

Cinema Unbound: The Creative Worlds of Powell and Pressburger

A BFI season of films celebrating one of the greatest and most enduring film-making partnerships: Michael Powell (1905-1990) and Emeric Pressburger (1902-1988).



FRI 20TH OCT



The Edge of the World

Friday 20 October 7.30 | FREE but you will need to book tickets | Choppards Mission

A free taster prior to our November weekend of Powell + Pressburger; See the main programme listing overleaf for details

FRI 10TH NOV



A Canterbury Tale

Friday 10 November 7.30 | £5 or all 4 films for £10 | Southgate Theatre Honley

(UK 1944, 119mins U)

Set against the backdrop of the war, this vision of an England with its spiritual roots in the countryside is now considered one of the best British films of the period.

SAT 11TH NOV



The Small Back Room

Saturday 11 November 2.00 | £5 or all 4 films for £10 | Civic Hall Holmfirth

(UK 1949, 107mins PG)

Based on Nigel Balchin's 1943 novel, a troubled research scientist and military bomb-disposal expert struggles with trauma, alcoholism and complex problems in a powerful and wonderful gem deftly mixing suspense and romance.

SUN 12TH NOV



I Know Where I'm Going

Sunday 12 November 7.30 | £5 or all 4 films for £10 | Hepworth Village Hall

(UK 1945, 91mins 12)

An Englishwoman travels to the Hebrides to marry an older, wealthier fiancé but the weather keeps them islands apart. Haunting, romantic and witty, this is for many their favourite P&P film.

Film & Music Day

Sunday 29 October | Lesser Civic Hall, Holmfirth | All-Day £5.00 Ticket

New soundtracks with live ensemble, experimental film and the best music documentaries of the year.



Live Film Soundtracks by Barry Russell and the HD9 Ensemble

2pm

New soundtracks from Holme Valley's internationally renowned composer, with electro-acoustic improvisations, electronics and works by John Cage and Cornelius Cardew to a collection of experimental short films by some of the world's greatest film-makers.



Squaring the Circle (The Hipgnosis Story)

3.30pm

Dir. Anton Corbijn (UK 2022, 101mins 15)

Hugely enjoyable documentary on Storm Thorgerson and Po Powell, the creative geniuses behind the iconic and extraordinary album covers of Pink Floyd and bands of the 60s and 70s.



Shove It! The Xero Slingsby Story

5.30pm

Dir. Robert Stanley Crampton (UK 2022, 100mins 15)

A larger-than-life character, Matthew Coe aka Xero Slingsby was an inspirational force in 1980s jazz with his fiery punk style. From busking on the streets of Yorkshire (and arrested over 40 times) to his trio The Works' live success, his passionate spirit and high energy concerts won over many fans across Europe.



In the Court of the Crimson King: King Crimson at 50

7.30pm

Dir. Toby Amies (UK 2022, 126mins 15)

A brilliant, dark, unflinching and at times wonderfully comic portrait of the prog-rock band. Even if you're not a fan of the music you will enjoy this exploration of creativity and the sacrifices made in what is possibly the best rock documentary ever.

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BOOKING INFORMATION

GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Tel: 01484 681388

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TICKETS

Adults: £5 Under 18yrs: £3

Available from: www.holmfirthfilmfestival.co.uk

In Person: Oxfam Bookshop, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth

Pay on the Door: Cash Only

SPECIAL OFFERS:
Powell and Pressburger
Four films £10

Film & Music Sunday
£5 All-Day Ticket

Family Ticket Children's Film
£5 (two adults, two children)

£30 Golden Ticket
Entry to all films!

VENUES

• **Christ Church**, Sude Hill, New Mill www.newmillpc.org.uk

• **Civic Hall**, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth www.thecivicholmfirth.org

• **Hepworth Village Hall**, Towngate, Hepworth HD9 1TE www.hepworthvillagehall.org.uk

• **Southgate Theatre**, Southgate, Honley HD9 6NT www.southgatetheatre.org

• **Choppards Mission**, Choppards Bank Road, Holmfirth HD9 2RP

• **St Lucius Church**, Butts Road, Farnley Tyas HD9 6T2 www.almondburywithfarnleytyaschurches.org

Bring a cushion!

- **Unity Yard**, Bridge Mills, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth HD9 3TW www.facebook.com/UnityYard
- **Upperthong Village Hall**, Wickens Lane, Upperthong HD9 3RB www.upperthong.org.uk

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Not all venues have disabled access but if you have a particular requirement, please let us know and we will do all we can to facilitate your access to films.

Please note film start times. Doors open 30 minutes before screening. Refreshments available at all venues. There may be a short interval in long films.

BOOKING SEATS FOR FREE EVENTS

To ensure seats at the FREE film/event you want to attend, please book online via the festival website (you will not be charged).

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Celebrating the best of British European and World Cinema

FRI 13TH OCT



HEPWORTH FILM NIGHT

Lunana: A Yak in the Classroom

Friday 13 October 7.30 | £5 | Hepworth Village Hall

Dir. Pawo Choyning Dorji (Bhutan 2019, 110mins 12)

The only Bhutan entry to the Oscars is a sweet-natured and satisfying story full of beautiful moments of an aspiring singer living with his grandmother who dreams of getting a visa to visit Australia.

FRI 20TH OCT



INTRODUCING OUR POWELL & PRESSBURGER SEASON

The Edge of the World

Friday 20 October 7.30 | FREE but you will need to book tickets | Choppards Mission

Dir. Michael Powell (UK 1937, 75mins U)

Powell's first serious film is a jewel and displays his visual flair with the magnificent scenery of the Hebridean island where the skipper of a yacht lands with tourists and is confronted by past memories of long-gone island-life and the coming modernity. A story of love and rivalry at its most compelling.

TUES 24TH OCT



The Velvet Queen

Tuesday 24 October 7.30 | £5 | Christ Church New Mill

Dir. Marie Amiguet & Vincent Munier (France 2021, 92mins 12)

The quest to document the exceptionally elusive snow leopard in the Tibetan highlands is stunning and humbling, and to finally see it in this glorious landscape is deeply emotional.



WED 25TH OCT



Godland

Wednesday 25 October 7.30 | £5 | Christ Church New Mill

Dir. Hlynur Palmason (Denmark 2022, 127mins 15)

A young Danish priest with a passion for photography travels to Iceland to build a church but is undone by a world he can't understand. Beauty and terror reside side by side in this extraordinary film.

THUR 26TH OCT



Utama

Thursday 26 October 7.30 | £5 | Christ Church New Mill

Dir. Alejandro Loayza Grisi (Bolivia 2022, 87mins 12)

On the edge of the desert, an elderly couple barely existing with their goat herd are confronted by climate change in a beautifully told and photographed Sundance winner and entry to the Oscars.



FRI 27TH OCT



The Day the Earth Caught Fire

Friday 27 October 2.00 | FREE | Lesser Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Val Guest (UK 1961, 100mins 12)

A reporter discovers that nuclear tests have altered the earth's orbit which results in earthquakes and fires raging across the globe. This extremely well-done British disaster movie feels entirely of now.



FRI 27TH OCT



FARNLEY TYAS COMMUNITY CINEMA

Living

Friday 27 October 8.00 | £6 | St Lucius Church Farnley Tyas

Dir. Oliver Hermanus (UK 2022, 102mins 12)

Bill Nighy delivers a perfect stiff-upper-lipped performance as the humourless and lifeless bureaucrat in 1950s London who at the eleventh hour makes a supreme effort to change.

FRI 27TH OCT



The Old Oak

Friday 27 October 7.00 | £5 | Lesser Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Ken Loach (UK 2022, 90 mins 15)

A fierce call for compassion and solidarity. Set against a background of Syrian refugees being placed in the village, a landlord in a previously thriving mining community struggles to hold on to his pub.

FRI 27TH OCT



Cairo Conspiracy

Friday 27 October 7.30 | £5 | Hepworth Village Hall

Dir. Tarik Saleh (Sweden/France 2022, 120mins 12A)

A student and lowly fisherman's son becomes entrapped as an innocent pawn in the power games between religious and political elites in Egypt's corrupt system. An engrossing thriller.

FRI 27TH OCT



Barbie

Friday 27 October 7.30 | £5 | Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Greta Gerwig (US 2023, 116 mins 12A)

From dream home to reality Barbie (Margot Robbie) suffers a crisis that leads her to question her world and relationship with the deliciously vacuous Ken (Ryan Gosling). Bring out the pink...

FRI 28TH OCT



The Bad Guys

Saturday 28 October 12.00 | £5 Family Ticket | Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Pierre Perifel (US 2022, 100mins U)

To avoid prison a gang of notorious, sassy, supercool animal criminals try to pull off their most challenging caper yet. Memorable animation from Dreamworks that is great fun.

FRI 28TH OCT



The Curious Case of Victor Grayson MP

Saturday 28 October 1.00 | FREE | Lesser Civic Hall Holmfirth

Labour Cllr, political director, Harry Taylor introduces his biography, *In Search of Britain's Lost Revolutionary* (2021), and the BBC documentary on the socialist Colne Valley MP (1907-11). Despised by fellow MPs he mysteriously disappeared in Sept 1920, never to be seen again. Or was he?

FRI 28TH OCT



Wolfwalkers

Saturday 28 October 2.30 | Adults £5 Children £3 | Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Tomm Moore & Ross Stewart (Ireland 2020, 103mins PG)

Animated adventure set in a time of superstition and magic. A young hunter and her father travel to Ireland to wipe out the last wolf pack but everything changes when she saves a native girl. Pure magic.

FRI 28TH OCT



How to Blow Up A Pipeline

Saturday 28 October 3.00 | £5 | Lesser Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Daniel Goldhaber (US 2022, 100mins 15)

A tense, gripping and original thriller. A diverse, young group of environmental activists come up with a daring plan to disrupt a Texas oil pipeline. Various moral complexities are explored.



FRI 28TH OCT



Pamfir

Saturday 28 October 7.00 | £5 | Lesser Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Dmytro Sukholytkyy-Sobchuk (Ukraine 2022, 102mins 15)

Hugely cinematic, this energetic and sometimes disturbing new Ukrainian crime-thriller beautifully captures the essence of the country's culture and traditions.



FRI 28TH OCT



The Night of the 12th

Saturday 28 October 7.30 | £5 | Hepworth Village Hall

Dir. Dominik Moll (France 2022, 114mins 15)

This year's winner of the French Oscar (Cesar) for best film is a terrific police procedure investigation of a real murder with a devastating fallout from a senseless act of violence.



The Three Musketeers: D'Artagnan

Saturday 28 October 7.30 | £5 | Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Martin Bourboulon (France 2023, 121mins 15 - subtitles)

An epic, lavish adaptation of the Dumas classic novel. With a great cast, superb photography, wonderful sets and fizzing action this is a pure delight from start to finish. One for all ages.

SAT 28TH OCT



THE GREATEST EXHIBITION ON SCREEN

Vermeer

Sunday 29 October 2.30 | £5 | Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. David Bickerstaff (UK 2023, 93 mins)

Stunning doc of the Rijkmuseum's exhibition of the 28 surviving works of influential Dutch painter Johannes Vermeer. Glorious, leisurely close-ups of his art with our new 4K projector. A must see.

SUN 29TH OCT

FILM & MUSIC DAY

Sunday 29th October Lesser Civic Hall Holmfirth. New soundtracks with live ensemble, experimental film and the best music documentaries of the year. See separate timetable overleaf.



Don't Look Up

Sunday 29 October 7.30 | FREE | Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Adam McKay (US 2022 145mins 15)

Netflix has given special permission to screen their second most popular film of all time. This apocalyptic satire on the inability of politicians to cope with climate change is entirely of the moment.



SUN 29TH OCT



CAFÉ EUROPE

A Surprise Film!

Thursday 9 November 7.30 | £5 | Lesser Civic Hall Holmfirth

Café Europe will be putting on a surprise, award-winning film from the European Union. If you don't like it, your money back!

THUR 9TH NOV



HEPWORTH FILM NIGHT

Everything Everywhere All at Once

Friday 10 November 7.30 | £5 | Hepworth Village Hall

Dir. Daniel Scheinert (US 2022, 139mins 15)

A Chinese immigrant is swept up in an insane sci-fi action adventure, where she alone can save the world. This year's Oscar winner.

FRI 10TH NOV

THE BFI'S CINEMA UNBOUND: THE CREATIVE WORLDS OF POWELL AND PRESSBURGER

Fri 20th Oct and Fri 10th to Sun 12th Nov. Various Locations. A series of films that showcase the extraordinary creativity of Britain's leading directors. See separate timetable overleaf.



Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret

Saturday 11 November 7.30 | £5 | Southgate Theatre Honley

Dir. Kelly Fremon Craig (US 2022, 105mins PG)

Surprise of the year, a really wonderful and thoroughly entertaining adaptation of Judy Blume's ground-breaking novel. Humorous and candid, this is a classic coming-of-age story.

SAT 11TH NOV



A Life on the Farm

Saturday 11 November 2.00 | £5 | Upperthong Village Hall

Dir. Oscar Harding (UK 2022, 75mins 12)

Delightful, often funny, and sometimes tragically dark documentary about an eccentric and isolated Somerset farmer who takes up film-making. Based on the legacy of his long-lost surreal films.



Sissu

Saturday 11 November 7.30 | £5 | Upperthong Village Hall

Dir. Jalmari Helander (Finland 2022, 91mins 15)

When at the end of the war a grizzled prospector discovers gold in the Lapland wilderness, he is hunted down by Nazi SS soldiers. A violent white-knuckle ride that is hugely entertaining.



The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry

Sunday 12 November 7.30 | £5 | Southgate Theatre Honley

Dir. Hettie Macdonald (UK 2023, 102mins 12)

Based on the best-selling novel by Rachel Joyce, this seemingly unassuming journey to salvation develops into an emotionally wrenching observation of guilt.

SUN 12TH NOV



THE RETURN OF... LOCAL FILM NIGHT

Sunday 12 November 7.00 | £5 | Civic Hall Holmfirth

It's back with newly discovered historic film of the Holme Valley, requested old favourites, Holmfirth in the 70s and the destruction of the mills, commissioned new films of the demolition of the Market and Oral Histories of long-time residents of the Valley, plus the local Café Orchestra, and lots more.



Fashion Reimagined

Friday 17 November 7.30 | £5 | Unity Yard Holmfirth

Dir. Becky Hutner (UK/US 2022, 100mins 12)

Raised by environmental activists, trailblazing Amy Powney creates sustainable clothes for her Mother of Pearl label. The path from Uruguayan sheep farmers to London's fashion scene raises major environmental questions.



FRI 17TH NOV



Hello, Bookstore

Saturday 18 November 7.30 | £5 | Unity Yard, Holmfirth

Dir. Adam Zax (US 2022, 86mins PG)

A gentle treat celebrating the spirit of independent bookshops everywhere. Run by an aging beatnik in Massachusetts on a shoe-string for fifty years. A wonderful documentary.

SAT 18TH NOV



The Fabelmans

Friday 24 November 8.00 | £6 | Farnley Tyas

Dir. Steven Spielberg (US 2022, 151mins 12A)

Spielberg's glowing semi-autobiographical story of growing up in post-WW2 America with aspirations to be a film-maker whilst discovering a shattering family secret.

FRI 24TH NOV



No Bears

Sunday 26 November 7.00 | £5 | Lesser Civic Hall Holmfirth

Dir. Jafar Panahi (Iran 2022, 106mins 12A)

Before he was imprisoned by the Iranian authorities, the acclaimed director Jafar Panahi managed to shoot in secret this outstanding film within a film about two parallel romances and a film-maker who relocates to a rural village only to face acute ethical dilemmas which build to a devastating finale. One of the best films of the year.

SUN 26TH NOV