale, Benoit Ferreux.
Summary: Comedy/melodrama set in Dijon, France in 1954. A coming-of-age story about 15-year-old Laurent Chevalier (Ferraux) who is growing up in bourgeois surroundings in Dijon. Laurent gets drunk, he smokes, he has sex (including incestuous sex), he is smothered by his mother, he is ignored by his father, a priest makes a pass at him, and he gets rheumatoid fever, etc. In the background is the French Indochina War, the loss of French colonies and some youthful political revolt.

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