



FIVE DAYS OF FILM
IN GREEN PARK STATION
13-17 NOV 2020

**FILM
BATH
FESTIVAL**

#FilmBath

When the world goes low, we go high.
In 2020, we are running not one but
TWO film festivals!

13–17 Nov

FILM BATH FESTIVAL



Although many of our favourite cinemas have closed their doors, we still want to watch great festival films together: communally experiencing the whole gamut of human experience and emotion on the big screen — and for 5 days in Bath, we can.

Our physical film festival, 13–17 November is in the Covid-safe Green Park Station where there's plenty of fresh air, but also a roof to protect us from the rain and heaters to keep the cold at bay. We are installing a cinema-grade projector, a 26-foot screen, and a smorgasbord of GREAT films. You bring your mask, warm clothes/blanket, and headphones, and we will give you a receiver (sanitised, don't worry) for a crystal clear audio experience.

This year there is a powerful theme running through our programme about the ways in which people deal with challenges that seem insurmountable at first sight, but which become opportunities for growth, providing a deeper understanding of themselves and others.

Whether it is a diagnosis of an incurable illness, homelessness, or the theft of a painter's work; the unexpected discovery of a family secret, a conflict with a parent, or a risky experiment gone wrong — each protagonist meets those challenges and emerges with something more than they had when we first met them. This is not feelgood cinema, but cinema for the enrichment of the soul: it's exactly what we all need right now.

6–22 Nov

AMPLIFY!

BLASTING BRILLIANT NEW CINEMA INTO YOUR FRONT ROOM

In partnership with Brighton, Cambridge, and Cornwall Film Festivals, our second film festival is AMPLIFY!

AMPLIFY!'s online film festival 6–22 November will beam feature films, shorts, and industry events directly to you, wherever you are in the UK.



OPEN UP FOR MORE



We want to make sure that **EVERYONE** can watch great films in 2020, so as well as our physical FilmBath Festival in Green Park Station, we are thrilled to present...



AMPLIFY!

OUR VIRTUAL FILM FESTIVAL / 6 – 22 NOV

**AMPLIFYING THE VOICES
OF WOMEN, IBERO-AMERICANS
AND THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY**

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Blasting brilliant new cinema into your front room, AMPLIFY!'s online film festival will beam feature films, shorts, and industry events directly to you, wherever you are in the UK. Brought to you by FilmBath, CINECITY (Brighton), Cambridge, and Cornwall Film Festivals. Stream exclusive premieres, dazzling debuts, and illuminating documentaries from the film festival circuit directly into your home. As well as a FREE shorts programme, Q&As and industry events, AMPLIFY! is, of course, F-Rated to the max and 50% directed by women.

Offering a feast of movie viewing for audiences of every taste, AMPLIFY! includes the winner of Best Film at San Sebastián International Film Festival, Viggo Mortensen's directorial debut, *Falling*, in which he directs himself in a powerful family drama about a son's traumatic relationship with his father.

With 5 wins and 11 international festival nominations *Patrick (De Patrick)* is a brilliant Belgian black comedy about a nudist camp; Patrick, the camp's handyman, has lost his hammer, and nothing will make him happy until he finds it.

There are lots of hot docs too: *The Mole Agent* is the unforgettable account of how a care home is infiltrated by an elderly gent who has been hired to find out what goes on behind closed doors. While *Caught in the Net* is the compelling story of a virtual flytrap set for online paedophiles, using women pretending to be 12-year-olds. *My Mexican Bretzel* is a cracker — the winner of the Found Footage Award in Rotterdam last year, on a par with Sarah Polley's stunning *Stories We Tell* and SO many more. Go to amplifyfilm.org.uk to browse all the films, shorts, industry events, and more.

HOW AMPLIFY! WORKS



- ▶ Go to amplifyfilm.org.uk
- ▶ Watch some trailers, read about the films
- ▶ Buy individual tickets or save money with a Festival Pass (only £50/£30 for TEN films!)
- ▶ For 10% off, enter the discount code "LoveBath"
- ▶ Book the film/s you want to watch
- ▶ Make a note of when the film goes live
- ▶ Watch the films
- ▶ Tell us what you think

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FILMBATH FESTIVAL



Fri Nov 13 Preview

Nomadland

Winner of the Golden Lion at Venice

Director: Chloé Zhao

Cast: Frances McDormand, David Strathairn

USA, 2021, 108m, 15 tbc

18:00, 20:20

Fargo (1996); *Three Billboards* (2017) — both Oscar-winning performances by Frances McDormand. 2021 could be her year again, as she continues to dazzle audiences and critics with her extraordinary blend of ferocity and compassion, in a critically acclaimed film about the dispossessed and neglected people who have no homes of their own. 'Truly a work of art, a beautiful movie that restores your faith in film and life' — Roger Friedman.

Preview screening courtesy of **Searchlight Pictures**



Sat Nov 14 Bath Debut

Miss Juneteenth

Compassionate slice of Black American life

Director: Channing Godfrey Peoples

Cast: Nicole Beharie, Alexis Chikaeze, Kendrick Sampson

USA, 2020, 99m, 15

18:00

This subtle and exceptional film has received rave reviews for its combination of complexity and emotional authenticity. A single mother (Turq) with a teenage daughter (Kai) wants her to follow in her footsteps, without making the same mistakes. But Kai wants to dance, not be a beauty queen. 'Perfectly suited to our current moment' — *Rolling Stone*.



Sat Nov 14 Bath Debut / Documentary

The Painter and the Thief

Beautiful, profound, astonishing doc

Director: Benjamin Ree

Cast: Barbora Kysilkova, Karl-Bertil Nordland

Norway, 2020, 102m, PG tbc

20:10

One of the most extraordinary and compelling documentaries in years proves that fact is indeed often stranger than fiction. After a Czech artist's paintings are stolen, she later asks the thief if she can paint him, leading to an unusual friendship. You can't take your eyes off it. 'It's exactly the kind of warm, hopeful film that 2020 needs' — Dan Barnes.

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Sun Nov 15 Preview / LGBT

Cocoon / Kokon

Beautiful, optimistic coming of age tale

Director: Leonie Krippendorff

Cast: Lena Urzendowsky, Jella Haase, Lena Klenke

Germany, 2020, 95m, 12A tbc, Subtitles

18:00

Nora is 14 but looks younger. Her mother is out of it and her older sister barely tolerates her company. Life looks bleak until Romy appears, full of flash and dazzle and fun — and romance. This lovely German film eloquently captures the complexities and hardship of being a wallflower, then lets us see the flower blossom when the sun comes out. 'A clear and very optimistic message about freedom and accepting yourself' — *Cineuropa*

Preview screening courtesy of **Peccadillo Pictures**



Sun Nov 15 Bath Debut

Nocturnal

Moody and absorbing debut feature

Director: Nathalie Biancheri

Cast: Lauren Coe, Sadie Frost, Cosmo Jarvis

UK, 2020, 84m, 15

20:10

Cosmo Jarvis, still only 30, is a star in the making — Mark Kermode compared him to a young Marlon Brando. When he tries to make friends with a teenage girl, we fear the worst, but there's a whole other agenda in this absorbing, beautifully acted and filmed movie about loss and reconciliation. 'An impressive piece of work ... anchored by a two-step between the smart-mouthed Lauren and her painfully awkward adult chum' — *Irish Times*

Preview screening courtesy of **Wildcat Distribution**



Mon Nov 16 Preview

Slalom

Abusive coach sends his student downhill

Director: Charlène Favier

Cast: Noée Abita, Jérémie Renier, Marie Denarnaud

France, Belgium, 2020, 92m, 15 tbc, Subtitles

18:00

Stunning French film, which premiered at Cannes, about a 15-year-old budding skiing star and the relationship with her older male coach, which begins to cross boundaries that shouldn't be crossed. A timely and perceptive examination of how abusive situations are enabled to flourish. 'Told with such bracing intensity that it snaps across your face like a blast of cold mountain air' — *IndieWire*

Preview screening courtesy of **Artificial Eye**



Mon Nov 16 Preview

Farewell Amor

Moving exploration of the meaning of home

Director: Ekwa Msangi

Cast: Zainab Jah, Jayme Lawson, Ntare Guma Mbaho Mwine

USA, 2020, 95m, 15 tbc

20:10

After 17 years apart, an Angolan man is reunited with his wife and daughter when they come to join him in New York. The years of separation have generated different needs, which are skilfully and delicately revealed in Ekwa Msangi's heartfelt and moving debut feature. 'A beautiful character study of the innate necessity and craving for belonging' — *Flip Screen*

Preview screening courtesy of **MUBI/Film Constellation**



Tue Nov 17 Preview / LGBT

Supernova

Heartbreaking story of love and commitment

Director: Harry Macqueen

Cast: Colin Firth, Stanley Tucci

UK, 2020, 93m, 15 tbc

18:00

A match made in heaven, Colin Firth and Stanley Tucci team up to play an older couple coping with the effects of a dementia diagnosis on their long-established relationship. A heartfelt road movie and exploration of mortality that will leave no tear unshed, as *Variety* put it, 'Colin Firth and Stanley Tucci gently smash your heart to smithereens.'

Preview screening courtesy of **Studio Canal**



Tue Nov 17 Preview

Another Round / Druk

Maybe alcohol IS the answer

Director: Thomas Vinterberg

Cast: Mads Mikkelsen, Thomas Bo Larsen, Lars Ranthe

Denmark, 2020, 117m, 12A, Subtitles

20:10

Thomas Vinterberg (*Festen*, *Far from the Madding Crowd*) has been making provocative films for years. His latest concerns a group of men who decide to fuel their daily life with alcohol. Mads Mikkelsen is the school teacher who leads this adventure, which will not end in the way you expect. Superbly made. 'A heady, vibrant and funny film' — Clarisse Loughrey, *The Independent*

Preview screening courtesy of **Studio Canal**

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How FilmBath Festival in Green Park Station works

- A custom-made, Covid-safe cinema in the beautiful Green Park Station
- 9 great films over 5 days
- 13–17 Nov 2020
- Socially distant seating
- Regular sanitisation
- Trained volunteers
- Hot food and drinks
- Online, contactless booking

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