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Rocketman (from 5 July)

The Ultimate Picture Palace

FROM FRIDAY 14 JUNE



Amazing Grace (U)

Dir. Sydney Pollack, Alan Elliott. USA, 2018. 1h 28m. Starring Aretha Franklin, James Cleveland, C.L. Franklin. In 1972, Aretha Franklin recorded her seminal gospel LP *Amazing Grace* in front of a live congregation at the New Temple Missionary Baptist Church in LA. Brilliantly capturing a remarkable performer at her peak, this incredible concert documentary is a must-see for music lovers.



Arctic (12A)

Dir. Joe Penna. Iceland, 2018. 1h 38m. Danish/subs. Starring Mads Mikkelsen, Maria Thelma Smáradóttir. A pilot is stranded in the icy wilderness of the Arctic after his plane crashes. He's eventually spotted by a helicopter, but an unfortunate incident leads to even greater danger. A weatherbeaten Mads Mikkelsen gives a force of nature performance in this stark survival thriller.



Extremely Wicked, Shockingly Evil and Vile (15)

Dir. Joe Berlinger. USA, 2019. 1h 50m. Starring Zac Efron, Lily Collins, Kaya Scodelario, John Malkovich. Based on the memoir of Ted Bundy's long-time girlfriend, this compelling drama examines America's most notorious serial killer through the eyes of two women who knew him. Ex-Disney heartthrob Zac Efron brings an unsettling charisma and complexity to the lead role.



Exhibition on Screen: Van Gogh and Japan (PG)

Dir. David Bickerstaff. Holland, 2019. 1h 27m. Though Vincent van Gogh never visited Japan, it is the country that had the most profound influence on him and his art. This documentary visits France, the Netherlands, and Japan to explore further the remarkable heritage that so affected Van Gogh and made him the artist we know of today.

FROM FRIDAY 21 JUNE



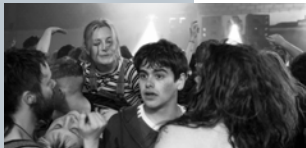
High Life (18)

Dir. Claire Denis. France/UK, 2018. 1h 53m. Starring Robert Pattinson, Juliette Binoche, Mia Goth. A group of death-row inmates are assigned to harvest energy from a black hole, believing that they will be freed if they are successful. The English-language debut from renowned auteur Claire Denis ponders existence, evolution, and sexual desire in this cryptic sci-fi odyssey.



Vox Lux (15)

Dir. Brady Corbet. USA, 2018. 1h 55m. Starring Natalie Portman, Willem Dafoe, Jude Law, Jennifer Ehle. The rise and fall of a pop star – catapulted to fame after surviving a high school shooting, yet criticised by the media as she becomes older and more cynical. Bradley Corbet's provocative dark satire examines both the allures and pitfalls of fame in the 21st century.



Beats (15)

Dir. Brian Welsh. UK, 2019. 1h 41m. Starring Martin Donaghy, Brian Ferguson, Ryan Fletcher. Two boys living on a Scottish estate share a deep bond over music. However, their friendship is threatened by an imminent move to the suburbs. They head out on one last illegal rave before parting ways indefinitely in this euphoric coming-of-age love letter to 90s rave culture.



OXFORD FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS Edmond (TBC)

Dir. Alexis Michalik. France, 2018. 1h 50m. French/subs. Starring Thomas Solivères, Olivier Gourmet, Mathilde Seigner. Young playwright Edmond offers the great actor Constant Coquelin a new play which he agrees to take part in. However, there's one problem – he hasn't written it yet. This crowd-pleasing French comedy is followed by an Oxford Festival of the Arts Q&A.

FROM FRIDAY 28 JUNE

Booksmart (15)

Dir. Olivia Wilde. USA, 2019. 1h 42m. Starring Beanie Feldstein, Kaitlyn Dever, Billie Lourd, Lisa Kudrow, Will Forte. A fresh and funny coming-of-age comedy about two high school friends going against their academic instincts in pursuit of one wild night of partying. Olivia Wilde's critically-acclaimed debut celebrates diversity, female solidarity, and the abundance of youth.



Birds of Passage (15)

Dir. Cristina Gallego, Ciro Guerra. Columbia, 2018. 2h 6m. Spanish/subs. Starring Carmiña Martínez, José Acosta, Natalia Reyes. Columbia's indigenous culture is corrupted by forces of wealth and power in this thrilling depiction of South America's drug trade in the 1970s. A dreamlike crime drama from the Oscar-nominated filmmakers of *Embrace of the Serpent*.



Thunder Road (15)

Dir. Jim Cummings. USA, 2018. 1h 31m. Starring Jim Cummings, Kendal Farr, Nican Robinson. With his marriage over and his mother recently deceased, police officer Jim Arnaud finds himself on the edge of a nervous breakdown. A tragicomic portrait of a failing figure of authority in America and winner of the Grand Jury Award at 2018's SXSW Festival.



MODERN ART OXFORD PRESENTS...

City As Studio (TBC)

Join students from Oxford Spire Academy, Cheney School and Oxford Sixth form College for a special screening as they present a series of brand new moving images works inspired by previous Modern Art Oxford exhibitions *Penny Woolcock: Fantastic Cities* and *Akram Zaatar: The Script*. Free screening, booking essential via the Modern Art Oxford website.



FROM FRIDAY 5 JULY

Rocketman (15)

Dir. Dexter Fletcher. UK/USA, 2019. 2h 1m. Starring Taron Egerton, Richard Madden, Jamie Bell, Bryce Dallas Howard, Stephen Graham. Lavish musical biopic following shy piano prodigy Reginald Dwight's transformation into international superstar Elton John. Taron Egerton steps into Elton's glittery, platform boots for this gleeful feast of sex, drugs, and rock-and-roll.



Sunset (15)

Dir. László Nemes. France/Hungary, 2018. 2h 22m. Hungarian/subs. Starring Susanne Wuest, Juli Jakab, Levente Molnár. Just before the outbreak of the First World War, a young woman returns to her hometown of Budapest to unearth the secrets of her family tree. A mesmerising portrayal of a society caught at the crossroads from the director of 2016 Oscar-winner *Son of Saul*.



John McEnroe: In the Realm of Perfection (12A)

Dir. Julien Faraut. France, 2018. 1h 35m. Starring John McEnroe, Ivan Lendl, Mathieu Amalric. A philosophical portrait of tennis legend John McEnroe at the height of his career. Using unseen 16mm footage, this immersive documentary showcases McEnroe's iconic grace, infamous temper and unique style that powered his incredible journey to sporting perfection.



OXFORD COMEDY FESTIVAL LATE NIGHTS

Mean Girls (12A)

Dir. Mark S. Waters. USA, 2004. 1h 37m. Starring Lindsay Lohan, Tina Fey, Rachel McAdams, Amy Poehler. Teen comedies don't get meaner than this! Smart and funny dissection of high school society which became a modern cult classic. Introduced by award-winning comedian Adele Cliff. Find more Comedy Festival Late Nights online and in our next programme.



CLASSICS



SPACE IS THE PLACE

Partnered with Cowley Road Carnival which this year is celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Moon Landing with outer-worldly theme Space Is the Place.



Solaris (12A)

Dir. Andrei Tarkovsky. Russia, 1972. 2h 47m. Russian/subs. Starring Natalya Bondarchuk, Donatas Banionis, Juri Jarvet. Tarkovsky's magnum opus on what it means to be human.



Ikarie XB 1 (U)

Dir. Jindrich Polak. Czechslovakia, 1965. 1h 21m. Czech/subs. Starring Jiri Vrstala, Zdenek Stepanek. 4K restoration of Polák's pioneering and much-imitated cornerstone of contemporary sci-fi.



Alien (15)

Dir. Ridley Scott. USA, 1979. 1h 56m. Starring Sigourney Weaver, John Hurt, Harry Dean Stanton. In space, no one can hear you scream! 40th-anniversary 4K restoration of Scott's terrifying deep space horror.

FILM TIMES

FRIDAY 14 JUNE

18:45 Amazing Grace
20:45 Extremely Wicked...

SATURDAY 15 JUNE

16:15 Amazing Grace
18:15 Extremely Wicked...
20:45 Arctic

SUNDAY 16 JUNE

15:00 Solaris
18:15 Arctic
20:30 Extremely Wicked...

MONDAY 17 JUNE

18:00 Solaris
21:15 Amazing Grace

TUESDAY 18 JUNE

18:15 Extremely Wicked...
20:45 Arctic

WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE

19:00 EOS: Van Gogh & Japan
21:00 Amazing Grace

THURSDAY 20 JUNE

12:30 *Baby Club*
16:30 Amazing Grace
18:30 Arctic
20:45 Extremely Wicked...

FRIDAY 21 JUNE

18:30 Vox Lux
21:00 High Life

SATURDAY 22 JUNE

16:00 Vox Lux
18:30 High Life
21:00 Beats

SUNDAY 23 JUNE

16:00 Ikarie XB 1
18:00 High Life
20:30 Vox Lux

MONDAY 24 JUNE

18:30 Ikarie XB 1
20:30 Beats

TUESDAY 25 JUNE

18:00 Edmond
21:00 Vox Lux

WEDNESDAY 26 JUNE

18:30 Beats
20:45 High Life

THURSDAY 27 JUNE

16:00 High Life
18:30 Vox Lux
21:00 Beats

FRIDAY 28 JUNE

18:45 Booksmart
21:00 Thunder Road

SATURDAY 29 JUNE

16:00 Birds of Passage
18:45 Thunder Road
20:45 Booksmart

SUNDAY 30 JUNE

15:45 Alien
18:15 Booksmart
20:30 Birds of Passage

MONDAY 1 JULY

18:30 Alien
21:00 Thunder Road

TUESDAY 2 JULY

18:30 *Booksmart (subs)*
20:45 Birds of Passage

WEDNESDAY 3 JULY

18:00 MAO: City As Studio
20:15 Booksmart

THURSDAY 4 JULY

12:30 *Baby Club*
16:15 Thunder Road
18:15 Birds of Passage
21:00 Thunder Road

FRIDAY 5 JULY

18:15 John McEnroe...
20:30 Rocketman

SATURDAY 6 JULY

14:30 Rocketman
17:15 Rocketman
20:00 Sunset
23:00 Mean Girls

SUNDAY 7 JULY

Closed for Cowley Road Carnival

MONDAY 8 JULY

18:15 Rocketman
21:00 John McEnroe...

TUESDAY 9 JULY

18:00 *Rocketman (subs)*
20:45 Sunset

WEDNESDAY 10 JULY

18:00 Sunset
21:00 Rocketman

THURSDAY 11 JULY

15:15 Sunset
18:15 Rocketman
21:00 John McEnroe...

HOH SUBTITLED SCREENINGS: early Tuesday evenings when we can. 02/07 Booksmart, 09/07 Rocketman

BABY CLUB: every other Thursday, just for parents with babies. 20/06 Arctic, 04/07 Booksmart



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