
Mārama (dir. Toa Sappard)
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Eden Court
1976 – 2026
INVERNESS
FILM
FESTIVAL
FRI 13 – THU 19 NOV 2026
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INFORMATION

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DS Descriptive Subtitles AD Audio Described

Prices

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Welcome

to the 24th Inverness Film Festival.

This is the 21st Inverness Film Festival I've programmed, and over the years we've shown over 650 feature films from 89 countries. But I still feel like a kid in the sweet shop of world cinema when I begin a new festival, and this year we have another outstanding selection for you to discover.

We open with previews of *Fjord*, the new film from Romanian director Christian Mungiu, which won the Palme d'Or at this year's Cannes Film Festival. Mungiu previously won the prize for *4 Months, 3 Weeks and 2 Days*, and *Fjord* stars Renate Reinsve (*Sentimental Value, IFF 2025*). We also preview *Prima Facie*, the adaptation of Suzie Miller's play starring Cynthia Erivo.

Reflecting the state of the world, there's a lot of conflict represented in this year's programme; whether it be war (*Minotaur*), gender (*Rose*), sexuality (*The Education of Jane Cumming*), climate (*We, The Hated, Nuisance Bear*), class (*Bunker*), ageing (*Calle Málaga*), or truth (*Ink*).

To mark Eden Court's 50th anniversary, we're screening three classic films outside our cinema spaces: *Ghostbusters* at Inverness Library, *Kidnapped* at the Culloden Battlefield Visitor Centre, and *Little Shop of Horrors* at the Inverness Botanic Gardens. It's a chance to enjoy three fun films somewhere completely different.

We're delighted to partner with XOKO this year. Some festivals link up with credit card companies or airlines, but what matters to us is the community on our doorstep. IFF and XOKO share the same values: we both believe in humanity coming together, especially over a delicious pastry, excellent coffee and a great film.

When you're here watching a film, remember to vote for our Audience Award. It's always exciting to hear what you think. And if you see me around, please say hello and tell me what you're watching.

See you at the movies!

Paul MacDonald-Taylor
Festival Director

OPENING FILM



Ink (N/C 15+)

FRI 13 NOV

UK/France/USA | 2026 | 116 mins
Director Danny Boyle
Cast Jack O'Connell, Guy Pearce, Claire Foy

In late 1969, Rupert Murdoch persuades newspaper editor Larry Lamb to oversee his newly acquired but flagging daily rag, *The Sun*. But how can they grab readers in the highly competitive British media market? Be extreme, throwing anything onto the page that will make a splash, the more titillating, the better. Will the incoming Conservative government change the way Murdoch interacts with politics? We'll have to wait and see. Danny Boyle takes his inimitable style to the tale of Rupert Murdoch taking over *The Sun*.

With thanks to *STUDIOCANAL*

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CLOSING FILM



The Debut (N/C 15+)

THU 19 NOV

USA | 2026 | 105 mins
Director Jesse Eisenberg
Cast Julianne Moore, Paul Giamatti, Jesse Eisenberg, Halle Bailey

Jesse Eisenberg (*A Real Pain IFF 2024*) delivers a rapturous and funny love letter to community theatre, featuring a luminous lead performance by Julianne Moore.

Mona Friedman is a shy housewife from New Jersey who leads an ordinary life in which she feels almost invisible. When Mona is unexpectedly cast in a local production of an original musical, under the spell of the strong-willed and enigmatic director, she loses herself in the role and the high-stakes world of this community theatre production.

With thanks to Lionsgate

AD

SPECIAL PREVIEWS



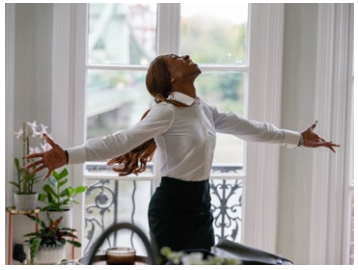
Fjord (15)

MON 09 NOV

Romania/France/Norway/Denmark/Sweden | 2026 | 146 mins
English, Romanian, Norwegian with subtitles
Director Cristian Mungiu
Cast Sebastian Stan, Renate Reinsve, Lisa Carlehed

Winner of the prestigious Palme d'Or at this year's Cannes Film Festival, the latest from writer-director Cristian Mungiu is a gripping high-stakes courtroom drama driven by a profound moral dilemma.

With thanks to Picturehouse



Prima Facie (N/C 15+)

WED 11 NOV

Australia/UK | 2026 | 109 mins
Director Susanna White
Cast Cynthia Erivo, Daniel Ings, Noma Dumezweni, Simon Russell-Beale

Oscar nominee Cynthia Erivo stars in this adaptation of Suzie Miller's globally acclaimed play. Tessa is a no-nonsense, ambitious barrister who has risen from a working-class background to a successful career in the courtroom, primarily dedicated to defending those accused of sex crimes. But when she becomes the victim of a sexual assault, she will experience firsthand how merciless and unfair the law can be to vulnerable women seeking justice.

With thanks to Sony

AD

HIGHLIGHTS



Elsinore (N/C 15+)

SAT 14 NOV

UK | 2026 | 111 mins
Director Simon Stone
Cast Cast Andrew Scott, Olivia Colman, Billie Piper, Johnny Flynn

One to watch ahead of film awards season, Andrew Scott (*All of Us Strangers*, *IFF 2023*) delivers a career best performance in Elsinore, written by Stephen Beresford (*Pride*).

The deeply emotional and inspirational true story of Ian Charleson, a gifted actor whose greatest challenge becomes his greatest triumph. Facing his own mortality with unflinching honesty, wit, and grace, Charleson, who is dying of AIDS, courageously plays Hamlet at London's National Theatre delivering a performance, following Daniel Day-Lewis' departure, that becomes a source of healing and inspiration for those around him.

With thanks to STUDIOCANAL

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A Talent for Murder

(N/C 15+)

SAT 14 NOV

UK/Italy | 2026 | 106 mins
Director Anton Corbijn
Cast Helen Mirren,
Alden Ehrenreich, Olivia Cooke

1995: worldwide famous author Patricia Highsmith (Helen Mirren) spends her solitary retirement in the Swiss Alps, surrounded by her books and her cats. Until along comes Edward Ridgeway, a young emissary from a New York publisher, sent to persuade Highsmith to agree to write one more instalment to add to her bestselling Tom Ripley series. Initially Highsmith turns down the offer – until she decides to convince Ridgeway to dream up the perfect murder along with her.

With thanks to Universal

DS AD



Josephine (18)

SAT 14 NOV

USA | 2026 | 121 mins
Director Beth de Araújo
Cast Mason Reeves, Gemma Chan,
Channing Tatum

Winner of the Grand Jury Dramatic Prize at Sundance, this suspenseful and devastating film follows a child trying to navigate life after witnessing a sexual assault.

Eight-year-old Josephine (an astounding performance by newcomer Mason Reeves) accidentally witnesses a crime in Golden Gate Park, but struggles to find answers. Her parents are helpless to console her. Weaving thriller and horror conventions within a serious and sobering scenario, Beth de Araújo creates an often uncomfortable yet vital film that interrogates how we explain the unspeakable.

With thanks to Curzon



Mouse (N/C 15+)

SUN 15 NOV

US | 2026 | 120 mins
Director Kelly O'Sullivan,
Alex Thompson
Cast Sophie Okonedo,
Katherine Mallen Kupferer,
Chloe Coleman, Tara Mallen

It's 2002, and best friends Minnie and Callie are about to start their senior year of high school. Having always lived in Callie's shadow, when their friendship is suddenly upended at the start of the summer, Minnie faces the challenge of establishing her own identity as the school year begins. In the process, she forms a strong and complex bond with Callie's mother, leading her further away from her own working mom and chaotic home.

With thanks to Altitude Films



Paper Tiger (N/C 15+)

SUN 15 NOV

USA/Brazil/Italy | 2026 | 115 mins
Director James Gray
Cast Adam Driver,
Scarlett Johansson, Miles Teller

When former policeman Gary Pearl opens a consulting firm for wealthy clients, he convinces his brother Irwin, a shy engineer leading a modest life, to join him in pursuing the American dream. As the brothers forge ties with the Russian mafia, a faux pas pulls them into a spiral of fear, violence and betrayal that puts their lives at risk.

With thanks to Picturehouse



The Education of Jane Cumming

(N/C 15+)

MON 16 NOV

Germany/Switzerland/UK
2026 | 113 mins
Director Sophie Heldman
Cast Flora Nicholson, Clare Dunne, Mia Tharia, Fiona Shaw

Edinburgh, 1810. Teachers Jane Pirie and Marianne Woods fulfil their dream of opening a boarding school. Their lives are changed forever when a wealthy aristocrat enrols her 'illegitimate' 15-year-old grandchild from India, insisting they look after her over the summer. Private and professional lines blur, affection between them grows and they start to form an unlikely family. Tensions rise as the new term begins. As Jane begins to feel excluded from her new family, she makes a scandalous accusation: that she and Miss Woods are lovers.

With thanks to Conic Films



I See Buildings Fall Like Lightning

(N/C 15+)

MON 16 NOV

UK | 2026 | 110 mins
Director Clio Barnard
Cast Anthony Boyle, Joe Cole, Jay Lycurgo, Daryl McCormack, Lola Petticrew

Based on the novel by the same name, Clio Barnard's new film tells the story of five friends who grew up together on a Birmingham estate, playing, skipping school and dreaming of the lives they would live one day. Now in their thirties, they are confronted with the harsh reality, and the future they once hoped for seems more out of reach than ever.

With thanks to Curzon

HIGHLIGHTS



A Long Winter

(N/C 15+)

TUE 17 NOV

UK/Canada | 2026 | 117 mins
Director Andrew Haigh
Cast Fred Hechinger, Ebon Moss-Bachrach, Caitriona Balfe, Kit Connor, D'Pharaoh Woon-A-Tai

Andrew Haigh (*All of Us Strangers - IFF 2023*) adapts one of Colm Tóibín's most celebrated stories. In 1951, high in Colorado's Rocky Mountains, Mike's world is thrown into uncertainty when his mother vanishes into the wilderness. Alongside his complicated father, and with their small mountain community rallying together against the unforgiving winter, Mike embarks on a search that leads him toward an unexpected journey of self-discovery, belonging and the quiet strength required to carry on.

With thanks to MUBI



Tender Loving Care

(N/C 15+)

WED 18 NOV

UK | 2026 | 107 mins
Director Mike Leigh
Cast Kate O'Flynn, Alice Bailey Johnson, Marion Bailey, Paul Jesson

Mike Leigh (*Hard Truths*, *IFF 2024*) returns with another astute portrait of ordinary lives. Amy (Kate O'Flynn) is a devoted social service worker who puts her heart and soul into her job. At home she finds herself confronting new challenges as her beloved father begins to have issues. Through it all, Amy finds comfort, perspective, and plenty of laughter through sips of wine with her lifelong friend Rosie (Alice Bailey Johnson), whose warmth and wit become a vital anchor as both women navigate the shifting rhythms of approaching middle age.

With thanks to STUDIOCANAL

HIGHLIGHTS



Mārama (15)

FRI 13 NOV

New Zealand/UK | 2025 | 89 mins
English and Maori with subtitles
Director Taratoa Stappard
Cast Ariāna Osborne, Toby Stephens, Umi Myers, Errol Shand

1859. When a young, Māori woman is summoned from New Zealand to North Yorkshire, she uncovers the horrific truth of her colonial heritage, and she must destroy the titled Englishman who has devastated her family.

He mea tuku tēnei kōrero mā roto i te wā whakarīwai o Aotearoa Niu Tīreni
This story is grounded in the colonised history of Aotearoa New Zealand.

Arā ētehi wāhanga mōrihariha he tāmi he takahi i te tapu o te ao Māori
It contains disturbing scenes of the violation and desecration of Māori culture.

E ao ake ai te āpōpō me mārama ki ō tāinahi rā: ka mua ka muri.
To move into our future, we need to understand our past...

With thanks to Vertigo

CINEMA FLASHBACK

FIVE DECADES OF EDEN COURT CINEMA AT 1976 PRICES

Throughout Eden Court's 50th anniversary year, step back in time with classics, cult favourites and rediscovered gems for just 73p - the 1976 price of a cinema ticket when Eden Court first opened. Vive le cinéma!

Find out what's up next:
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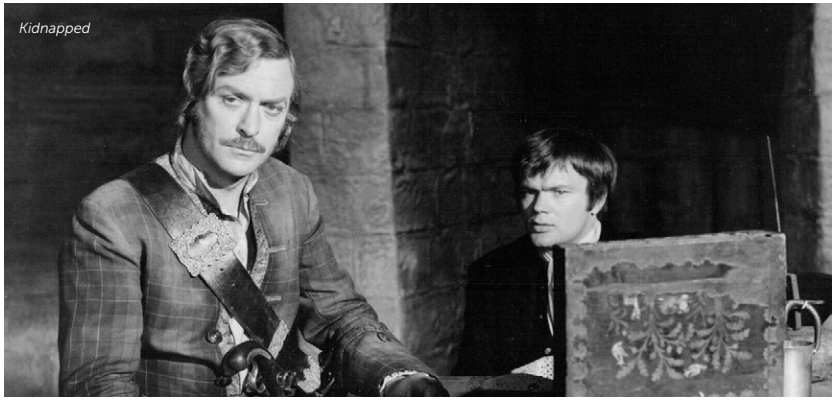
Image: Rocky (1976)


Ghostbusters


Kidnapped


Little Shop of Horrors

Eden Court 50
1976–2026

IFF: On Location

Three films. Three locations. One very special week.

Celebrating Eden Court at 50 with three unforgettable movie experiences in iconic spots across the city, ahead of the festival's official opening.

INVERNESS LIBRARY
Ghostbusters
Sun 08 Nov, 4pm

CULLODEN BATTLEFIELD VISITOR CENTRE
Kidnapped
Tue 10 Nov, 7pm

INVERNESS BOTANIC GARDENS
Little Shop of Horrors
Thu 12 Nov, 7pm

Please note: **IFF: On Location** is exempt from multi-buy ticket deals.

Hot (Out the Oven) Picks

Calle Málaga

Sun 15 + Wed 18 Nov



An essential feel good gem and a celebration of late-in-life freedom that will warm your soul.

Before meeting Abslam, Maria had never experienced such a sensation - though she'd probably never had a XOKO cinnamon roll.

Raise the Red Lantern

Tue 17 Nov



Four wives, one ruthless master, and endless psychological warfare - honestly, less drama than fighting over the last almond and tonka croissant on a Sunday morning. This visual masterpiece has been gloriously remastered, and experiencing that iconic crimson palette and haunting score on the big screen with Eden Court's incredible sound system is pure cinematic perfection.

Santiago: The Camino Therapy

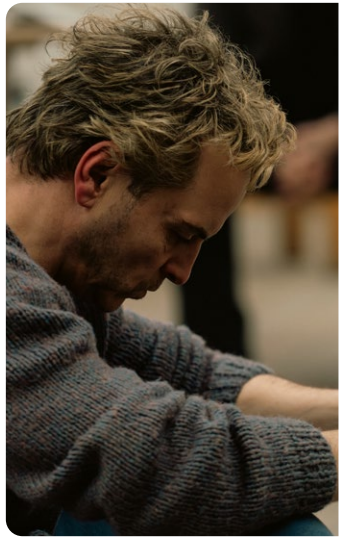
Sun 15 Nov



Walking 800 kilometres to find inner peace? Admirable, but we've transformed many young people through months, or years, of pot wash. This film is a breath-taking journey of second chances with a huge emotional heart.

Elsinore

Sat 14 Nov



This is unmissable and a tribute to an entire generation of gay men who suffered devastation at the heights of the HIV/AIDS crisis. Their courage and defiance paved the way for the freedoms we have today. Andrew Scott's performance honours that legacy with ferocious grace - a vital, deeply moving piece of queer and Scottish history that demands to be witnessed together on the big screen. To be or not to be, that is the question. The answer though is invariably a flat white.

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The Best Summer

(N/C 15+)

FRI 13 NOV

USA | 2026 | 83 mins
Director Tamra Davis
Cast Tamra Davis, Kathleen Hanna, Kim Gordon

The Best Summer plunges audiences into the heart of the 1995 Summersault tour with the Beastie Boys, Sonic Youth, Foo Fighters, Pavement, Rancid, The Amps, and Bikini Kill as they travel across Australia and Southeast Asia. Shot entirely from Tamra Davis's handheld POV camera, the film moves through backstage hallways, onto tour buses, into hotel rooms, and directly onto the stages themselves, capturing an unusually intimate portrait of artists on the road, at a formative moment in their lives and careers.

With thanks to Visit Films



We, The Hated

(N/C 15+)

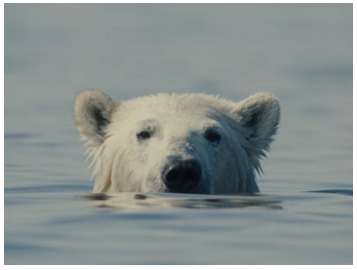
SAT 14 NOV

UK | 2026 | 89 mins
Director Rich Felgate

When his girlfriend gets involved in starting Just Stop Oil – one of the most polarising protest movements in recent memory – director Rich Felgate begins documenting the inside story of how a group of every-day concerned citizens hatch a contentious plan of civil disobedience to wake the country up to the climate emergency, as their controversial protests face mounting repression from the government.

With thanks to Rich Felgate

DOCUMENTARY



Nuisance Bear

(N/C 12+)

SAT 14 NOV

Canada/USA/UK | 2026 | 90 mins
Inuktitut and English with subtitles
Director Gabriela Osio Vanden, Jack Weisman

As its ancient migration collides with modern life, a polar bear is forced to navigate a human world of tourists, wildlife officers, and hunters. When a sacred predator is deemed a nuisance, it becomes unclear who truly belongs in this shared landscape.

Shot with striking intimacy and scale, this film observes bears that are constantly monitored, photographed, and redirected. In tracing this uneasy coexistence, *Nuisance Bear* becomes a meditation on how humans manage, commodify, and redefine wildlife.

With thanks to MUBI



To Hold a Mountain

(N/C 12+)

THU 19 NOV

Serbia/France/Montenegro/Slovenia
2026 | 105 mins
Serbo-Croatian with subtitles
Director Biljana Tutorov, Petar Glomazić
Cast Mileva Gara Jovanović, Nada Stanišić

In the remote highlands of Montenegro's Sinjajevina plateau, Gara and her thirteen-year-old daughter Nada return to their ancestral pastures every summer, living in symbiosis with the mountain they call "Mother." But their fragile world comes under threat when the Montenegrin government advances plans for a NATO-backed military training ground in the heart of this protected landscape. Gara emerges as an unexpected leader in the fight to defend Sinjajevina but, as Nada comes of age, the events awaken questions about her past and her future.

With thanks to MetFilm

TIMETABLE

DAY	VENUE	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00	18.00	19.00	20.00	21.00	22.00
FRI 13 NOV	La Scala									Opening Film - Ink 19.15-21.15			
	Playhouse								Márama 18.30-20.00		The Best Summer 20.30-22.00		
	Cromarty									Rose 19.00-20.30			
SAT 14 NOV	La Scala		Discovery - Wee Ones 12.15-13.00		We, The Hated 14.00-15.30		Nuisance Bear 16.15-17.45		A Talent for Murder (DS) 18.00-19.45		Elsinore 20.00-22.00		
	Playhouse	Short Docs 1 11.30-12.35		Short Docs 2 13.00-14.00	Manipulate Arts 14.15-15.30		All of a Sudden 16.00-19.15				Josephine 19.45-21.45		
	Cromarty									Minotaur 19.00-21.20			
SUN 15 NOV	La Scala		Discover - Families 12.30-13.15		Santiago: The Camino Therapy 14.15-16.15			Mouse 17.15-19.15			Paper Tiger 19.45-21.45		
	Playhouse		Short Cuts 12.00-13.30		Trad Treasures 14.00-15.30		Silent Friend 16.30-19.00				The Beloved 19.30-21.45		
	Cromarty					Calle Málaga 15.00-17.00							
MON 16 NOV	La Scala							The Education of Jane Cumming 17.45-19.45			Rose 20.15-22.00		
	Playhouse							Clarissa 17.30-19.35			I See Buildings Fall Like Lightning 20.00-22.00		
TUE 17 NOV	La Scala							Raise the Red Lantern 17.15-19.20			A Long Winter 19.45-21.45		
	Playhouse							Coward 17.30-19.30			Bunker 20.00-22.05		
WED 18 NOV	La Scala							Calle Málaga 17.30-19.30			Tender Loving Care 19.45-21.40		
	Playhouse				Sheep in the Box 14.00-16.15			Big Girls Don't Cry 17.00-18.45		Inverness Shorts Showcase 19.00-21.00			
THU 19 NOV	La Scala					Zejtune 15.00-17.00			Look Back 18.00-19.45		Closing Film - The Debut 20.00-22.00		
	Playhouse			To Hold a Mountain 13.00-14.45				Bridging the Gap 17.45-19.15			Minotaur 19.45-22.00		

PREVIEWS IN LA SCALA

Fjord: Mon 09 Nov, 19.30-22.00 / **Prima Facie:** Wed 11 Nov, 19.30-21.30

Film Category Key:

Classic · Documentary · Family · Highlight · World · Open/Close · Shorts



Rose (N/C 15+)

FRI 13 + MON 16 NOV

Austria/Germany | 2026 | 94 mins
German with subtitles
Director Markus Schleinzer
Cast Sandra Hüller, Caro Braun

At the beginning of the 17th century, somewhere in Germany, a soldier appears in a secluded protestant village, declaring to be the heir of a long-abandoned farmstead and produces a document to support his claim to the suspicious villagers. Whilst with time he proves to the villagers to be a hard-working, God-fearing man, their suspicions remain, eventually forcing the soldier to an ultimate confrontation.

A rugged vision of strength and vulnerability, Sandra Hüller transcends gender binaries in this enthralling tale of deception, empowerment, and self-invention.

With thanks to MUBI



Minotaur (15)

SAT 14 + THU 19 NOV

France/Latvia/Germany
2026 | 141 mins
Russian with subtitles
Director Andrey Zvyagintsev
Cast Dmitriy Mazurov, Iris Lebedeva, Boris Kudrin, Yuriy Zavalnyouk

After fleeing his native Russia into exile, director Andrey Zvyagintsev (*Leviathan, IFF 2014, Loveless IFF 2017*) returns with a remake of Claude Chabrol's *La femme infidèle*, cleverly adapted to portray Russia's modern-day state of warmongering and corruption.

Gleb is a wealthy and important man in the small city where he lives with his wife and son. When many of his employees are called to be sent to fight in Ukraine, Gleb finds himself mounting corporate pressures and increasingly wary of those around him.

With thanks to MUBI



Santiago: The Camino Therapy (15)

SUN 15 NOV

France/Belgium | 2026 | 114 mins
French with subtitles
Director Yann Samuell
Cast Alexandra Lamy, Julien Le Berne, Maëlle Vidou

A woman carrying a past she is trying to come to terms with and a rebellious teenager struggling to contain his anger, set out on the famous El Camino pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela. The trail becomes a space for both confrontation and healing.

With thanks to Munro Film



Bunker (N/C 15+)

TUE 17 NOV

France/Spain | 2026 | 126 mins
Spanish and English with subtitles
Director Florian Zeller
Cast Javier Bardem, Penélope Cruz, Stephen Graham, Paul Dano, Patrick Schwarzenegger

Miguel is a famous architect who is assigned the most important project of his career: building a luxury survivalist bunker for an eccentric tech billionaire. As he accepts the ambiguous assignment, driven by ambition and a considerable sum of money, his wife Sofia starts to question her husband's choices, the meaning of their life together and the very foundation of their relationship.

With thanks to STUDIOCANAL



All of a Sudden

(N/C 15+)

SAT 14 NOV

France/Japan/Germany/Belgium
2026 | 196 mins
French and Japanese with subtitles
Director Ryusuke Hamaguchi
Cast Virginie Efira, Tao Okamoto, Kyozo Nagatsuka

In the latest, magnetic film by Ryûsuke Hamaguchi (*Drive My Car IFF 2021*, *Evil Does Not Exist IFF 2023*), the encounter between the director of a nursing home in the Paris suburbs and a terminally ill Japanese playwright will transform both women's lives, as they turn the facility into a symbol of resistance and humanity against the system's limits.

With thanks to Curzon

WORLD CINEMA



Silent Friend (N/C 15+)

SUN 15 NOV

Germany/Hungary/France/China
2026 | 147 mins
German, English and Cantonese with subtitles
Director Ildikó Enyedi
Cast Tony Leung, Léa Seydoux, Luna Wedler

In the heart of a botanical garden in the medieval university town of Marburg stands a majestic ginkgo tree, its roots reaching back over a century. Under its watchful presence, the stories of three individuals unfold across three different eras (1908, 1972 and 2020); a pioneering female botany student, a lovestruck young farmer, and a neuroscientist adrift during the pandemic are drawn, in turn, into the tree's orbit, their private struggles and awakenings mirrored by the life force surrounding them.

With thanks to Sovereign Films



The Beloved (N/C 15+)

SUN 15 NOV

Spain | 2026 | 135 mins
Spanish with subtitles
Director Rodrigo Sorogoyen
Cast Javier Bardem, Victoria Luengo, Raúl Arévalo

Acclaimed and controversial film director Esteban Martínez reunites with his estranged daughter Emilia, an unsuccessful actress, to shoot a film together. Esteban offers her a leading role in his new film, a period drama on Spanish colonialism set in Western Sahara, under the false pretense to help her relaunch her career. Soon the film set becomes the stage of a tense standoff between the two, confronting their strained relationship and unresolved past issues that neither wants to address directly.

With thanks to Curzon

Hirokazu Kore-Eda

We're thrilled to present two new films from one of our favourite Japanese directors, Hirokazu Kore-eda, previously screened at the IFF with *I Wish* (2012), *Our Little Sister* (2015), *After the Storm* (2016), *Shoplifters* (2018) and *Monster* (2023).

Sheep in the Box (TBC)

WED 18 NOV

Japan | 2026 | 126 mins
Japanese with subtitles
Director Hirokazu Kore-eda
Cast Haruka Ayase, Daigo Yamamoto, Rimu Kuwaki

Two years after the tragic death of their beloved son Kakeru, Otone and Kensuke decide to adopt a humanoid android that is a replica of their child. While Kensuke is initially sceptical, Otone quickly develops a strong attachment to the android, which carries Kakeru's memories and sees the world as a real child would, eventually beginning to question its own identity and place in the world.

With thanks to Picturehouse.





Look Back (N/C 12+)

THU 19 NOV

Japan | 2026 | 100 mins
Japanese with subtitles
Director Hirokazu Kore-eda
Cast Natsuki Deguchi, Aju Makita

Tatsuki Fujimoto's celebrated coming-of-age manga Look Back is adapted into a live-action feature film by Hirokazu Kore-eda, the acclaimed director of Shoplifters (*IFF 2018*) and Monster (*IFF 2023*), who has crafted a love letter to creativity and friendship.

Fujino, a young girl with complete confidence in her talent for drawing manga, and Kyomoto, a reclusive classmate whose artistic ability far surpasses her own, are brought together by their shared passion for creating manga. We follow their thirteen-year journey from elementary school, with remarkable sensitivity and a vivid sense of youth. Filming took place across all four seasons, allowing the changing landscapes of spring, summer, autumn, and winter to become an integral part of the film.

With thanks to All the Anime



Calle Málaga (N/C 12+)

SUN 15 + WED 18 NOV

Morocco/France/Spain/Germany/
Belgium | 2025 | 116 mins
Spanish and Arabic with subtitles
Director Maryam Touzani
Cast Carmen Maura, Marta Etura,
Ahmed Boulane,
María Alfonso Rosso

María Ángeles (Pedro Almodóvar's muse Carmen Maura), a Spanish woman nearing 80, lives alone in Tangier, Morocco until her daughter suddenly shows up at her front door to sell the apartment. Determined to stay, she does everything she can to reclaim her home and belongings and, in the process, unexpectedly rediscovers love and sensuality.

Moroccan director Maryam Touzani's third feature, following *Adam* (*IFF 2019*) and *The Blue Caftan* (*IFF 2022*), takes audiences on a journey that is heartwarming, sensual, and humorous.



Clarissa (N/C 15+)

MON 16 NOV

USA/Nigeria | 2026 | 125 mins
Director Arie Esiri, Chuko Esiri
Cast Sophie Okonedo,
David Oyelowo, Ayo Adebiri

A wonderfully vivid, contemporary reimagining of Virginia Woolf's 1925 classic Mrs. Dalloway. In contemporary Nigeria, Clarissa, a young well-to-do woman, is preparing to host a party in her own home in Lagos. An unexpected meeting with some friends from her youth prompts her to reflect on the past over the course of the night, revealing old desires and lost aspirations, bringing some bittersweet feelings to the surface.

With thanks to Picturehouse

WORLD CINEMA



Coward (N/C 15+)

TUE 17 NOV

Belgium/France/Netherlands
2026 | 120 mins
French and Flemish with subtitles
Director Lukas Dhont
Cast Emmanuel Macchia,
Valentin Campagne

Set at the height of World War I in the Belgian trenches, Lukas Dhont's *Coward* unfolds as an epic yet intimate journey of youthful self-discovery through love, art and survival. Pierre, a shy young soldier, arrives at the front lines eager to prove himself. His meeting with Francis, a charismatic tailor who leads a front-line theatre company, opens up a whole new world to him.

With thanks to MUBI



Zejtune (N/C 12+)

THU 19 NOV

Malta/Germany/Qatar
2026 | 108 mins
Maltese with subtitles
Director Alex Camilleri
Cast Michela Farrugia, Nenu Borg,
Michael Azzopardi, Frida Cauchi

After her estranged mother's death, Mar plans to leave Malta for good by selling the farmland she's inherited. But as she travels the island to claim her land, she meets Nenu, an irrepressible 80-year-old folk singer whose music and spirit challenge her desire to escape. An unexpected connection between past and present grows as Mar slowly warms to the homeland she wanted to turn her back on.

WORLD CINEMA



Big Girls Don't Cry

(N/C 15+)

WED 18 NOV

New Zealand | 2026 | 99 mins
Director Paloma Schneideman
Cast Ani Palmer, Rain Spencer, Noah Taylor

Increasingly curious about her own desires and intimacy, 14-year-old Sid spends her summer evenings exploring online chatrooms. Her burning desire to experience new things and to fit in pushes her to great lengths, even imitating a group of older teens she yearns to belong to. Paloma Schneideman's acclaimed debut is a queer coming-of-age portrait of the messiness, confusion and intensity of adolescence.

With thanks to Peccadillo Pictures



Raise the Red Lantern (PG)

TUE 17 NOV

China/Hong Kong | 1991 | 125 mins
Mandarin with subtitles
Director Zhang Yimou
Cast Gong Li, Jingwu Ma, Saifei He

Zhang Yimou's classic is back on the big screen in a glorious 4K restoration for its 35th anniversary.

Following her father's death, 19-year-old Songlian is forced to abandon her studies and marry into wealth, becoming the fourth concubine of Master Chen. Every night, in the master's estate, red lanterns are lit outside the chambers of the wife he decides to visit, granting her privilege and status while the others are cast into cold irrelevance. Songlian gradually grows isolated and humiliated until she strikes back, trading secrets and favours to secure her place in Master Chen's hierarchy.

TRAD TREASURES



Trad Treasures: Jimmy Hutchison

SUN 15 NOV

Scotland | 2026 | 40 mins
Gaelic and English with subtitles
Featuring Jimmy Hutchison IN PERSON!

A new documentary celebrating the life and work of Scots and Gaelic singer and traditional weaver Jimmy Hutchison, charting both his life story and the many moments he crossed paths with big names in the Scottish folk revival.

Jimmy is a bearer of Scottish traditional song, born in South Uist where he lived until the age of ten. He learned from the great source singers like Jeannie Robertson, Jimmy McBeath, Davy Stewart and the Stewarts of Blair. He is also a highly skilled handloom weaver.

We are delighted that Jimmy Hutchison will be joining us for the screening, where he will be talking about his life and singing some traditional songs.

"He sings with a craftmanship and intensity which make the senses tingle"

ALISTAIR CLARK - THE SCOTSMAN

FILMLANDS NETWORK PRESENTS

Inverness Shorts Showcase

WED 18 NOV



Filmlands Network presents another showcase of the very best in new and emerging filmmaking talent from across the Highlands and Islands.

THE EVENING



01 Screening

Recently produced Highland short films



02 Q+A

Hear from the filmmakers



03 Drinks

Complimentary networking drinks in the bar

The showcase consists of a screening of recently produced Highland short films followed by a Q+A with the filmmakers, and complimentary networking drinks in the bar afterwards.

Come and join us for a varied and vibrant evening of Highland short films, meet the filmmakers and vote for your favourite on the night.

TICKETS - PAY WHAT YOU CAN

£2 £4 £6 £8

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All films screened will be captioned

Thanks to Screen Scotland for supporting Inverness Shorts Showcase.

Short Cuts (N/C 15+)

SUN 15 NOV 85 mins

Cùil Lodair

Scotland | 2026 | 15 mins
English, Gàidhlig with subtitles
Director Will Nutter
Cast Dòmhnall Eòghainn MacKinnon, Cameron Prince, Isica NicMhoire, Uilleam MacDhòmhnaill

In the aftermath of the Battle of Culloden, Eòin, a defeated Highland soldier, navigates a shattered landscape. Filmed and created by an independent collective of Highland filmmakers, and made possible by the people of Inverness.

Ritchie

Scotland | 2026 | 20 mins
Director Anton McPhilemy
Cast Lewis Cranston, Anton McPhilemy

A young dreamer from Alloa becomes fixated on a long-shot football bet he's convinced will fund his dream move to Stirling.

Geronto

UK | 2026 | 18 mins
Director Mark Pluck
Cast Jason Watkins, Noah Valentine

A short LGBTQ+ drama about longing, connection, and self-discovery. A tender and intimate connection fractures under the weight of a painful misunderstanding, forcing both men to confront their deepest fears.

Guttin' Quines

Scotland| 2026| 11 mins
Director Duncan Forbes
Cast Names Surnames

Newlywed Jeannie struggles to adjust to her new life in a Scottish fishing town, until her mother-in-law, Maggie, insists she join the women gutting fish at the harbour, drawing her into a new community.

Birds

Scotland | 2025 | 8 mins
Director Fin Bain
Cast Joshua Haynes, Joanna Thomson, Lee Hughes

A troubled young man recounts a wild night out as he battles balancing his drug habit and his new responsibilities.

Kiloran Bay

UK | 2026 | 13 mins
Director Michael Bruce
Cast Alan Cumming, Jack Wolfe, David Hayman

Alan Cumming shines in this glorious musical short recalling an emotional coming out origin story rife with nostalgia and danger.

Short Docs 1 (N/C 15+)

SAT 14 NOV 66 mins

Solace

Scotland | 2026 | 7 mins
Director Glenna Morrison

Casta

UK | 2026 | 15 mins
Director Tristan C. Anderson

The Weavers

Scotland | 2026 | 10 mins
Director Callum McCulloch-Nowlan

Come What May

UK | 2026 | 23 mins
Director Amy Warren + Josh Monie

There Once was A Puffin

France/Scotland | 2026 | 11 mins
Director Director La Fille Renne

Short Docs 2 (N/C 12+)

SAT 14 NOV 55 mins

Angus MacDonald: Carradale's Fisherman Artist

Scotland | 2026 | 25 mins
Director Carradale Heritage Media Group

Head Space Machines (A Creative Journey)

UK | 2026 | 30 mins
Director David Newman
Cast Mark Stevens



DISCOVERY FILM FESTIVAL

Discovery Shorts for Wee Ones 2026

(3+)

SAT 14 NOV

France/Belgium/Switzerland/
Germany/Croatia/Singapore
2025-26 | 40 mins
Dialogue free
Director Various

A perfect introduction to the cinema experience for children aged 3+, this collection of seven colourful, dialogue-free short films is sure to delight and amuse. Gathering a variety of animation styles and stories from all over the world, filled with lovely animals and fantastical characters through big and small adventures, the films in this programme focus on curiosity and discovery, surprising friendships; promoting kindness and finding new perspectives.

Discovery Shorts for Families 2026

(7+)

SUN 15 NOV

Romania/Czech Republic/
Belgium/Hungary/Italy/UK
2025-26 | 53 mins
Dialogue free
Director Various

Through a wide range of animation techniques, this wonderful collection of short films for families takes us on a joyous journey across fantastic worlds; populated by fun characters – from brave animals to ancient dinosaurs and magical creatures – these stories celebrate the love of nature, the power of friendship and acceptance towards others, and how collaboration can help us through the toughest challenges.



Manipulate Arts - Scottish Shorts

(N/C 12+)

SAT 14 NOV 65 mins

Manipulate Arts is proud to celebrate Scotland's vibrant and ever-evolving animation scene.

This exciting showcase brings together a diverse collection of contemporary shorts from Scottish based animators who are pushing the boundaries of the form. From bold experimental works to imaginative worlds and thought-provoking social commentaries, each film reflects the creativity, technical skill, and distinctive voice of its maker.

Manipulate Arts Autumn Animation Season is supported by Film Hub Scotland, part of the BFI's Film Audience Network, awarding funding on behalf of Screen Scotland and the BFI National Lottery.



Bridging the Gap: Parallels (N/C 12+)

THU 19 NOV 91 mins

The Scottish Documentary Institute's Bridging the Gap showcases a collection of short documentaries whose stories exist on parallel lines: different worlds and timelines running side by side, never to meet, but that resemble and influence each other.

A vanishing therapeutic community where the residents lead a parallel life to the outside world, held by nature and each other. The stories of two Michaels from the North East fighting queer erasure, or the two stories of two 'Irish Giants' separated by several centuries, who share a rare condition but have led very different lives. The slow burning uncertain end of a refinery in a small town in Scotland echoes the rising tensions between renters and landlords. And finally, our own discord with the natural world as reflected through feral cats.



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I See Buildings Fall Like Lightning
(dir. Clio Barnard)

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