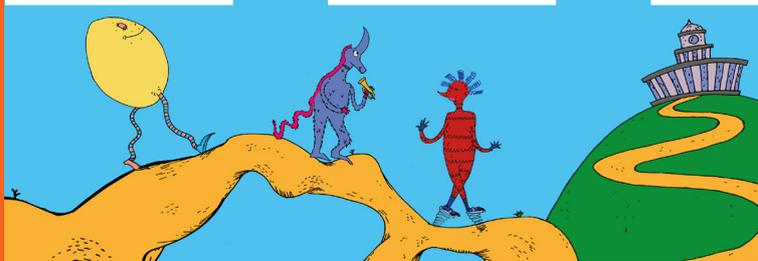


# Leeds Young Film Festival

Mon 10 - Thu  
20 April 2017

The UK's largest family film event returns for Easter 2017



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### The Largest Family Film Event in the UK!

Leeds Young Film Festival returns for its 18th edition and is bigger than ever. In addition to the festival favourites The Film House, Animation Central and Reel Kids, for 2017 we have added the brand new VR Zone, with a Virtual Reality programme especially curated for families. Make sure you check out our amazing LEGO events over Easter weekend.



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### Are you a young animator? Enter and you could win £100

The YAY! Award is a brand new competition for young animators up to the age of 14 from the UK and continues the festival's tradition of supporting young creatives who are passionate about film.

Part of Animation Central, LYFF's hub for exciting animation workshops and masterclasses, the Young Animator of the Year Award showcases and celebrates the incredible talent, imagination and drive young people pour into animated short films.

All kinds of animated short films produced by young individuals and groups of friends can be entered to the competition in one of two age categories: Up to 9 year-olds and 10-14 year-olds. **The winner in each age category will receive our prestigious Young Animator of the Year trophy and £100 towards their next film. The deadline to submit films is Monday 20 March 2017.**

To enter go to the [leedsyoungfilm.com](http://leedsyoungfilm.com) website and download the entry form.

### LYFF Young Jury



### Aged 8+? Love Film? Join LYFF Young Jury!

**Do you enjoy watching films and talking about them with your friends? Would you like to see lots of new films for FREE? Join the Young Jury and you get to see new films before anyone else, maybe make some new friends and even pick the winning LYFF 2017 films.**

Being on the Young Jury is fun and absolutely FREE. You get to be part of the Leeds Young Film Festival team, get a free VIP pass to the Film Festival, a T-shirt and goodie-bag. We'll provide training on how to review films so that you feel confident about picking the festival's winners.

All the films in competition will be shown at Hyde Park Picture House between Monday 10th and Thursday 13th April. There will be eight films in competition (two per day) and you must be able to attend four of the screenings.

If you are aged 8+ and are interested in taking part please email [caroline.doering@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:caroline.doering@leeds.gov.uk) with your name and age by Fri 31 March.



LYFF2017 encourages families to ditch the tablets and TV, the re-runs and the overpriced multiplex, and watch films with the whole family on the big screen for pocket-money prices.

Bring your very little ones for their very first cinema experience with relaxed, activity-based screenings.

In support of Leeds' bid to be the 2023 European Capital of Culture, films from the EU take the spotlight.

There's even a chance to re-watch all the 2017 Oscar nominated animated films, as well as some of the best adaptations of beloved children's books and we go back in time with a fascinating look at Rural Life in Britain plus a screening of Ken Loach's remarkable film, Kes.

With over 40 films on offer, there really is something for everyone!

**Before 6pm: £3 per child, £5 per adult or £10 per family (4 people, max 2 adults) \***

**After 6pm: £5 per child, £8/£7 adult**

**\* Except special events where prices are as indicated**

**Pokémon V: Heroes + Pokémon GO hunt**



**Sat 15 April, 4:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Jim Malone, Kunihiko Yuyama, Japan, 2002,**  
**71 min, English**



Join us for lots of Pokémon fun as we give you the chance to revisit Ash, Pikachu and the rest of the Pokemon gang's effort to try and defeat the thieves who are hiding in the canals of the water capital, Alto Mare. We also meet two brand new Pokémons, Latias and her brother Latios - will they be able to keep the Droplet of the Heart treasure safe?

Join other Pokémon hunters outside the Hyde Park Picture House before the screening at 3pm before setting off into Hyde Park area to search for Pokémon. We will be setting a time limit of 1 hour for you to go with your parents and catch yourselves as many Pokémon as you can and then back at Hyde Park Picture House there will be a prize giving ceremony for the most successful hunters before the screening.

There will be another Pokémon Go hunt plus a screening of Pokémon IV: 4Ever at Carriageworks Theatre at 11:30am (see page 38).

**Fantasy, Action, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Pokémon The Movie, The Lego Batman Movie  
**See also:** Pokémon IV: 4Ever, Your Name, Long Way North

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**The Gruffalo & Room on the Broom**



**Fri 14 April, 10:30am, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Approx 90 mins, including activity**  
**£8 per person, free for children under 3**



The thought of visiting the cinema with younger children can sometimes be quite daunting, right? Don't worry we've got you covered.

Boomchikkaboom specialise in relaxed screenings and here's a great chance to enjoy Julia Donaldson's wonderful stories brought to life on the big screen with your little ones. There will be lots of activities to get involved in before and after the screening as well as some special treats in the interval between the films.

**Fantasy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Stick Man, Wallace and Gromit, The Snowman  
**See also:** Raven the Little Rascal, Molly Monster, Super Furry Animals

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**Beauty and the Beast**



**Fri 14 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Gary Trousdale & Kirk Wise, USA, 1991, 84 min**  
**£8 per person, free for children under 3**



Come and join us for a relaxed screening of Disney's classic animated fantasy tale of Beauty and the Beast with activity provided by Boomchikkaboom.

Expect a relaxed, unique and fun atmosphere for the whole family to enjoy this special screening together. Before the movie have some fun in our photobooth, and as you're seated Boomchikkaboom will have all cinema adventurers, big and small raring to go for the movie! There will be mid-movie treats for all and we'll be finishing the screening with music and bubbles galore.

**Fantasy, Adventure, Romance**

**See this if you liked:** The Lion King, Shrek, Frozen  
**See also:** Beauty and the Beast (2017), The Rescuers, Molly Monster

**Sheep and Wolves**



**Mon 10 April, 10:30am, Hyde Park Picture House** U (5+)  
**Dirs. Andrey Galat & Maxim Volkov, Russia, 2016, 97 min, English**

When a pack of wolves set up camp near their beloved village, a flock of sheep try to figure out how to live side by side with their new neighbours. The evil wolf Ragear wants to return the pack to a life of hunting and killing but Grey, a hapless but loveable fool, takes on the challenge of proving to everyone, including his fiancée Bianca, that he is worthy of being the leader. All is going well until he meets some bunny gypsies and accidentally drinks a magical potion that turns him into a ram.

*Recommended 5+ due to scenes of peril.*

**Comedy, Fantasy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** The Lion King, Zootropolis  
**See also:** Finding Dory, Master Spy, Pete's Dragon

**Super Furry Animals**



**Tue 11 April, 10:30am, Hyde Park Picture House** U (3+)  
**Dir. Denis Chernov, Russia, 2016, 85 min, English**

The cute animal inhabitants of Kikoriki Island are flying to the science fair where they are going to show off their new invention - a helmet called "The Improverisor". Unfortunately the invention malfunctions and swaps the personality of young Wally with a caterpillar, causing mayhem. Crashlanding in the jungle they find themselves under attack from an angry primitive tribe, rogue treasure hunters and even an erupting volcano. Can Wally get his body back and return everything to normal before it's too late?

*Recommended 3+ as suitable for all.*

**Comedy, Fantasy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Angry Birds Movie, Rio  
**See also:** Raven the Little Rascal, Mr. Frog, The Gruffalo

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**Raven the Little Rascal: The Great Race**



**Wed 12 April, 10:30am, Hyde Park Picture House** U (3+)  
**Dirs. Sandor Jesse & Ute von Münchow-Pohl, Germany, 2015, 73 min, English**

Based on a series of famous German children's books, Raven the Little Rascal is constantly making mischief and getting into trouble. After accidentally destroying the animals' winter food supply with his go-cart he enters a race where he has a chance of winning 100 gold coins to buy replacement food for his friends. But the other racers have much better cars and more experience - will he be able to find a way to win and ensure the animals don't starve? Lots of fun for all the family, including some great songs to sing along to.

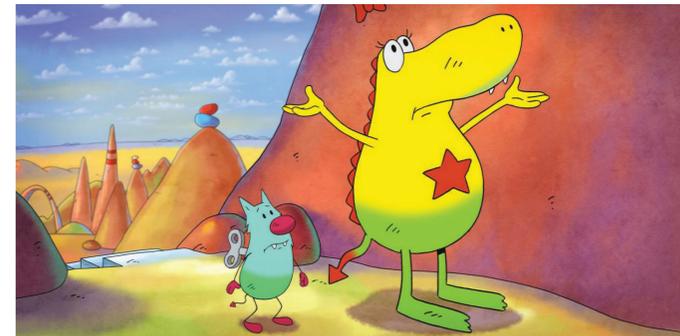
*Recommended 3+ as suitable for all.*

**Comedy, Action, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Winnie the Pooh, Peppa Pig, Cars  
**See also:** Super Furry Animals, Mr. Frog, Revolting Rhymes

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**Molly Monster**



**Thu 13 April, 10:30am, Hyde Park Picture House** U (3+)  
**Dirs. Ted Sieger, Michael Ekbladh & Matthias Bruhn, Switzerland / Germany / Sweden, 2016, 72 min, English**

Young Molly Monster doesn't understand why she can't go with her parents to Monster Island, where her mother is due to give birth to her baby brother, who is almost ready to hatch from his egg. Rather than stay with her uncles she decides to follow her parents, but gets into several mishaps along the way. A quirky animation in a unique style reminiscent of Dr. Seuss with lots of bright colourful characters and entertaining songs to sing along to.

*Recommended 3+ as suitable for all.*

**Fantasy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Horton Hears A Who  
**See also:** The Cat in the Hat, Moana, Easter Eggstravaganza

**Fortune Favours the Brave**



**Mon 10 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Norbert Lechner, Germany, 2016, 96 min,**  
**German with English subtitles** **PG (8+)**

When 11 year-old Linh's single mother has to leave Germany to return to Vietnam on a family emergency, she leaves Linh in charge of her younger sister and the family takeaway. Trying to cope with this newfound responsibility she attracts the unwanted attention of her neighbour, Pauline, another 11 year old, who thinks that a life without parents is the coolest thing ever. Soon though the three girls find themselves on an adventure and discover that life without parents isn't all it's cracked up to be.

*Recommended 8+ due to subtitles.*

**Drama**

**See this if you liked:** Home Alone, The Girl  
**See also:** Long Way North, A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, Moana

**Wild Soccer Bunch**



**Mon 10 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Joachim Masannek, Germany, 2016, 96 min,**  
**German with English subtitles** **PG (8+)**

Leo, Elias, Finn, Joshua, Oskar and Matze are 8 to 12 years old and obsessed with football. They have heard about the legends of the original Wild Soccer Bunch and love to replay the matches on their homemade pitch. One day a dark-clad young man gives them a mysterious map, which leads the boys to a secret training ground where they discover that they have been chosen to be the successors of the real, now grown-up Wild Soccer Bunch. The gang have to start training with coach Willi, the best coach of them all, get the Devil's Gulch pitch ready, and deal with the fact that their newest player is a girl...

*Recommended 8+ due to subtitles.*

**Action, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Bend it Like Beckham  
**See also:** Antboy 3, Zip & Zap and the Captain's Island, Action Kids

**Long Way North**



**Tue 11 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Rémi Chayé, France / Denmark, 2015, 81 min,**  
**English** **PG**

Sasha is a young aristocrat in St Petersburg, 1882. Her grandfather is a world renowned explorer but when he fails to return from his expedition to the North Pole he and the family face dishonour. Determined to save her family's reputation and to find out what happened to her beloved grandfather, Sasha runs away and heads into the Great North following in his footsteps.

**Drama, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Anastasia, Moana  
**See also:** Credible Likeable Superstar Role Model, The BFG

**At Eye Level**



**Tue 11 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dirs. Joachim Dollhopf & Evi Goldbrunner, Germany,**  
**2016, 98 min, German with English subtitles** **12A**

Following his mother's death, orphan Michi has to live in a children's home where he struggles to stand up for himself. One day he discovers the whereabouts of his real dad and decides to track him down. Hoping that Tom is cool, Michi is dismayed to discover that he is a dwarf and the opposite of his idea of manliness and strength. When the other kids at the home find out he is embarrassed and runs away. With nowhere else to go he moves in with Tom who is new to the whole parenting thing. Both have to come to terms with massive changes in their lives and Michi has to decide whether to remain disappointed with his father or give him a chance.

*Recommended 12+ due to theme, sexual references, scenes of bullying and one use of very strong language.*

**Drama**

**See this if you liked:** A Monster Calls, About A Boy, Mrs Doubtfire  
**See also:** My Life as a Courgette, Pete's Dragon, Kes

**Master Spy**



**Wed 12 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Pieter van Rijn, Netherlands, 2016, 74 min,**  
**Dutch with English subtitles** **U (7+)**

While working undercover at the seaside as a spy in the 1970s, Simon is discovered and ends up being cryogenically frozen. Nearly 50 years later he is discovered and thawed out by Tim, a young boy who has moved from the city with his parents to open an old hotel. Simon still has a case to solve and with the help of Tim, some gadgets from the 1970s combined with modern technology, they set off to unmask the villain, rescue Simon's old partner and save the world.

*Recommended 7+ due to subtitles.*

**Action, Adventure, Comedy**

**See this if you liked:** Spy Kids, Danger Mouse, Harriet the Spy  
**See also:** Mr Frog, The LEGO Batman Movie, E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial

**Zip & Zap and the Captain's Island**



**Wed 12 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Oskar Santos, Spain, 2016, 105 min, Spanish**  
**with English subtitles** **PG (8+)**

Following the success of Zip & Zap and the Marble Gang at LYFF 2016, the mischievous brothers return in another exciting adventure. After burning down a toy shop their parents cancel Christmas and force the boys to go on a boring boat trip to a remote island. Sheltering from a storm at the mansion of the eccentric Miss Pam the boys discover a magical world where children can do what they want and parents are non-existent. Waking to be told that their parents have abandoned them on the island Zip and Zap are initially overjoyed, but soon discover that there is a mysterious secret behind the island and its strange inhabitants.

*Recommended 8+ due to age of characters, scenes of peril and subtitles.*

**Fantasy, Action, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children, Peter Pan, Zip & Zap and the Marble Gang  
**See also:** Wild Soccer Bunch, Antboy 3, Action Kids

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**Mr Frog**



**Thu 13 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Anna van der Heide, Netherlands, 2016, 83 min,**  
**English** **U (5+)**

A normal afternoon, an ordinary class, where children stare at their favourite teacher. "Croaaak!", they say and laugh. But who would have thought he can actually turn into a frog? It turns out their teacher has two lives – one as a normal human and one as a jumpy, green amphibian – and days become much more exciting for animal loving 6 year-old Sita and her friends. When a stork moves closer to their school, Mr. Frans is in real danger! Based on the novel by bestselling Dutch author Paul van Loon.

*Recommended 5+ due to scenes of mild peril.*

**Fantasy, Comedy, Drama**

**See this if you liked:** Matilda, Grandpa in My Pocket, Horrid Henry  
**See also:** Raven the Little Rascal, Molly Monster, Zootropolis

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**Antboy 3**



**Thu 13 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Ask Hasselbalch, Denmark, 2016, 85 min,**  
**English** **PG (8+)**

An arch enemy out of prison, a new villain striving to rule the world and a mysterious superhero on the horizon to steal his spotlight. Summer holidays looked so sweet before it all went wrong for Pelle, who watches over the town of Middellund as young superhero Antboy. But with his best friend Wilhelm having lost all interest in saving the world and his arch-nemesis The Flea released from prison, Pelle will need to find new alliances to fight the rising evil. Alone, who can you ask for help when everything seems against you?

*Recommended 8+ due to age of characters, scenes of peril and moderate violence.*

**Action, Sci-fi, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Antboy, Spider-Man, The Incredibles  
**See also:** Wild Soccer Bunch, Master Spy, The LEGO Batman Movie

**The Jungle Book**



**Sun 16 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Jon Favreau, USA / UK, 2016, 106 min, English**



Celebrate the 50th anniversary of this Disney classic with the phenomenally gorgeous live-action retelling of Rudyard Kipling's stories. Join man-cub Mowgli as he begins his adventures through the jungle he grew up in after a threat from the villainous tiger Shere Khan. With jaw-dropping landscapes and stunning visual effects that bring Mowgli's friends, black panther Bagheera and the lazy bear who looks for the bear necessities, Baloo to life.



**Fantasy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** The Lion King, Jumanji, Shrek  
**See also:** Pete's Dragon, The BFG, The Rescuers

**Revoltin' Rhymes**



**Mon 17 April, 11am, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Approx 90 mins, including activity**  
**£8 per person, free for children under 3**



Roald Dahl's parody book of traditional folk tales is beautifully recreated for the screen by Magic Light Studio (The Gruffalo, Room on the Broom) with an all-star voice cast including Dominic West, David Walliams, Rob Brydon and Tamsin Greig. The classic fairy stories of Little Red Riding Hood, Snow White, The Three Little Pigs, Jack & the Beanstalk and Cinderella are mixed together and served with a mischievous twist.

Boomchikkaboom will be providing lots of activities to get involved in before and after the screening as well as some special treats in the interval between the films. Expect a relaxed, unique and fun atmosphere for the whole family to enjoy this special screening together.



**Fantasy, Adventure, Comedy**

**See this if you liked:** Horrible Histories, Fungus the Bogeyman, Maleficent  
**See also:** The BFG, Mr. Frog, Easter Eggstravaganza, The Gruffalo

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**The BFG**



**Mon 17 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Steven Spielberg, USA / India, 2016, 117 min, English**



Sophie has no idea of the adventure she's about to go on as she sneaks around the orphanage at night. She doesn't know she'll be on a mission to defeat Bloodbottler, Fleshlumpeater and other mean giants who want to eat children. She doesn't know that she'll soon be drinking frobscottle and whizzpopping with the Queen. All thanks to the marvellous BFG, played beautifully by Oscar-winner Mark Rylance, in this heartwarming and hilarious update of Roald Dahl's classic story. Glorumpitious fun for all the family.



**Fantasy, Adventure, Drama**

**See this if you liked:** Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, The Witches  
**See also:** Pete's Dragon, Kubo and the Two Strings, E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial

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**The Princess Bride**



**Mon 17 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Rob Reiner, USA, 1987, 98 min, English**



'Heroes. Giants. Villains. Wizards. True Love. Not just your basic, average, everyday, ordinary, run-of-the-mill, ho-hum fairy tale.' While poorly at home, a young boy's grandad cheers him up by reading him an ancient story called The Princess Bride; Buttercup is destined to be married to the dastardly Prince Humperdinck, whom she does not love. When he kidnaps her before their wedding, Westley, her real childhood sweetheart shows up, in the guise of hero Dread Pirate Roberts to throw a spanner in the works. Will Westley and his friend the great swordsman Inigo Montoya be able to defeat the evil prince in time? And what will the feisty Buttercup have to say about all this? Celebrate the 30th anniversary of this thrilling all-time cinematic classic.

**Comedy, Action, Adventure, Romance**

**See this if you liked:** Enchanted, Labyrinth, The Never-Ending Story  
**See also:** Beauty and the Beast, Your Name

**The Rescuers 40th Anniversary Screening**



**Sat 15 April, 10am, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dirs. John Lounsbery, Wolfgang Reitherman & Art Stevens, USA, 1977, 78 min, English**



When a bottle containing a cry for help from a little girl named Penny makes its way to the Rescue Aid Society, (a mouse organisation in the basement of the United Nations building dedicated to the rescue and well-being of anyone in need) it is up to the brave mouse Miss Bianca and her partner, the shy janitor Bernard, to rescue the girl from the clutches of the cruel Madame Medusa and her two pet crocodiles. With assistance from Orville the albatross and a dragonfly called Evinrude they follow Madame Medusa to Devil's Bayou where Penny is being held on a riverboat.

Calling all wannabe heroes - enrol in the Rescue Aid Society and promise to always help people in need. Join us in singing the themesong and get a certificate to confirm you are a member of the Leeds Rescue Aid Society!

**Comedy, Adventure, Musical**

**See this if you liked:** 101 Dalmations, A Bug's Life  
**See also:** Raven the Little Rascal: The Great Race, Finding Dory, Mr Frog

**The LEGO Batman Movie**



**Sun 16 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Chris McKay, USA / Denmark, 2017, 104 min, English**



The LEGO Batman Movie is smart, funny and fast-paced and proves that the first LEGO film wasn't a fluke; taking one of the original film's favourite characters and giving him his own film was a stroke of brick-shaped genius. With things changing in Gotham, Batman is struggling to deal with his past, his loneliness, the Joker's attempt to take over the city and raising the boy he adopted. Perhaps if he lightened up a bit and tried to work with others, he might find life easier.

If you love The LEGO Batman Movie, make sure to enrol on the LEGO Animation Workshops at Animation Central at Carriageworks Theatre, where you can make your own animated version of the movie. See pages 30 - 31

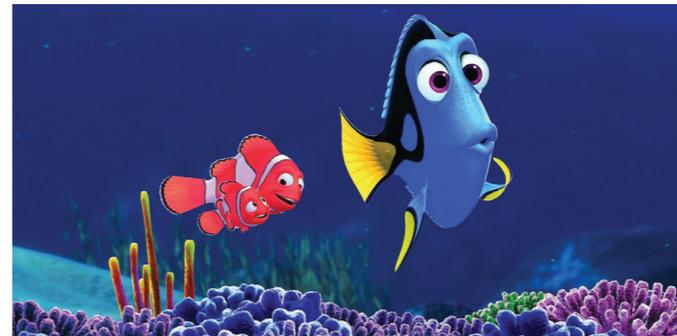


**Comedy, Action, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** The LEGO Movie, The Avengers, Star Wars  
**See also:** Antboy 3, Pokemon V: Heroes, Wild Soccer Bunch

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**Finding Dory**



**Sat 15 April, 12pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dirs. Andrew Stanton & Angus MacLane, USA, 2016, 97 min, English. Tickets £1.50 (child) & £5 (adult)**



The fan-favourite fishes return for another underwater adventure, as the forgetful Dory begins an adventure to find her parents who she was separated with when she was a child. Along with Nemo and Marlin, Dory must overcome many challenges, including her memory loss and freeing her family from captivity at the Marine Life Institute. Voiced by Emmy-winning talk show host Ellen DeGeneres who was a firm audience favourite after the original 'Finding Nemo' in 2003.

The screening will also include a free workshop with activity sheets.



**Comedy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Finding Nemo, Toy Story, Homeward Bound  
**See also:** Molly Monster, Mr Frog, The Rescuers

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**Pete's Dragon**



**Mon 17 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. David Lowery, USA, 2016, 103 min, English**



Following the death of his parents in a car crash 5-year-old Pete is rescued and befriended by a big green furry dragon, whom he names Eliot, after his favourite book. Six years later, Pete is discovered living wild in the forest by a team of lumberjacks and is taken back to civilisation. Eliot, alone and worried about his friend goes after him, alerting the authorities to his existence. Pete tries to return to Eliot but with hunters following him, it could mean trouble for the big friendly dragon...



**Fantasy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Monsters Inc, The Iron Giant, A Monster Calls  
**See also:** The BFG, Sheep and Wolves, The Jungle Book

## E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial



**Fri 14 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Steven Spielberg, USA, 1982, 115 min, English**



Following the global success of Stranger Things we look back at the film that influenced the series and remains one of the greatest family films of all time. Steven Spielberg's timeless sci-fi classic is a story about friendship, loyalty and family which also tackles the theme of science vs. religion. The story, the acting and cinematography are excellent and John William's legendary score gives the film an extra dimension. Join Elliot and his sister Gertie (Drew Barrymore) as they try to help a friendly alien escape Earth and return home.

### Fantasy, Adventure

**See this if you liked:** Super 8, Stranger Things, The Goonies  
**See also:** Master Spy, Zip & Zap and the Captain's Island, Pete's Dragon

## Action Kids



**Wed 12 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dirs. Various, USA / UK / Australia, 2013-16,**  
**Approx 90 min, English** **12A**

The films collected in this programme celebrate young people from around the world who have a passion and drive for adventure and who overcome incredible odds to be the best they can be in their chosen sports.

- Tom Seipp - A Mountain Journal** (UK, 2015, 8 min)
- Quincy Symonds - Tiny Surfer** (Australia, 2013, 7 min)
- Reel Rock - Young Guns** (USA, 2016, 27 min)
- Builder** (USA, 2015, 48 min)

See website for more details about each film.

*Recommended 12+ due to scenes of injury and one use of strong language.*

### Documentary, Action, Adventure

**See also:** Wild Soccer Bunch, Magnus

## Magnus



**Tue 11 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Benjamin Ree, Norway, 2016, 78 min, English**



Norwegian chess prodigy Magnus Carlsen, nicknamed 'the Mozart of chess', became a grandmaster at age 13 and the youngest ever world champion just 10 years later. This remarkable and entertaining documentary will have you enthralled, whether you are an avid chess player or not. Following Magnus from child prodigy through all the trials and tribulations to finally reaching the world final in India, the film is an engaging study of genius and a glimpse into a unique mind that works unlike anyone else's. It is impossible not to like Magnus and root for him as he competes to achieve the single thing he has dreamed about for his entire life.

### Documentary

**See this if you liked:** Queen of Katwe, Man on Wire, Spellbound  
**See also:** Life, Animated, Credible Likeable Superstar Role Model

## Credible Likeable Superstar Role Model



**Tue 18 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Rebecca Brand, UK, 2014, 73 min, English** **12A**

A 'pop-u-mentary' following award-winning performance artist Bryony Kimmings and her niece Taylor as they try to combat the hyper-sexualised and commercialised world of pop. For Taylor, the ideal superstar has to be a pop-singing palaeontologist, a little shy, a little nerdy but always brave enough to make her voice heard. Lucky for the nine-year-old, her performance artist aunt turns herself into just this superstar and with professional help they go on a journey to make their alternative popstar world famous. But the impact it has closer to home is perhaps most powerful of all.

**We are pleased to welcome the director Rebecca Brand and co-star Taylor to the screening for a Q&A following the film.**

*Recommended 12+ due to one use of strong language.*

### Documentary, Musical

**See this if you liked:** Katy Perry: Part of Me  
**See also:** Fortune Favours the Brave, Beauty and the Beast, Life, Animated

**My Life as a Courgette**



**Mon 10 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Claude Barras, Switzerland / France, 2016,**  
**70 min, English**



Nine year-old Icare insists people call him Courgette at the group home he finds himself living at following the death of his alcoholic mum. At first he struggles to fit in with the other orphans but Raymond, a friendly police officer helps him find his place and make new friends and possibly even find true love. This brilliant and often funny film, a prize winner at Cannes Film Festival, is a unique take on a child's experience, dealing with the facts in a way which neither condescends or scares younger audiences.

**Drama**

**See this if you liked:** A Monster Calls, Coraline, Frankenweenie  
**See also:** At Eye Level, What Makes Me Happy

**The Red Turtle**



**Thu 13 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Michael Dudok de Wit, Japan / France / Belgium,**  
**2016, 80 min, No dialogue**



The first non-Japanese co-production from the legendary Studio Ghibli is a truly enchanting and visually stunning animated feature from Dutch filmmaker Michael Dudok de Wit. Entirely dialogue free, The Red Turtle is a magical fairy story about a man stranded on a deserted island. While trying to escape he encounters a mysterious red turtle who tries to prevent his escape. Encompassing both fantasy and realist storytelling, the film takes you on a dazzling and emotional journey over an entire lifetime.

*Recommended 8+ due to theme, age of characters and one scene of animal cruelty*

**Fantasy, Drama**

**See this if you liked:** When Marnie Was Here, Robinson Crusoe  
**See also:** My Life as a Courgette, Moana, Your Name

**Zootropolis**



**Fri 14 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dirs. Byron Howard & Rich Moore, USA, 2016,**  
**108 min, English**



Rookie cop bunny Judy Hopps has just 48 hours to solve a seemingly impossible case before being booted off the force. Teaming up with wily fox Nick Wilde, this unlikely duo set off to find the criminal that has been unleashing wild animals on an unsuspecting population. Packed full of sly hints and references that both kids and adults will enjoy, this movie truly has something for everyone.



**Action, Comedy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Monsters Inc., Up!, Kung Fu Panda  
**See also:** Sheep and Wolves, Kubo and the Two Strings, The Rescuers

**Moana**



**Sat 15 April, 2pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dirs. Ron Clements & John Musker, USA, 2016,**  
**107 min, English**



Another chance to see this epic and uplifting tale of one girl's mission to heal a whole island. Join Moana as she answers the call of the Pacific Ocean to try and find the demigod that has taken the heart of the goddess of their island, Te Whiti. She must convince him to bring it back otherwise there will be no crops and no fish. Captivating mythology from Ancient Polynesia in this refreshing take on the hero's quest.



**Action, Comedy, Drama**

**See this if you liked:** Brave, Whale Rider, Frozen  
**See also:** Long Way North, Fortune Favours the Brave, Kubo and the Two Strings

**Kubo and the Two Strings**



**Wed 19 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Travis Knight, USA, 2016, 101 min, English**



Young, one-eyed Kubo has magical powers and can create origami creatures that come to life when he plays his shamisen (a kind of guitar). After a battle against the evil Sisters his mother sends him on a quest in the company of Monkey and Beetle to find the magical armour that will enable him to defeat Raiden the Moon King, who wants to take his other eye and force Kubo to join him.

The latest stop-motion film from Laika Studios (Coraline, Paranorman) is a stunning journey into Japanese mythology about magic, monsters and the power of memory with voices from Charlize Theron, Art Parkinson, Ralph Fiennes, Rooney Mara, George Takei, and Matthew McConaughey.

**Fantasy, Action, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Coraline, Spirited Away, The Karate Kid  
**See also:** Moana, Fortune Favours the Brave, The BFG

**Life, Animated** (Autism Friendly Screening)



**Sun 16 April, 11am, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Roger Ross Williams, USA, 2016, 89 min, English**  
**£1.50 (Child), £5 (Adult)**



As a child Owen Suskind's autism prevented him from speaking until he discovered a unique way of communicating through the medium of Disney animated films. Able to relate to the characters and using dialogue memorised from repeatedly watching the films, Owen found the tools he needed to understand, communicate and connect with the world around him. This inspirational documentary looks back at Owen's life from introverted child with autism to successful, socially active adult.

*This film is showing as part of Hyde Park Picture House's Autism Friendly screenings. These screenings feature raised lighting levels, prompt start times and customers are free to move more freely around the cinema. For more details please visit the Hyde Park Picture House website.*

**Documentary**

**See this if you liked:** The Lion King, X+Y, A Beautiful Mind  
**See also:** Magnus, Credible Likeable Superstar Role Model, Action Kids

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**Your Name**



**Sat 15 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Makoto Shinkai, Japan, 2016, 106 min,**  
**Japanese with English subtitles**



Your Name is now the highest-grossing anime film of all time and is still incredibly popular with fans requesting repeat screenings across the world. Leeds Young Film is happy to bring the film back to the big screen as part of the festival programme.

Mitsuha, a high school girl living in a remote town in the mountains, is bored of country life and wishes she were a handsome Tokyo boy. Not long after, she and Taki, a high school boy living in Tokyo, begin switching bodies intermittently. They communicate by leaving notes in Mitsuha's notebook and memos on Taki's phone. One day, Taki wakes up back in his body and tries to contact Mitsuha but fails so decides to visit her hometown, where he discovers the incredible and unbelievable truth.

**Fantasy, Sci-Fi, Romance**

**See this if you liked:** When Marnie Was There, Donnie Darko  
**See also:** The Red Turtle, My Life as a Courgette, The Princess Bride

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**A Tree Grows in Brooklyn**



**Tue 18 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Elia Kazan, USA, 1945, 124 min, English**



One of the earliest films to portray a strong young female role model, Peggy Ann Garner received the Academy Juvenile Award for her performance as Francie Nolan in this remarkable story about a girl and her poor Irish-American family living in Brooklyn, New York, in the early 20th century. Francie dreams of attending a better school which will give her a brighter future but with her father out of work it looks like Francie may have to give up school altogether. Elia Kazan was one of Hollywood's most influential directors and directed 21 actors to Oscar nominations, including 9 wins. He was responsible for introducing the world to Marlon Brando and James Dean. A Tree Grows in Brooklyn was his directorial debut.

**Drama**

**See also:** Fortune Favours the Brave, The Bicycle Thieves, The BFG

**The Bicycle Thieves**



**Wed 19 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Vittorio De Sica, Italy, 1948, 94 min, Italian with English Subtitles**



Antonio Ricci is desperate for work, he's overjoyed when he's finally given a job putting up posters. There's a catch, though, he needs a bike in order to do it. The family is so desperate that they even sell their bedlinen in exchange for one. Antonio heads off to his first day at work with his son Bruno, truly happy for the first time in years - but can things stay that way? Back by popular demand and still poignant today, a chance for a whole new generation to enjoy the charm and humour of this memorable classic.

**Drama**

**See also:** A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, Finding Dory

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**Britain on Film: Rural Life**



**Wed 19 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Various, UK, 1904-1981, 75 min, English**



Britain on Film: Rural Life takes audiences down the country lanes of the past, meandering through the dwindling customs of another era. Be swept up in the homemade entertainment and giggles of children at the country fair and the joyful freedoms of the dance in the village hall. Touching on all the technological, industrial and social changes that affected our countryside throughout the 20th century, these films evoke and encourage not only nostalgia, but also broader and more meaningful reflections on the nature of rural life and village communities in the UK today.

*The ICO is a national organisation for the development and support of independent film exhibition in the UK.*



**Documentary**

**See also:** Kes, Golden Owl Winners 2017, What Makes Me Happy

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**Kes**



**Thu 20 April, 3:30pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Ken Loach, UK, 1969, 112 min, English**



Bullied at school and ignored at home, Billy Casper finds and trains the kestrel falcon, Kes. The kids at school think this is great and things look bright for Billy but tragedy is just around the corner. Nearly 50 years on, this stunning film about a young Yorkshire lad who finds happiness befriending a bird of prey is still as powerful and moving as ever, which is probably why Ken Loach is still winning awards today.

**Drama**

**See also:** My Life as a Courgette, Britain on Film: Rural Life, At Eye Level

Leeds Golden Owl Award Winners 2017



Thu 20 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House  
 Approx. 60 min  
**FREE but you need to reserve tickets by calling box office**

Your one and only chance to see all the winning films from the 2017 Leeds Young Filmmaker Golden Owl Awards on the big screen in the cinema. This showcase celebrates the best new filmmaking talent from across the city from schools, colleges, community groups and individuals who are making films on their own or with friends. A reflection of what young people in 2017 feel strongly about, the films are a fantastic mix of live action, animation, documentary and fiction. The winners will be announced following the Golden Owls ceremony on Thu 30 March.

*The filmmakers range from 5 - 19 so certain films contain themes that may distress young children and we advise they they leave the cinema while these are screened.*



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What Makes Me Happy



Thu 20 April, 6pm, Hyde Park Picture House  
 Dirs. Various, UK, 2007, 75 min, English  
**FREE**

A series of beautiful, captivating, short and fun films showing that even where lives are difficult children can still find happiness. Each film was made in its own country by working with local children. These are their own stories about what makes them happy, to be shared with children around the world.

What Makes Me Happy is part of a programme of work by The Ragdoll Foundation, an organisation dedicated to developing the power of imaginative response in children through the arts. At a time when awareness of cultural identity is more important than ever, these films offer the chance to be inspired by the strength and power of children who are living "against the odds", and to share their cultures.

The What Makes Me Happy films are presented courtesy of the Ragdoll Foundation

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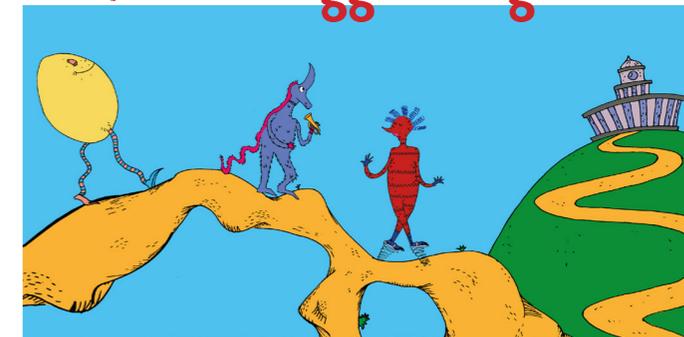
**The Film House returns to Leeds Town Hall with a new live event presented by Sneaky Experience. The Leeds Easter Eggstravaganza is a Dr. Seuss inspired experience that the whole family can enjoy.**

Child £9.50  
 Adult £7.50/£6.50 Concession  
 Family Pass £30 (4 people, max 2 adults)

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Leeds Easter Eggstravaganza!



Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Leeds Town Hall  
 10am, 11:30am, 1pm, 2:30pm, 4pm, 5:30pm daily, 75 mins  
 Suitable for 5+ (free for children aged 2 and under)

Come join us this Spring for a wonderful thing. Full of laughter and rhyming and songs you can sing...

Our Dr. Seuss-inspired Easter Eggstravaganza 'Whooo's in the Hooose?!' pops up at Leeds Town Hall this Spring - The place to be for an unforgettable theatrical, family adventure including:

**Theatrical Egg Trail, Rhyming Workshops, Interactive Storytelling, Seuss-inspired Sing-a-Long, Character-led Parade, Audience Film Shoot**

And if that wasn't enough.....everyone taking part is entered into a competition to win a gigantic Easter Egg!

So come and meet the **ZING WITH THE SPRING** and help the **CHEEKY SNEAKIES** find the **EGGS WITH THE LEGS** - as part of your adventure you can even see yourself transformed into a Seuss inspired character in your very own film with our magic green screen!





For the first time in Leeds LYFF brings you a unique chance to experience Virtual Reality (VR) and 360' cinema with our brand new VR zone at Leeds City Museum.

The VR Zone is free of charge to attend, however Google Expeditions, Tilt Brush and BBC Home - A VR Spacewalk must be booked in advance through the City Centre Box Office. The Dome will have a rolling programme which lasts 30 minutes throughout the day which you can just turn up for - capacity is limited and will be on a first come, first served basis. Google Cardboard is a drop-in session which is available during the VR Zone opening hours, subject to availability. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

All the VR activities are FREE, however you do need to book in advance for some of them. You can obtain tickets from City Centre Box Office by phone or in person (0113 376 0318)

## Google Expeditions



Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Leeds City Museum Age 7+  
10am - 5pm (Fri), 11am - 5pm (Sat - Mon) Every 15 min  
FREE - but must be booked in advance via phone/ person at City Centre Box Office (0113 376 0318)

Google Expeditions: is a virtual reality experience that lets you join immersive virtual trips all over the world — get up close with historical landmarks, dive underwater with sharks, even visit outer space!



Google Expeditions

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## Tilt Brush



Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Leeds City Museum Age 13+  
10am - 5pm (Fri), 11am - 5pm (Sat - Mon) Every 15 min  
FREE - but must be booked in advance via phone/ person at City Centre Box Office (0113 376 0318)

Tilt Brush lets you paint in 3D space with virtual reality. Your room is your canvas. Your palette is your imagination. The possibilities are endless. Paint life-size three-dimensional brush strokes, stars, light, and even fire. Experience painting as you have never before.



City Centre Box Office: 0113 376 0318

## BBC Home - A VR Spacewalk



Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Leeds City Museum Age 13+  
10am - 5pm (Fri), 11am - 5pm (Sat - Mon) Every 15 min  
FREE - but must be booked in advance via phone/ person at City Centre Box Office (0113 376 0318)

Throw yourself into the void 250 miles above Earth in this VR spacewalk inspired by NASA's training programme and the astonishing experiences of its astronauts. Travel outside of the ISS, take in the views and assist in the repair of the space station. Will you make it back to the airlock? REWIND collaborated with the BBC Science, BBC Learning & BBC Digital Storytelling to create an epic 15-minute immersive VR experience. The experience is developed in Unreal Engine 4 to push at the highest possible visual fidelity and is accompanied with treated, spatial audio.



**360' Dome**



**Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Leeds City Museum** **Age 5+**  
**30 min sessions, 10am - 5pm (Fri), 11am - 5pm (Sat - Mon)**  
**FREE - each drop-in session can accommodate 40 people.**  
**Places cannot be reserved in advance.**

An immersive 360' experience which allows you to experience cinema in a whole new way, planetarium-style with jaw dropping content including Audiosonic Vision, created by the American Museum of Natural History, re-edited by JellyFish Moon and scored by The Constellation Collective. Immersive fractals combine with music in perfect harmony to create an illusion of movement and highlight the correlation between sight and sound.

*Children must be accompanied by an adult.*



**Google Cardboard**



**Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Leeds City Museum** **Age 7+**  
**10am - 5pm (Fri), 11am - 5pm (Sat - Mon)**  
**FREE drop-in, places are limited and cannot be reserved in advance**

A chance to use your own phone with one of our Google Cardboards, to experience some of the incredible content that's currently available.

**You must bring your own smartphone with you.**

*Children must be accompanied by an adult.*



Join us at Animation Central, where you can learn about animation, special effects and digital storytelling from some of the leading studios and top animators. Go behind the scenes to discover how some of your favourite films and programmes are made and learn animation techniques. This year's main theme is LEGO and we have some extra-special guests showing you how to make your very own brick films. Other workshops include stop-motion animation with Peppa Pig and Minecraft with Wizard Keen.

**Drop-in Activities & AniMotion Exhibition: FREE**  
**Workshops: From £5 per child (see individual listings for details)**  
**Screenings and Animation Shows: £3 Child, £5 Adult, £10 Family (4 people, max 2 adults)**

**Exploring Minecraft with Wizard Keen**



**Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Carriageworks Theatre** **Age 7+**  
**10am, 1pm, 3:30pm daily, each session lasts 90 min**  
**Child £5 (adults do not need to accompany the child)**  
**Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

Explore the world of Minecraft, learn how to create a short story, designing characters and completing quests. We are delighted that Adam Clarke, also know as Wizard Keen in Stampy's Wonder Quest, will lead this workshop.

Adam Clarke is a Minecraft artist and digital producer, responsible for some of most innovative Minecraft projects happening at this time. He has worked in collaboration with Tate Britain, Artichoke Trust, The Space, Guardian Newspapers, United for Wildlife, Disney and many more global organisations and artists.





**LEGO is one of the most fun and accessible ways for children of all ages to create animated films. To mark the release of the LEGO Batman Movie, Animation Central welcomes some of the best in the business to lead hands on workshops, talks and screenings designed to celebrate LEGO and get you started making your very own brick films.**

Transform yourself into a LEGO mini-figure with LEGO Art Director Tori Davis, get creative making props and sets in the LEGO building zone, and animate them with top LEGO animation director Tony Mines who will be hard at work creating an awesome superhero movie during the festival. Tony's pioneering series of official LEGO animations helped LEGO animation become a hobby worldwide.

David Bunting, co-curator, Animation Central

**LEGO Design with Tori Davis**



**Sat 15 & Sun 16 April, Carriageworks Theatre Age 5+ 10am, 11am, 12pm & 4pm, each session lasts 50 min Child £5 (must be accompanied by an adult, no ticket required) Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

Turn yourself into a LEGO mini figure! Learn to draw the LEGO way with art director Tori Davis and make a mini you in LEGO!

Tori will also be presenting the Animation Show at 2.30pm on Sat 15 April (see page 35 for details).

Tori Davis (AKA Tori Cat) is a British Art Director/Concept Artist currently living in Denmark, where she works at LEGO. She has been working at LEGO for the last 2 years where she is responsible for the animated designs and concept art in the Girls division. This is a lot more than just Pink LEGO bricks! Originally working on the animated content design for LEGO Friends, Tori is now helping lead the design in top secret, future Girls shows at LEGO. Prior to LEGO, Tori has traveled the globe working in the animation industry and has worked on films such as Rio, The Illusionist and Tim Burton's Frankenweenie.



**The LEGO Batman Animation Workshop**



**Fri 14, Sat 15 & Sun 16 Apr, Carriageworks Theatre Age 8+ 10am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 3.30pm, each session lasts 60 min Child £5 Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

Make your very own LEGO Batman Movie and learn the secrets of Brick Filmmaking animation from one of the best LEGO animators in the business! Throughout the festival, animator Tony Mines will be working with small groups of children to animate a different chapter of the story. Working in teams, children will learn storytelling and animation skills. Every workshop will be different so book as many slots as you like and learn how to animate like a superhero!

If you want to help make the soundtrack, book onto the LEGO Batman Sound Effects Workshop!

The finished film will be premiered at Animation Central on Monday 17 April at 4pm in the Auditorium at Carriageworks Theatre.

**SPITE YOUR FACE PRODUCTIONS**

**The LEGO Batman Sound Effects Workshop**



**Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Carriageworks Theatre Age 10+ 10:30am (not Fri 14), 2pm (not Mon 17), 2.5 hrs per session Child £10 Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

Fancy creating sound effects for Animation Central's brick film? Have you ever thought what processes go into taking a sound and manipulating it to create cartoon sound effects? To really find out what goes on behind the scenes, this is the workshop for you. With Sound effects, Cartoon Voices and sound mixing, there's something for everyone to experience.

Fri 14 April PM & Sat 15 April AM/PM: Sound Effects  
Sun 16 April AM: Cartoon Voice Acting  
Sun 16 April PM & Mon 17 April AM: Sound Mix

Dave Dunn-Birch has 25 years experience in the music production industry. He is director of music for Harrogate High School's jazz band, 'High Jazz' and MD of the Tewit Youth Junior Band in Harrogate.



**Peppa Pig Toymation with InspirEd**



**Fri 14 & Mon 17 April, Carriageworks Theatre** **Age 4+**  
**10am, 1pm, 3:30pm, each session lasts 90 min**  
**Child £5 (must be accompanied by an adult, no ticket required)**  
**Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

Inspired by Peppa Pig and her friends, children and their families will learn the basics of animation using toys, tablets and computers. Perfect for beginners, this is a gentle introduction to stopmotion using toys, play and simple technology. The session will give participants the skills needed to make their own movies at home. Recommended for families with young children.

You are welcome to bring your own toys and action figures with you to make your animations but if you would rather leave them at home, we will have a selection of figures, props and sets that you can use.

InspirEd deliver creative media workshops for the education, charity and corporate sectors. The company was started in 2008 by Dawn Feather, a Video Editor who loves teaching her craft to children.



**Family Animation with Postman Pat**  
**Animator John Ashton**



**Sun 16 & Mon 17 April, Carriageworks Theatre** **Age 5+**  
**10am, 1pm, 3:30pm, each session lasts 90 min**  
**Child £5 (must be accompanied by an adult, no ticket required)**  
**Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

A fun hands on animation workshop for all the family, with award winning Postman Pat animator John Ashton. John will help you take a simple idea and bring it to life using paper, funky foam and pipe cleaners! Bring a pen drive and take a copy of your work home with you.

If you'd like to discover more of John's amazing work, don't miss the Animation Show at 2.30pm on Easter Sunday when John will be talking about his work in children's animation (see page 35 for details).

John Ashton has worked in the animation industry for 33 years. The last 15 years have been spent producing stop frame animation for many TV productions including, Roary the Racing Car, Postman Pat and most recently Clangers.



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**Stop Motion Animation with Paul Couvela**



**Fri 14 & Sat 15 April, Carriageworks Theatre** **Age 8+**  
**10am, 1pm, 3:30pm, each session lasts 90 min**  
**Child £5**  
**Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

Discover stop-motion puppet animation with Scream Street animator Paul Couvela. Using wire-armatures, Paul will get you hands on with the basics of character animation and reveal some tricks of the trade. A fantastic opportunity to learn from a great animator who's brought to life family favourites including Bob the Builder and Pingu.

Paul will also be hosting the Animation Show at 2.30pm on Sat 15 April with Tori David from LEGO (see page 35 for details).

Paul Couvela is responsible for bringing to life family favourites including Noddy, Oakie Doke, Bob the Builder™, Toby's Travelling Circus, Postman Pat, Twirlywoos and CBBC's Scream Street.



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**Creating 3D Graphics for Virtual Reality**



**Fri 14 & Sat 15 April, Carriageworks Theatre** **Age 9+**  
**10am, 1pm, 3:30pm, each session lasts 90 min**  
**Child £10**  
**Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

Discover how to create content for 3D animated films, computer games and create your own virtual reality experience that you can share with friends and family. Learn the basics of making 3D models on the computer, applying materials, animating them and then outputting your work to be viewed with a VR headset. We will be using Blender (blender.org), a complete package used to make films/games. It is also free, so students can continue at home.

As part of Leeds Young Film's commitment to encourage girls participation in the creative industries, the 1pm daily session will be for solely for girls.

Monique Dewanchand is a Blender developer and code events to teach students about 3D and Blender. Tom Haines runs 3Dami (3dami.org), an organisation dedicated to introducing pre-university students to digital 3D art.



**Mickey and the Roadster Racers**



**Fri 14 April, 11:30am, 75 min, Carriageworks Theatre Age 3+ FREE, but you must book in advance at City Centre Box Office**

BAFTA Kids presents a special preview screening of Disney Junior's brand new series Mickey and the Roadster Racers. Mickey Mouse and his friends - Minnie, Goofy, Daisy and Donald - star in this fun-filled, action packed adventure which follows the gang in their crazy races worldwide and in their hometown of Hot Dog Hills. You could also win a Disney Junior goody bag by drawing your favourite animation memory - there's even a special prize for the adults!

*Children must be accompanied by an adult.*



**The Amazing World of Gumball**



**Fri 14 April, 2:00pm, 75 min, Carriageworks Theatre Age 5+ FREE, but you must book in advance at City Centre Box Office**

BAFTA Kids presents a special screening of Cartoon Network's multi award-winning series, The Amazing World of Gumball. Watch cult and preview episodes from the uniquely funny world of Gumball and his adopted goldfish brother, Darwin. You could also win a Cartoon Network goody bag by drawing your favourite animation memory - there's even a special prize for the adults!

*Children must be accompanied by an adult.*



**THE ANIMATION SHOW**

**Children £3, Adults £5, Family (4 people, max 2 adults) £10 Tickets must be booked through City Centre Box Office**

Watch cartoons and test your animation trivia knowledge in our fun filled interactive family show in the Carriageworks Theatre, where families can watch cartoons together and go behind the scenes to discover the secrets of some of their favourite programmes. Featuring guest stars from the world of animation and a sing along contest, help our animators make an animated movie live on stage, or sit back and watch the magic happen.

**with LEGO Art Director, Tori Davis and Paul Couvela Sat 15 April, 2:00pm, 75 min, Carriageworks Theatre Age 5+**

Tori Davis (aka Tori Cat) is now helping lead the design in top secret, future girls shows at LEGO. She is honoured to be at Animation Central and looks forward to meeting you, where she will be talking cartoons, drawing characters and playing with coloured bricks, so please come and say hi!

Paul Couvela will be talking about his work in children's animation (Noddy, Bob the Builder™, Toby's Travelling Circus, Postman Pat, Twirlywoos) and his current work CBBC's *Scream Street*.

**with Postman Pat animator John Ashton Sun 16 April, 2:30pm, 75 min, Carriageworks Theatre Age 5+**

Responsible for bringing to life family favourites including Postman Pat, Clangers, Raa Raa the Noisy Lion, John will be talking about his work in children's animation and bringing a famous guest.

**with Spite Your Face animator, Tony Mines Mon 17 April, 2:30pm, 75 min, Carriageworks Theatre Age 8+**

Animator/director Tony Mines is best known for taking Brick filmmaking to dizzying heights, creating animated films for the LEGO company and their respective clients, including SONY, Marvel Entertainment, Lucasfilm and Python Pictures. Tony will be showcasing some of the best brick short films as well as giving tips on how to make your own films.

**ANIMATION Exhibition**



**Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, Carriageworks Theatre**  
**10am - 5pm**  
**FREE drop-in** **Age 3+**

Get hands-on with some exciting artworks which have been inspired by animation techniques at our FREE AniMotion Exhibition. The free exhibition features Aardman animation stations where you can have a go at making your own short films, inspired by favourite characters such as Shaun the Sheep, Morph and Wallace and Gromit.

- Transform the features on a huge Day of the Dead inflatable skull and watch its hypnotic animated eyes.
- Try out an Oculus Rift headset and enter an imaginary animated world.
- Have a go at creating your own animations using interactive tables provided by Academy Award winners, Aardman.
- See an original Aardman set featuring Morph – the animated clay character who made his TV debut in 1977 on the children’s programme, Take Hart.

*Children must be accompanied by an adult.*

**Drop-in Activities**

**Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, 10am - 5pm, Carriageworks Theatre**  
**FREE, although places are limited**

Throughout the Animation Central weekend there are lots of FREE activities that you can get involved with. As well as the AniMotion Exhibition there are various drop-in workshops and activities where you can learn the basics of animation and storytelling using LEGO, Flip Books and sound effects. These activities run every day over the Easter weekend so just pop along when you have some time between workshops or films.

*Children must be accompanied by an adult.*

**Flip Book creation with Ralph Shepherd** **Age 5+**



Join artist, model maker and designer, Ralph Shepherd as he shows you how to create your own flip book story and then see it come to life using stop-motion software.

**LEGO Play Zone** **Age 3+**



Love LEGO? Come and chill in our LEGO Play Zone where you can build to your heart’s content with bricks provided by Bricks for Kidz. Use your time to build some amazing creations for fun, or create characters and props to use in the LEGO animation workshop (see pages 30-31).

**Cartoon Sound Effects** **Age 3+**



Discover the magical world of cartoon sound effects. Using animation from ‘Toby’s Travelling Circus’, you can create all sounds of the big top and mix them together to create your own cartoon soundtrack using computer technology.

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**The Cat in the Hat**



**Sun 16 April, 11:30am, Carriageworks Theatre**  
**Dir. Bo Welch, USA, 2003, 82 min, English**



Conrad and Sally are two very bored children, home alone with their pet fish on a rainy day, and there’s absolutely positively nothing to do. Until the Cat in the Hat visits, and shows Conrad and Sally how to use their imagination. However, the talking Cat soon turns their lives upside down and things begin to get out of hand. Based on the book by Dr. Seuss, this gorgeously quirky and fun film is fab for all the family.

*If you are a fan of Dr. Seuss make sure you check out The Film House Easter Eggstravaganza for a fun-filled Dr. Seuss inspired adventure with Sneaky Experience (see page 25 for details)*

**Fantasy, Comedy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** How the Grinch Stole Christmas, Home Alone  
**See also:** Sheep and Wolves, Molly Monster, Easter Eggstravaganza

**Horton Hears a Who**



**Mon 17 April, 11:30am, Carriageworks Theatre**  
**Dirs. Jimmy Hayward & Steve Martino, USA, 2008, 86 min, English**



From the mind of Dr. Seuss, ‘Horton Hears a Who’ is a wonderful story about Horton the elephant, who discovers a microscopic city called ‘Whoville’ on a tiny speck of dust. Horton decides to protect the Whos of Whoville, receiving ridicule and jokes from his neighbours who don’t believe such a city could possibly exist on a space so small. This lovely animated tale features the voice talents of Jim Carrey and Steve Carell, who’s humour and wit brings laughs for all the family.

*If you are a fan of Dr. Seuss make sure you check out The Film House Easter Eggstravaganza for a fun-filled Dr. Seuss inspired adventure with Sneaky Experience (see page 25 for details)*

**Fantasy, Comedy, Drama**

**See this if you liked:** The Lorax, Dumbo, Ice Age  
**See also:** The Cat in the Hat, Zootropolis, Easter Eggstravaganza

**Pokémon IV: 4Ever +  hunt**



**Sat 15 April, 11:30am, Carriageworks Theatre**  
**Dirs. Kunihiko Yunami & Jim Malone, Japan, 2001,**  
**75 min, English**



LYFF 2017 is delighted to celebrate all things Pokémon as we meet the new 'pocket monster', Celebi, who can time travel. Vicious, the future son of James and Jessie of Team Rocket, can also travel back in time and comes along to cause chaos. Can Ash, Pikachu and their friends stop him destroying the forest in time?

*Why not bring a packed lunch with you and join other Pokemon hunters in Millennium Square following the screening. We will be setting a time limit of 1 hour for you to go into town with your parents and catch yourselves as many Pokemon as you can and then back at the Carriageworks bar there will be a prize giving ceremony for the most successful hunters! There will be another Pokémon Go hunt followed by a screening of Pokémon V: Heroes at Hyde Park Picture House from 3pm (see page 4).*

**Action, Fantasy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Pokémon The Movie, The LEGO Batman Movie  
**See also:** Pokémon V: Heroes, Your Name, Long Way North

**Short Film Programmes**



**Audience Award: Fri 14 - Mon 17 April, 10am, 45 min U (3+)**  
**Animation Programme: Fri 14 & Sun 16 April, 4pm, 45 min**  
**FREE, unreserved seating**

Every morning at 10am at Animation Central you can watch a specially selected programme of funny, exciting and entertaining short animations from around the world for FREE. Decide on your favourite and the one with the most votes at the end of the festival will receive the LYFF 2017 Short Animated Film Audience Award.

In addition to the Audience Award short film programme there will also be FREE short film programmes on Fri 14 and Sun 16 April at 4pm, where we will be showcasing the best new animated short films from Europe. A great way to end the day at Animation Central.

*Recommended 3+ as suitable for all.*

**Comedy, Adventure**

**See this if you liked:** Pixar Shorts  
**See also:** Young Animator of the Year Awards, Golden Owl Awards, BFG

[www.leedsyoungfilm.com](http://www.leedsyoungfilm.com)

**Young Animator of the Year Awards**



**Sat 15 April, 3:30pm, Carriageworks Theatre**  
**Approx 90 min**  
**FREE, unreserved seating**

**U (5+)**

The YAY! Award is a brand new competition for young animators up to the age of 14 from the UK and continues the festival's tradition of supporting young creatives who are passionate about film. Come and see the shortlisted films and join our jury of professional animators as they decide who will receive our prestigious Young Animator of the Year trophy and £100 towards their next film.

**If you are a young animator and want to enter you can download the entry form at [leedsyoungfilm.com](http://leedsyoungfilm.com). The deadline to submit films is Monday 20 March 2017.**

*Recommended 5+ due to some scenes of mild peril.*

**City Centre Box Office: 0113 376 0318**

**Animation Showcase + ASIFA Premiere**



**Mon 17 April, 4pm, Carriageworks Theatre**  
**Approx. 30 min**  
**FREE, unreserved seating**

**U (3+)**

A chance to see all the work that has been created during Easter at Animation Central on the big screen. If you are booked on a workshop or have contributed to our LEGO Batman brick film (see page 31) then why not bring the family to show them what you have made during the festival. Alongside this year's creations we are proud to screen the World Premiere of the 2016 ASIFA film, Metamorphosis, that Animation Central participants contributed to in 2016.

*Recommended 3+ as suitable for all.*





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**Contact:**

[www.leeds-art.ac.uk/youngcreatives](http://www.leeds-art.ac.uk/youngcreatives)  
[youngcreatives@leeds-art.ac.uk](mailto:youngcreatives@leeds-art.ac.uk)



Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June – 3.00pm

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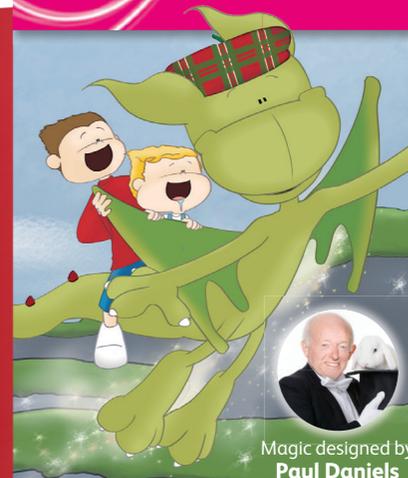
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## Don't Dribble on the Dragon

Wed 31 May, 2pm  
Tickets: £8.50 (£9.50 adults)  
Family Ticket: £34  
Age 2+



Interplay present

## Tarzanne

Fri 2 – Sat 3 June, 3pm & 7pm  
Tickets: £6 (£8 adults)  
Family Ticket: £24  
Age 7+

Carriageworks Theatre, The Electric Press, Millennium Square, Leeds, LS2 3AD



## Whale Rider



**Tue 18 April, 10am, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Nikki Karo, Germany / New Zealand, 2002, 101 min, English / Maori**



Fifteen years on and Niki Karo's film about a young Maori girl striving to earn the respect of her grandfather and saving her village is still incredibly moving and uplifting. The film provides an insight into an often misunderstood culture while tackling the themes of discrimination, erosion of tradition and parental loss. 12 year-old Paikea is a direct descendent of The Whale Rider, whose mythical exploits her village is founded on, but she cannot become chief of her tribe as she is a girl. She challenges the ancient traditions in order to fulfil her destiny.

These FREE school screenings are in partnership with Into Film, a film education charity that puts film at the heart of the educational and personal development of children and young people aged 5-19 across the UK. If you are a teacher or a home educator and want to book places for the screenings please go to [www.intofilm.org/events](http://www.intofilm.org/events) These screenings are not available to the public.

## Kubo and the Two Strings



**Tue 18 April, 1pm, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Travis Knight, USA, 2016, 101 min, English**



The latest stop-motion animation film from Laika Studios (Coraline, Paranorman) is a stunning journey into Japanese mythology about magic, monsters and the power of memory. Young, one-eyed Kubo has magical powers and can create origami creatures that come to life when he plays his shamisen (a kind of guitar). After a battle against the evil Sisters his mother sends him on a quest in the company of Monkey and Beetle to find the magical armour that will enable him to defeat Raiden the Moon King, who wants to take his other eye and force Kubo to join him.

## Hunt for the Wilder People



**Wed 19 April, 10am, Hyde Park Picture House**  
**Dir. Taika Waititi, New Zealand, 2016, 101 min, English**



Hunt for the Wilder People balances humour with serious drama and a touch of sadness, which makes it an interesting film as well as a great insight into New Zealand culture. When Ricky's new foster mother dies, he and his foster uncle disappear into the mountains, triggering a manhunt led by an overbearing child protection officer. Determined not to have to return to care, Ricky, helped by the cantankerous Hec (played by Sam Neill), learns how to fend for himself while having the adventure of his life.

## Random Acts Workshop



**Mon 10 April, 1pm, Leeds Town Hall, FREE**  
**Reserve a place at [randomactsnorth.org](http://randomactsnorth.org)**

**Aged 16-24? Live or study in the North of England? Random Acts North is open to you whether you're an experienced filmmaker or have an ambition to make your first short film.**

Random Acts supports "bold, innovative expressions of creativity", so if you're a visual artist, writer, dancer, musician, filmmaker or simply have a creative flare, there are no restrictions on what type of film you can create! Join the Random Acts North team at Leeds Young Film Festival on Monday 10th April to find out how you can make a film that could end up on Channel 4. As well as hearing from our team of industry professionals, you'll have a chance to meet a selection of artists and filmmakers, who have created original short films as part of Random Acts North education, training and production programme.

The workshop is FREE to attend - secure your place today!

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## Children's Cinema Day



**Sat 15 April, All Day**

**Join us on Saturday 15 April as we create the world's largest virtual cinema, where your living room or bedroom becomes part of Leeds Young Film Festival.**

On Saturday 15 April we want you to watch a film wherever you want, however you want - it can be at home on your TV, in the car on a tablet or even with friends on a laptop. You could even come and see a film in the festival! All we ask is that you watch a film that you have never seen before and either send us a photo of yourself watching the film or write a really short review and send it to us.

If you need some inspiration as to what to watch we have created a list of the Top 50 Films we recommend young people should see before they are 12, as well as some suggestions of family films you can find on Netflix, Amazon Prime and BFI Player. You can find these on the website at [leedsyoungfilm.com](http://leedsyoungfilm.com)

## Leeds Film City

There are venues across the Leeds city region that show films and run film-related activities for families and young people, a selection of which are listed below. For an extensive list of venues offering film related events go to [leedsfilm.com](http://leedsfilm.com)

**Films at HEART, Headingley**  
[www.heartcentre.org.uk/films-at-heart](http://www.heartcentre.org.uk/films-at-heart)

Films at Heart are a non-profit group who screen contemporary independent films from around the world that you may have missed the first time round or that had only limited exposure.

**Oblong Cinema, Woodhouse**  
[www.facebook.com/OblongCinema](http://www.facebook.com/OblongCinema)

Oblong Cinema host screenings of local, national & international independent films. They also showcase short films in the hall at Woodhouse Community Centre with an intimate and friendly screening.

**Otley Courthouse, Otley**  
[www.otleycourthouse.org.uk](http://www.otleycourthouse.org.uk)

Otley Courthouse is a unique arts and resource centre, created and run by volunteers and staff team in Otley. Screening films regularly, and often with activities and events.

**The Tetley, City Centre**  
[www.thetetley.org](http://www.thetetley.org)

The Tetley is a centre for contemporary art and learning located in the stunning art deco headquarters of the former Tetley Brewery in central Leeds. They host regular creative workshops to engage the whole family in art.

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## Classification

Where British Board of Film Classification exists, it will be indicated next to the film.



Where films are not classified by the BBFC, the Film Festival has recommended its own rating and age suitability next to the film. See [website](#) for up-to-date ratings.

For more details about film content and recommended ages, go to [leedsyoungfilm.com](https://leedsyoungfilm.com) or ring the Leeds Young Film team on 0113 378 5999.

Children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult in the cinema. We are not responsible for anyone left alone in the cinema or any belongings taken into the cinema.



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## Programme Information

**AD))) Audio Described Screenings**  
Cinema audio description is a service for people with visual impairments. Alongside the film soundtrack, a descriptive track explains what's happening on screen. Ask at the cinema to borrow a pair of A.D. headphones.



**Babes-in-arms Screenings**  
We provide a relaxed environment, where parents and carers can relax and enjoy the film, while babies and toddlers (up to 12 months) are free to be themselves. With raised lighting levels, reduced volume and baby changing/bottle warming facilities, we aim to make these screenings as comfortable for you as possible.

**Autism Friendly Screenings**  
These screenings feature raised lighting levels, prompt start times and customers are free to move more freely around the cinema. For more details please visit the Hyde Park Picture House website at [www.hydeparkpicturehouse.co.uk](https://www.hydeparkpicturehouse.co.uk).

The programme information is correct at time of going to press but is subject to change - for latest info see website.



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