

WEDNESDAY 13 OCTOBER OPENING NIGHT GALA NEVER LET ME GO 19:00 ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE

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Brand-new restoration of G W Pabst's silent erotic masterpiece based on Wedekind's Lulu, which transformed its star, Louise Brooks, into a movie icon.

21:00 Mark Romanek (Screen Talk)

The director of our Opening Night Film joins us to discuss his stunning music video work and his thought provoking feature films.

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BAFTA

Princess Anne Theatre

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The Passion of Christ brought beautifully to life by Portuguese villagers in the 1960s, filmed by the great Manoel de Oliveira and now gloriously restored.

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A troubled teenager tries to come to terms with life in a conflict torn Kashmiri town.

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NFT1

12:45 I Wish I Knew

Jia Zhangke's emotionally overwhelming essay explores the history and character of Shanghai: from soldiers and gangsters to cineastes and bloggers.

15:30 Womb

Eva Green and Matt Smith star in an usual love story, exquisitely designed and photographed.

18:00 British Cinema: Breaking with Convention

We bring together some British filmmakers who are using their work to challenge the conventional notion of narrative and documentary form.

21:00 Pink Saris

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NFT2

13:45 International Animation Programme 2

More of the best in recent international animation.

16:00 The Parking Lot Movie

A corner parking lot in Charlottesville, Virginia proves itself an ideal location to provide an insight into the modern American psyche.

18:15 Relentless

A story about love and self-discovery, set in Sierra Leone, one of Africa's unforgiving countries.

20:30 Imani

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NFT3

14:00 Joy

The story of one girl's search for the mother who abandoned her, impressively filmed throughout Amsterdam's high-rises and shelters.

16:15 We're the Kids from Suburbia

Growing up in the sticks is hard to do. This selection of short films is both a hard-hitting and light-hearted look at the lives of suburban youngsters.

18:30 Father

A haunting contemplative essay that moves between that which we see and that which we imagine.

20:45 Elisa K

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THE STUDIO

19:00 Manila Skies

A desperate labourer becomes first a criminal, then the world's most improbable aircraft hijacker, in Raymond Red's oddly beautiful and dreamlike drama.

ICA

14:00 Taipei Exchanges

An ordinary coffee-shop becomes an exchange mart and a field of dreams in Hsiao Ya-Chuan's gently comic reverie about female (and male) desires.

16:15 Microphone

An adrenaline-fuelled, infectiously dirty homage to Egypt's irrepressible and uncertain future.

18:45 The Peddler

A self-taught filmmaker arrives in a sleepy Argentine town to embark on a new project with a group of locals in this hugely enjoyable documentary.

21:00 Two Gates of Sleep

This small wonder of a film marks the arrival of Alistair Banks Griffin as an urgent and welcome new voice in American independent cinema.

ODEON WEST END 2

19:30 The Great White Silence

The official record of Captain Scott's legendary expedition to the South Pole restored by the BFI, with live musical performance from Simon Fisher Turner.

DAVID LEAN CINEMA

18:15 The Call

Argentinean and Patagonian set drama about the brief relationship between two women that changes both of their lives forever.

20:15 Happy Few

Elodie Bouchez and Roschdy Zem are among the partners in a Parisian sexual quartet, in this mature, intelligent and very intimate drama from up-and-coming director Antony Cordier.

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VUE5

12:15 West is West

The funny and poignant sequel to *East is East*, in which the family return to their roots in Pakistan.

14:45 It's Kind of a Funny Story

A funny, astute and authentic look at the sometimes difficult process of growing up.

17:45 Heartbeats

A lively, engaging drama of a youthful ménage-a-trois, Quebecois style.

20:15 Poetry

Cannes winner Lee Changdong shows scenes from the life of an ageing woman who joins a poetry class – and then learns that her grandson is implicated in a terrible crime.

VUE7

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15:00 Fire in Babylon

Revisiting the golden age of West Indian cricket.

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20:30 Boxing Gym

Renowned documentary maker Frederick Wiseman's beautifully observed study of a Texas gym.

VUE6

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A virtuoso, London set exploration of family and friendship from Mike Leigh.

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18:30 Peter Mullan (Masterclass)

The highly driven actor, director, writer and producer, offers an insight into his fascinating career.

21:00 Treacle Jr

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NFT2

13:45 Robinson in Ruins

Invigorating essay film making in which an enigmatic scholar makes a series of journeys through the South of England.

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18:30 Close Friends and Family Only

A programme of short films that examine close relationships ranging from undying friendship to profound love to intense hatred.

20:45 The Mayor of Hell

Rousing pre-Code Cagney melo from Warners, with ex-con Jimmy put in charge of a reform school full of tough kids.

THE STUDIO

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FRI 22 OCT

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17:45 Film Socialisme

Enigmatic as ever, but provocative and visually vibrant, Jean-Luc Godard's latest film takes to the Mediterranean, with Patti Smith briefly glimpsed on board.

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18:15 Winter Vacation

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CINÉ LUMIÈRE

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Gérard Depardieu teams up with subversive farceurs Delépine and de Kervern for a trouble-making road comedy about an old biker heading back to his past.

16:00 A Screaming Man

A father betrays his son in this quietly moving drama set in war-torn Chad.

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We bring together a group of composers from some of the standout films of the LFF programme to discuss their work.

SAT 23 OCT

VUE5

12:00 Just Another Love Story

A gay Delhi filmmaker learns many self-truths while filming the story of a once famous female impersonator.

14:45 Pudana: Last of the Line

Pudana leaves her family in the Yamal Peninsula and is forced to attend a Soviet school in the 1980's.

17:45 How I Ended This Summer

A taut psychological drama set against a striking polar landscape.

20:30 Route Irish

The latest from Ken Loach, an intricately plotted thriller about the privatisation of the war in Iraq.

23:30 Rare Exports: A Christmas Tale

Santa Claus is coming to town, but spreading Christmas cheer is not at the top of his list... part children's adventure, part macabre seasonal shocker, this darkly humorous concoction defies categorisation.

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NFT1

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Brightwide, the online home for the best social and political cinema hosts model Christy Turlington Burns, following her directorial debut *No Woman, No Cry*.

16:00 Darren Aronofsky (Screen Talk)

One of the most thought-provoking directors of his generation joins us to talk about his brilliant work.

18:30 Man with a Movie Camera

Russian genius Dziga Vertov's silent film classic, a dazzling experiment in montage and special effects employing a dynamic urban backdrop.

21:00 Lemmy

An outstanding documentary portrait of the Greatest Living Englishman.

NFT2

12:00 Animated Shorts for Younger Audiences

A selection of short animated films from around the world.

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19:00 Every Time I See Your Picture I Cry

Live animation performance by Daniel Barrow recounts a bizarre story of inadequacy, intrigue and murder.

21:00 Hit the Road

Duncan Campbell and Thom Andersen steer documentaries about the futuristic DeLorean car, and LA's roadside signs.

THE STUDIO

12:00-19:00 The Futurist

An homage to 35mm and the architecture of the cinema. Continuous Projection.

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CINÉ LUMIÈRE

12:00 Mysteries of Lisbon

Sprawling, fantastical narrative of 19th-century secrets and crimes – an epic entertainment from visionary master Raul Ruiz.

18:30 Memory Lane

The events of an ordinary summer in the Paris suburbs, but given a melancholy, dream-like eeriness in this superb ensemble piece by new director Mikhaël Hers.

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SUN 24 OCT

VUE5

12:15 The Book of Masters

Disney's Russian production comes complete with a fairytale princess, a magic stone and some sinister dark riders.

14:45 Black Swan

A sophisticated psychological thriller set in the milieu of the New York Ballet.

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VUE7

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Romanian director Christi Puiu study of a day in the life of an embittered, middle-aged divorcee is a disturbing and darkly comic portrait of male angst.

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The paths of a moneylender, a baby, a pious neighbour and a homeless pensioner and his hospitalised girlfriend all cross in this droll Peruvian feature.

NFT1

12:00 A Brighter Summer Day

Epic Taiwanese portrait by Edward Yang of 1960s youth, immersed in US culture, struggling to find their identity.

17:00 Olivier Assayas (Masterclass)

One of the most original French writer-directors of his generation joins us to discuss his remarkable career.

19:00 Mandelson: The Real PM?

An intimate portrait of one of the most controversial figures in British politics.

21:00 Edge

Filmed at a striking location, *Edge* is a smart and sincere character driven drama from filmmaker Carol Morley.

NFT2

13:45 Hands Up

Tender, engaging, bracingly militant drama from director Romain Goupil: a story of youth, solidarity and contemporary France, with Valeria Bruni-Tedeschi and a terrific child cast.

16:00 Super Brother

Anton wishes that his brother could help him against the bullies at school but hadn't reckoned on him become a super hero over night.

18:15 What I Love the Most

The friendship between two friends is tested in this confident and beautifully performed debut feature by Argentine director Delfina Castagnino.

20:30 Don't Be Afraid, Bi!

Six-year-old Bi doesn't understand his father's philandering or his aunt's crush on a teenage boy; a Vietnamese mixture of muscular poetry and sexual candour.

NFT3

14:00 3 Films by Nathaniel Dorsky

Dorsky's illuminated epiphanies celebrate the commonplace, creating film poetry from daily life.

16:00 Lewis Klahr Presents Prolix Satori

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19:00 Break on Through

Six perspectives on transience and transformation. Featuring work by Jordan, Rebello, Solomon and others.

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THE STUDIO

12:00-19:00 Shadow Cuts

Mickey and Pluto locked in an eternal embrace. Continuous Projection.

19:30 Guilty Pleasures

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TRICYCLE CINEMA

14:00 3 Seasons in Hell

A young poet and his liberated girlfriend face a new reality when the Communists take power in Prague in the late 1940s.

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Isabelle Huppert plays a free-spirited mother getting to grips with the working life (and the Belgian seaside) in this brisk, intelligent comedy.

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20:30 I'm with the Band: Filmmakers and Fans (Event)

A panel discussion focussing on documentaries about bands, made by filmmakers who are also their fans.

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VUE5

12:15 Lemmy

An outstanding documentary portrait of the Greatest Living Englishman.

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A small boy reacts badly to his father's departure from the family home in Diego Luna's engaging feature directing debut.

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VUE7

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Eugene prefers a life of dreams to everyday reality in surrealist animator Jan Švankmajer's witty extension of one of his own dreams.

20:45 Puzzle

A put-upon housewife finds jigsaws are the road to self-liberation in this quirky debut feature from Argentina.

VUE3

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18:30 Draquila – Italy Trembles

Arresting documentary indictment of the Italian government, focusing on the aftermath of the terrible earthquake in Aquila in 2009.

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A remarkable visual account of the inner world of a nurse as she searches for her childhood friend.

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A selection of recent shorts from some of the capital's most exciting new filmmakers.

NFT2

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A taut psychological drama set against a striking polar landscape.

18:15 A Novel Idea (Event)

A range of screenwriters and directors from films within the LFF programme come together to discuss adapting novels for the screen.

20:45 When Love Comes

Observed with a warmth worthy of the late Edward Yang, Chang Tso-Chi's film explores a family dominated by women – who are concealing a big secret.

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The disturbing tale of a young couple whose marriage disintegrates when they become pregnant.

18:30 Wild River

A stubborn old woman takes on the Tennessee Valley Authority, which wants to build a dam on her land, in Elia Kazan's compassionate social drama.

21:00 Living on Love Alone

Isabelle Czajka's tough, acidic drama about the working life – and leaving it behind – with up-and-coming star Anaïs Demoustier.

THE STUDIO

10:00 – 17:00 Lewis Klahr Workshop: Narrative Collage

American artist Lewis Klahr leads a one-day workshop exploring collage, animation processes and narrative construction.

PHOENIX CINEMA

19:00 Bow Bells and Waterloo Sunsets

Three documentaries featuring the sights and sounds of a vanished post-war London.

TUE 26 OCT

VUE5

12:15 Submarino

A powerful story of two brother's attempts to escape a childhood of neglect.

14:45 Surviving Life

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17:45 Outside the Law

After *Days of Glory*, another dynamic North African-themed political epic from Rachid Bouchareb, about three brothers caught up in the Algerian struggle for independence.

21:00 Biutiful

A powerful contemporary drama set in Barcelona's underworld, with an award winning performance from Javier Bardem.

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VUE6

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Isabelle Huppert plays a free-spirited mother getting to grips with the working life (and the Belgian seaside) in this brisk, intelligent comedy.

18:15 Rare Exports: A Christmas Tale

Santa Claus is coming to town, but spreading Christmas cheer is not at the top of his list... part children's adventure, part macabre seasonal shocker, this darkly humorous concoction defies categorisation.

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VUE3

13:00 Draquila – Italy Trembles

Arresting documentary indictment of the Italian government, focusing on the aftermath of the terrible earthquake in Aquila in 2009.

15:30 Adrienn Pál

A remarkable visual account of the inner world of a nurse as she searches for her childhood friend.

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13:00 When Love Comes

Observed with a warmth worthy of the late Edward Yang, Chang Tso-Chi's film explores a family dominated by women – who are concealing a big secret.

15:15 Memory Lane

The events of an ordinary summer in the Paris suburbs, but given a melancholy, dream-like eeriness in this superb ensemble piece by new director Mikhaël Hers.

18:00 Alejandro Gonzalez Inamitu (Masterclass)

The multi-award-winning Mexican director discusses his astoundingly successful international career.

21:00 Lisa Cholodenko (Masterclass)

The highly acclaimed writer-director discusses her work, including her brilliant new film *The Kids Are All Right*.

NFT2

13:45 Don't Be Afraid, Bi!

Six-year-old Bi doesn't understand his father's philandering or his aunt's crush on a teenage boy; a Vietnamese mixture of muscular poetry and sexual candour.

16:00 Living on Love Alone

Isabelle Czajka's tough, acidic drama about the working life – and leaving it behind – with up-and-coming star Anaïs Demoustier.

18:00 Sunny Side Up

Endearing and tuneful backstage musical from 1929, starring Hollywood's favourite screen sweethearts of the day, Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell.

20:30 Sawako Decides

Yuya Ishii's new film is a joyous, nuanced, comic drama: Sawako tries to save her father's ailing clam-packing business, but it's an uphill struggle.

NFT3

14:00 Hit the Road

Duncan Campbell and Thom Andersen steer documentaries about the futuristic DeLorean car, and LA's roadside signs.

16:15 Break on Through

Six perspectives on transience and transformation. Featuring work by Jordan, Rebello, Solomon and others.

18:30 A Working Class Hero Is Something To Be

This selection of short films highlights characters whose lives are at their lowest ebbs, as they try their hardest to escape. These heroes prove that what doesn't kill you makes you stronger.

20:45 Let Each One Go Where He May

A monumental achievement in experimental filmmaking that deconstructs the ethnographic documentary with mesmerising effect.

THE STUDIO

19:00 Spork

A young high-schooler attempts to win the annual talent show in this wonderfully surprising and subversive teen movie.

GENESIS CINEMA

18:15 Archipelago

Joanna Hogg's follow up to *Unrelated* serves as a worthy companion piece to her brilliant and acclaimed debut.

20:45 Edge

Filmed at a striking location, *Edge* is a smart and sincere character driven drama from filmmaker Carol Morley.

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19:00 The First Grader

The inspiring story of an 84 year old Kenyan man's fight for education and equality.

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VUES

12:15 Howl

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After *Days of Glory*, another dynamic North African-themed political epic from Rachid Bouchareb, about three brothers caught up in the Algerian struggle for independence.

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An intimate portrait of one of the most controversial figures in British politics.

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Catherine Breillat offers a dazzling, subversive exploration of fairy tales, dream and the mysteries of the female imagination.

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14:00 Truce

A young truck driver returns to his home town in search of a bride in an unusual and award winning take on life in provincial Russia.

16:15 What I Love the Most

The friendship between two friends is tested in this confident and beautifully performed debut feature by Argentine director Delfina Castagnino.

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The characters in these seven short films all encounter varying degrees of misfortune.

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Woman director Miwa Nishikawa tells the unpredictable story of a Japanese mountain village whose much-loved doctor is actually a conman with no qualifications.

THE STUDIO

19:00 Lemmy

An outstanding documentary portrait of the Greatest Living Englishman.

RICH MIX

18:15 Submarine

The debut feature from Richard Ayoade is an affecting coming of age comedy that feels genuinely original, made by someone who's clearly in love with cinema.

20:45 The Taqwacores

The Taqwacores may have a provocative, insurrectionary swagger about it, yet emerges as a heartfelt, spirited and positive blast of indie cinema.

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NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

14:30 David Gatten's Journal and Remarks

David Gatten discusses his voyage to the Galapagos and the film he made there based on texts by Darwin and Leonardo.

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Eugene prefers a life of dreams to everyday reality in surrealist animator Jan Švankmajer's witty extension of one of his own dreams.