

Friday 18th July to Sunday 17th August

Kirkgate Arts & Heritage The Kirkgate Centre, Kirkgate, Cockermouth CA13 9PJ Thank you to all our film sponsors for making this event possible...



bringing us this superb selection of films.

30 FILMS FOR 30 YEARS

We're celebrating 30 years of cinema @Kirkgate, with a film from every year since we opened our doors, each with a local connection.



Buy a film pass for £30 for free booking to all screenings!

Scan the QR code to buy your film pass online...





Once you have paid for your pass, you can log in and select one seat free for as many of the films as you like! Discount applied a the online checkout.

Thanks to funding from Cumberland Council, we are excited to be able to offer free festival film passes to anyone who is currently claiming either working age benefits of pension credits. To claim your pass please either email us on enquiries@thekirkgate.com call 01900 829966 or call into the box office Monday or Friday 10am – 12pm.





Scan here to book tickets for all our films

(Please note- the film pass only applies to titles in our festival programme, standard film ticket prices apply without the pass)

Leaving Las Vegas Friday 18th July 7pm

Sponsored by: Marion Bowman

18

18

Adapted from the novel by John O'Brien, this acclaimed drama follows alcoholic screenwriter Ben Sanderson (Nicolas Cage) as he drinks himself into oblivion in Las Vegas. When Ben meets the beautiful prostitute Sera (Elisabeth Shue), they strike up an unconventional relationship, but how will it work out?

Up'n'Under Saturday 19th July 2pm

Sponsored by: Joe Fagan

The Cobblers Arms have been the best and most feared Amateur Rugby League team for the past ten years. Ex-pro Arthur (Gary Olsen) bets their boss that he could train a bunch of deadbeats to defeat them in a local rugby sevens tournament. But to do so he must first get them into shape with the help of Hazel Scott (Samantha Womack).

Jude Saturday 19th July 4.30pm

In late 19th-century England, Jude (Christopher Eccleston) aspires to be an academic, but is hobbled by his blue-collar background. Instead, he works as a stonemason and is trapped in an unloving marriage to a farmer's daughter named Arabella (Rachel Griffiths). But when his wife leaves him, Jude sees an opportunity to improve himself.

The Loss of Sexual Innocence Saturday 19th July 7.30pm

A series of loosely connected vignettes and flashbacks explores the life of a filmmaker named Nic (Julian Sands) from his life at age 5, 12 and 16, and as a man embarking on his first film in 1950s Tunisia, and finally to his current age. Along the way, well let's just say that he has a few encounters as the title might suggest.

Miss Potter Sunday 20th July 2pm Sponsored by: Cockermouth & District Civic Trust

Beatrix Potter (Renée Zellweger) overcomes many obstacles in her quest to become a writer, including a domineering mother and the chauvinism prevalent in Victorian England. She falls in love with her publisher, Norman Warne (Ewan McGregor), yet his marriage proposal and a subsequent tragedy change her life forever.

with Q&A! Supernova Sunday 20th July 4.30pm

Sponsored by: Fermento

Sam (Colin Firth) and Tusker (Stanley Tucci), partners of twenty years, are on holiday. Jobs have been given up and plans put on hold as they are travelling across England in their old campervan visiting friends, family and places from their past. Their time together is now the most important thing they have two years after a serious diagnosis.

Me Without You Sunday 20th July 7.30pm

Growing up in the 1970s on the Isle of Wight, Holly and Marina make a childhood pact to be friends forever. For the troubled, unpredictable Marina (Anna Friel), the friendship remains the only constant in her life. As the years roll by, the girls experience everything life has to offer, sex, love, loss and rock 'n roll.

Kinky Boots Monday 21st July 8pm

Sponsored by: Jacqui Currie & Rob Higgins

Charlie Price (Joel Edgerton) inherits the family business, a shoe factory in Northampton, England. He is not interested in shoes, and the factory is in such dire financial straits. However, a fortuitous encounter with a cabaret singer (Chiwetel Ejiofor) inspires his inspired attempts to save the factory.

Calendar Girls Wednesday 23rd July 2pm Sponsored by: Leanne Smyth Designer Travel

Spirited Yorkshire housewife Chris Harper (Helen Mirren) hatches a scheme to raise money for a memorial to her friends late husband. Utilizing a tradition from the Woman's Institute, Chris encourages Annie (Julie Walters) and their friends to create a calendar.

28 Days Later Friday 25th July 7pm

Sponsored by: Keswick Computer Solutions

When London bike courier Jim (Cillian Murphy) wakes up from a coma, he finds his city all but deserted. On the run from the zombie-like victims, Jim stumbles upon a group of survivors, including Selena (Naomie Harris) and cab driver Frank (Brendan Gleeson), and joins them on a perilous journey.





Sightseers Monday 28th July 8pm

Sponsored by: Helen & Stephen Walker

Chris (Steve Oram) wants to show Tina (Alice Lowe) his world and he wants to do it his way - on a journey through the British Isles in his beloved caravan. Tina's led a sheltered life and there are things that Chris needs her to see - the Crich Tramway Museum, the Ribblehead Viaduct, the Keswick Pencil Museum and the rolling countryside that accompanies these wonders in his life.

Brideshead Revisited Wednesday 30th July 2pm

Sponsored by: Emma Heys & Toby Woodhead

Befriended by aristocrat Sebastian Flyte (Ben Whishaw), Oxford student Charles Ryder (Matthew Goode) finds that the power and privilege is seductive.On a visit to Brideshead, Sebastian's ancestral home, he falls in love with his friend's sister, Julia (Hayley Atwell).

Life of a Mountain - A Year on Blencathra (Directors cut, not shown on BBC!) Friday 1st August 7pm

Sponsored by: Cumbrian Ales

The film sees award-winning film-maker Terry Abraham return to the Lake District to showcase 'the people's mountain' - Blencathra. The result is this spectacular documentary with stunning time-lapse sequences of this unique landscape which will inspire newcomers and regular visitors alike.

Gulliver's Travels Saturday 2nd August 2pm

Sponsored by: Penny Lees

Lemuel Gulliver (Jack Black) has been working in the mail room of a New York daily newspaper for the past ten years.Darcy Silverman (Amanda Peet), the newspaper's travel editor and one of Gulliver's only friends, sends him on an assignment to the Bermuda Triangle. There, Gulliver becomes shipwrecked and ends up on the island of Liliput, where he is twelve times taller than the tallest man.

Glorious 39 Saturday 2nd August 4.30pm

Set in the idyllic British countryside just before the start of the Second World War. The story revolves around the formidable Keyes family, who are keen to uphold and preserve their very traditional way of life. When the eldest sibling Anne stumbles across secret recordings her seemingly perfect life begins to dramatically unravel.

Children of Men Saturday 2nd August 7.30pm

A dystopian action thriller based on the 1992 novel of the same name by P D James. When infertility threatens mankind with extinction and the last child born has perished, a disillusioned bureaucrat (Clive Owen) becomes the unlikely champion in the fight for the survival of Earth's population; He must face down his own demons and protect the planet's last remaining hope from danger.

Johnny English Reborn Sunday 3rd August 2pm

Johnny English, the accidental secret agent who doesn't know fear or danger and is the most unlikely intelligence officer in Her Majesty's Secret Service, who must stop a group of international assassins before they eliminate a world leader and cause global chaos.For Johnny English, disaster may be an option, but failure never is.

Stan and Ollie Sunday 3rd August 4.30pm

Sponsored by: Judith Bennington

Laurel and Hardy face an uncertain future as their golden era of Hollywood films remain long behind them. Diminished by age, the duo set out to reconnect with their adoring fans by touring variety halls in Britain in 1953.

Radiator Sunday 3rd August 7.30pm Sponsored by: EJR Lonsdale Plumbing & Heating

A low-budget British drama about a grown-up son dealing with his ageing, dysfunctional mum and dad. Daniel receives a call from his elderly mother and travels to their remote farm to discover that they have fallen over the edge of eccentricity into outright squalor.

The Story of Fleetwood Mac Monday 4th August 8pm

As suggested by the title this is Fleetwood Mac's story, using archive footage and interviews with Mick Fleetwood and Christie McVie to follow the band through the highs and lows throughout their amazing career. It also features music footage of some of the bands greatest tracks includingAlbatross, Don't Stop, Rhiannon, The Chain.





Pandaemonium Wednesday 6th August 2pm

Sponsored by: Hannah Kozich

The friendly collaboration of poets Samuel Taylor Coleridge (Linus Roache) and William Wordsworth (John Hannah) ultimately turns to betrayal during the French Revolution.

Snack Shack ^{With Q&A!} Friday 8th August 7pm

Sponsored by: Cockermouth & District Chamber of Trade

Nebraska City, summer of 1991. Inseparable best friends AJ (Conor Sherry) and Moose (Gabriel LaBelle) seize the opportunity to run the local pool's rundown snack shack. Dreaming of striking it rich, things take an unexpected turn when they meet summer visitor Brooke (Mika Abdalla), an effortlessly cool lifeguard who puts their big summer plans, and their friendship, at risk.

East is East Monday 11th August 8pm

Sponsored by: Ian Rose

George Khan, proud Pakistani and chip shop owner -- Ghengis to his kids -rules his family with a rod of iron. He thinks he's raising his seven children to be respectable Pakistanis. But this is Salford in 1971.Much as George's English wife, Ella, loves and tries to honor her husband, she also wants her kids to be happy. The children simply want to be part of the modern world.

Cold Mountain Wednesday 13th August 2pm

Sponsored by: Dr Sam Rigby Facial Aesthetics

Based on the 1997 book of the same name by Charles Frazier, this is a classic story of love and devotion set against the backdrop of the American Civil War. A wounded Confederate soldier (Jude Law) deserts his unit and travels across the South, aiming to return to his young wife; Ada (Nicole Kidman), who he left behind to tend their farm.

Swallows and Amazons Saturday 16th August 2pm

Sponsored by: The Woodheads

Two different groups of children encounter one another on an island they both live by. Both groups try to claim it. While this happens they encounter another boat and a stranger, they must now work together to work out who he is and why he is there, but have they got themselves involved in something much bigger?

The Phantom of the Open Saturday 16th August 4.30pm Sponsored by: Cockermouth Travel

The heartwarming true story of Maurice Flitcroft (Mark Rylance), a humble crane operator from Barrow-in-Furness who managed to gain entry to the qualifying round of the Open Golf Championship, despite never playing a round of golf - drawing the ire of the golfing elite, yet becoming a folk hero in the process.

Last Looks Saturday 16th August 7.30pm

Once LAPD's top detective, Charlie Waldo (Charlie Hunnam) has dropped out of society. After spending three years without human contact he is asked for his help investigating a high-profile murderof an eccentric actor (Mel Gibson)'s wife. Waldo must either clearing the actor's name or confirm his guilt.

Peter Rabbit Sunday 17th August 2pm

Sponsored by: Tattershall Bailey

Peter Rabbit (James Corden;) his three sisters: Flopsy (Margot Robbie,) Mopsy (Elizabeth Debicki) and Cotton Tail (Daisy Ridley) and their cousin Benjamin (Colin Moody) enjoy their days harassing Mr McGregor in his vegetable garden. Until one day he dies and no one can stop them roaming across his house and lands for a full day or so. However, a relative inherits the house and what ensues is a battle of wills.

Downhill Sunday 17th August 4.30pm

A British comedy, devised as a road movie on foot, about four old school friends who reunite to attempt to walk the 192 mile Coast to Coast walk. As their journey unfolds, this comically incompatible foursome walk full tilt into their mid-life crises. If you've walked the Coast to Coast enjoy spotting the locations!

with ^{Q&A!} Between the Lights Sunday 17th August 7.30pm

Sponsored by: Knox

We close the festival by a showing of the debut film by local Cumbrian film makers. The film is a romantic drama with a liberal dose of the supernatural, in which we visit our characters over three consecutive Christmases.

"[Between The Lights]... builds to a shivery and lovelorn climax reminiscent of Truly Madly Deeply and The Box of Delights". Phil Hoad – The Guardian



Q&A sessions

You will notice in the brochure that alongside a number of our film festival screenings we are hosting Q&A sessions.

Here's who you will have the chance to chat with after the films....

Supernova - **Peter Macqueen**, who plays Clive in the film will be joining us to tell us about his experiences on set.

Snack Shack - Cumberland councillor **Andrew Semple**, whose band 'The Limps' feature in the soundtrack, discusses how anyone can be creative, if given the chance!

East is East - Local actor and writer **Emma Rydal**, who starred in the film, shares how she got her role, what it's like working on low budget films and behind the scenes photos.

Between the Lights - Director Michael Groom (who also co-wrote the film with his brother David) chose Cumbria as one of the locations in the film, and was also born in Wigton.

THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS CONTINUE...

Join us at The Kirkgate for a New Orleans speakeasy style 30th Anniversary party with the 1920s swing jazz band **Alligator Gumbo!**



There'll be food with a Cajun twist and you'll have a final chance to buy your 30th birthday raffle tickets.

Saturday 11th October from 7pm Tickets just £30

ways to keep in touch

visit our website kirkgateartsandheritage.org.uk

find us on our socials @KirkgateArts



join our email list by opting in when you book or scan the code



Kirkgate Arts and Heritage, is a charity registered in England and Wales (number 1126602). Also registered as a company in England and Wales (number 6632306).