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Supporting film in school curricula and promoting film literacy for children and young people.

Welcome to the IFI Schools Programme 2023-2024!

We're delighted to offer a brand-new programme of films for the 2023-2024 school year.

Highlights to keep an eye out for:

- **Think Languages** Week from November 27th-December 1st 2023.
- Meet the Filmmaker events, at screenings of select Irish titles.
- New TY themed strand **'Making History?'** examining titles beyond their history-making records to discuss how films utilise history creatively.

Ticket Prices for Schools Programme 23/24:

- Due to VAT changes on September 1st 2023, our ticket prices have increased to €6.00 per student however, **student ticket prices will remain €5.80 online until the end of December 2023.**
- Teacher tickets remain free of charge.
- Tickets booked online will be prioritised and bookings will not be held over email.
- If your school is a **DEIS school** please email **schools@irishfilm.ie** to avail of discounts on certain films.

We hope you enjoy the 2023-24 programme!

Alicia, Amy Louise, Holly

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Your Visit to the IFI

Tips for booking your school visit to the IFI

CHECK OUT THE PROGRAMME!



Browse our new programme full of new titles for 23/24. Keep an eye on ifi.ie/booking for up to date listings of screenings.

SCHOOL CALENDAR



Check screening dates fit with your school calendar. School Screenings usually begin at 10.30am and run Tuesday-Thursday.

BOOK ONLINE



Book your tickets on ifi.ie/learn/booking. Student tickets are €5.80 online until December 2023. You'll have your seats instantly confirmed by email.

ON THE DAY OF THE SCREENING



- IFI doors open at 10am. Arrive early to be seated.
- Please remind your group no food or drink in screen.
- Enjoy an introduction from IFI Education.

BACK IN THE CLASSROOM



- Incorporate the film into your lesson plan.
- IFI Study Guides available for MFL titles ifi.ie/studyguides.



Book
online!

Sixteen

(16 Ans)

**Nov 28, Jan 17, Feb 22,
Mar 21, Apr 23 (10.30)**

Age Rec: 15+

Our Senior French choice for this year is a star-crossed romance. Classmates Nora and Leo fall in love at school, but their relationship faces intense opposition from their parents and family. Despite the different familial backgrounds and beliefs, the pair continue their romance undercover. This contemporary retelling of *Romeo & Juliet*, focusing on opposing religious beliefs rather than duelling families, is a gripping and engaging film for older teens.

France • 2023 • 94 mins • French • Drama
Director: Philippe Lioret

A study guide from
French Cultural Service is
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FOR THINK LANGUAGES WEEK 2023

Bantry, Cinemax Bantry	Nov 29
027 55777	
Bray, Mermaid County Wicklow Arts Centre	Nov 27
01 272 4030	
Ballina, Ballina Arts Centre	Nov 28
096 73593	
Letterkenny, Century Cinemas	Nov 27
074 912 1976	
Tralee, Siamsa Tíre	Nov 29
066 712 3055	
IMC Athlone	Nov 28
Book on ifi.ie	
IMC Mullingar	Dec 1
Book on ifi.ie	
Portlaoise, Dunamais Arts Centre	Nov 30
057 866 3355	
Leitrim, The Dock	Nov 27
071 960 828	
Waterford, Garter Lane Arts Centre	Nov 27
051 877 153	
Roscommon, Roscommon Arts Centre	Nov 29
090 665 824	
Sligo, The Model	Nov 28
071 9141405	
Drogheda, Droichead Arts Centre	Dec 1
041 983 3946	

ALSO SHOWING AT FESTIVALS

Cork, Cork International Film Festival	Nov 13-24
021 427 1711	
Galway, Galway Junior Film Fleadh	Nov 13-16
091 562 200	
Limerick, Fresh Film Festival	April 15
061 31955	

ALSO IN SPRING 2024 AT

Linenhall Theatre Castlebar, Watergate Theatre Kilkenny, Riverbank Arts Centre Newbridge and Source Arts Centre Thurles. Contact venues for further information.

IFI French Film Festival

IFI French Film Festival will run from
15th–26th November.
See www.ifi.ie/frenchfest for full details.





Book online!

The Little Gang

(La Petite Bande)

Nov 15, Jan 24, Apr 9 (10.30)

Age Rec: 12+

Four young people form a plan to stop the local factory polluting their water supply and help raise awareness about climate change. When the young activists carry out a late-night attack on the factory, things don't go quite to plan. This French comedy drama will have you rooting for the mini climate activists, despite their offences.

France • 2022 • 106 mins • French • Drama
Director: Pierre Salvadori

Also available on
 IFI@Schools



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Gagarine. Girlhood.

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Book online!

Too Far Away

(Zu Weit Weg)

Nov 14, Jan 10, Apr 25 (10.30)

Age Rec: 12+

When a large mining company takes over their village, Ben's family must move to a nearby city. Feeling displaced, he starts at a new school where he shares his outsider status and a love of football with new student and Syrian refugee Tariq. Learning that his friend longs to reunite with his scattered family, Ben decides to help Tariq locate his older brother, in turn finding a way to exist in their new surroundings. A charming football drama set in modern-day Germany.

Germany • 2019 • 88 mins • German • Drama
Director: Sarah Winkenkette

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Study guide available from
ifi.ie/studyguides



FOR THINK LANGUAGES WEEK 2023

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Run Lola Run - 25th Anniversary

(Lola Rennt)

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online!

Nov 30, Jan 11, Mar 20,
Apr 16 (10.30)

Age Rec: 15+

In celebration of the film's 25th anniversary, we are bringing *Run Lola Run* back to the big screen for new schools audiences. Bursting on to the scene in 1998, *Run Lola Run* became an instant cult classic thanks to its innovative style and catchy soundtrack. The set-up is simple: Lola gets a phone call from her boyfriend Manni, who needs to deliver 100,000 Deutschmarks to a local gangster at noon, 20 minutes from now. Will she get the money in time? Or will her father, the police, and barking dogs get in her way?

Germany • 1998 • 81 mins • German • Thriller
Director: Tom Tykwer

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Updated study guide
available from
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Cork, Cork International Film Festival	Nov 13-24
021 427 1711	

SPRING 2024

For future dates, check with your local venue.



Spanish

Book
online!

Schoolgirls

(Las Niñas)

Nov 30, Jan 23,
Mar 14, Apr 11 (10.30)

Age Rec: 15+

It is 1992 in north-eastern Spain where 11-year-old Celia lives with her widowed mother and attends the local all-girls Catholic school. The monotony is interrupted by the arrival of cool new student Brisa, who is from Barcelona. Instantly taking Celia under her wing, the girls play with make-up, try alcohol and cigarettes, and stir up trouble. All the while, Celia is learning the realities of being the daughter of an unwed woman in a Catholic country. A charming coming-of-age drama about identity and growing up.

Spain • 2020 • 107 mins • Spanish/Catalan • Drama
Director: Pilar Palomero

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 Asesoría de Educación en Irlanda
 is available to download from
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Spanish

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One For All

(Uno Para Todos)

Nov 8, Dec 14, Feb 27 (10.30)

Age Rec: 12+

When a new student arrives to 6th class in a village school, none of the classmates want him there. The substitute teacher, also new to the village, is feeling out of place but must help the boy settle as well as come to terms with where his own life has brought him.

Spain • 2020 • 91 mins • Spanish • Drama
Director: David Ilundain

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FOR THINK LANGUAGES WEEK 2023

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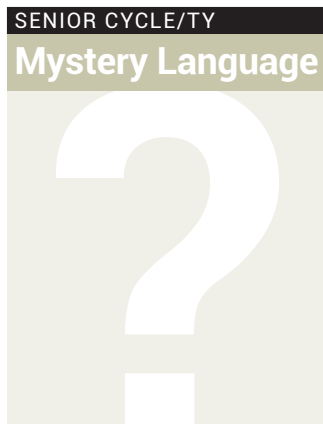
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Mystery Film

Nov 29 (10.30)



In celebration of **Think Languages Week 2023**, take a chance on our mystery film! A unique opportunity to explore world cinema and learn more about a particular culture and language with your students. With possibilities spanning the entire world, will it be a cinema classic? A modern masterpiece? Or something completely new? You'll have to wait and see!

King Lear: NT Live – Encore Screening

Feb 20 (10.15)

Age Rec: 15+

Shakespeare's great tragedy is given a magnificent interpretation with Ian McKellan as the king who prepares to divide his kingdom between his daughters. Jealousy, bitterness, and revenge are played out in a violent power struggle of family and state, spurred on by Lear's blindness.
UK • 2022 • 227 mins • Drama
Director: Jonathan Munby

Tickets: €8.00 per student



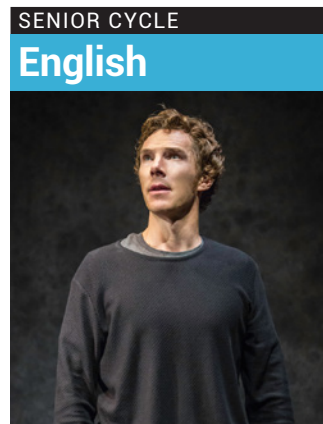
Hamlet: NT Live – Encore Screening

Dec 7 (10.15)

Age Rec: 15+

William Shakespeare's *Hamlet* returns in this National Theatre presentation, in which Benedict Cumberbatch delivers a masterful interpretation of a Hamlet profoundly torn. A hit upon its initial release, this production renders Shakespeare's protagonist identifiable to a new generation.
UK • 2015 • 240 mins • Drama
Director: Lyndsey Turner

Tickets: €8.00 per student



Philadelphia, Here I Come!

Nov 22 (10.30)

Age Rec: 15+

This adaptation of Brian Friel's 1964 play brought the Public and Private Gars to screen life, particularly through the performance of Donal McCann as Public, with support from some of the finest actors of the time. As Gar plans for emigration, his musings over small town Ballybeg life and his relationship with his taciturn father draws on Friel's theatrical device of Gar Private, allowing the two to interact on the eve of his departure.
Ireland • 1977 • 95 mins • Drama
Director: John Quedsted

Also available on
IFI@Schools



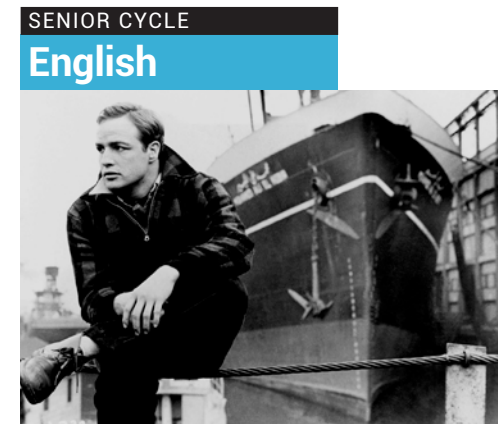
On The Waterfront

Mar 7 (10.30)

Age Rec: 15+

Returning to the Leaving Cert Comparative, *On the Waterfront* is an emblematic tale of resistance, justice, and social corruption. Ex-prize fighter Terry Malloy (Marlon Brando) unwittingly assists Friendly, the corrupt boss of the local Dockers Union, in the murder of a longshoreman who had spoken to the police. Plagued with guilt as he grows closer to the dead man's sister Edie, Terry deliberates over the right action to take.
USA • 1954 • 108 mins • Drama
Director: Elia Kazan

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Little Women
The Elephant Man
The Princess Bride
The Farthest
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Mustang
Knives Out

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SENIOR CYCLE/TY

Gaeilge



An Cailín Ciúin

Mar 5, (10.30)

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As the most successful Irish language film ever, this award-winning adaptation of Claire Keegan's novella needs little introduction. For students of Irish language or Irish film, it remains essential viewing, conveying an Ireland of 1980s with its secrets and unspoken emotions, as seen through the eyes of a young girl, Cáit, during a summer in foster care. Hugely affecting, beautifully shot and directed, *An Cailín Ciúin* is unmissable.

Ireland • 2022 • 95 mins • Irish with English subtitles • Drama • Director: Colm Bairéad

Free study guide available to download from ifi.ie/studyguides

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TY

Gaeilge



Róise & Frank

Mar 12, (10.30)

PG

Following the huge success of *An Cailín Ciúin*, this wonderfully warm tale of a recently widowed woman continues the wave of Irish language filmmaking. As she tries to come to terms with the death of her husband, Róise rarely ventures out until a dog finds its way to her door. The dog has a favourite chair, and loves steak and sport, convincing her that it is in fact her late husband. Charming, evocative and with brilliant performances, including that of the dog.

Ireland • 2022 • 90 mins • Irish with English subtitles • Drama
Directors: Rachael Moriarty & Peter Murphy

Also available on
IFI@Schools



SENIOR/TY

Business



Fashion Reimagined

Feb 21, (10.30)

Age Rec: 12+

As extreme climate episodes this summer prompt us to change our lifestyles, the topic of fast fashion rears its head again as unsustainable. Responding to climate issues and to create a better future for her operation, high-flying London designer Amy Powney sets out to create a fully sustainable collection from start to wear, transforming her own fashion business in this highly engaging documentary.

UK-USA • 2022 • 82 mins • Documentary
Director: Becky Hutner

SENIOR/TY

Business



406 Days: The Debenhams Picket Line

Nov 21, (10.30)

PG

Debenhams, a previous mainstay on Irish high streets, hit the headlines in April 2020 with the announcement that all 11 Irish stores would close, immediately making 1,000 workers redundant. What soon followed was an official strike from its former Irish workforce, 95% of whom were female, which quickly developed into the longest industrial dispute in Irish labour history. Featuring engrossing interviews with the women in charge, this enlightening documentary shows the friendship and comradery behind the picket lines.

Ireland • 2023 • 90 mins • Drama
Director: Joe Lee

Post screening discussion with director Joe Lee

Making History?

Films often play with historical themes, and directors and screenwriters enjoy a freedom of playing with the question 'what if?' through the creative medium of film. This TY selection of films for 2023-24 explores the idea of history, as well as history-making films in their own right, be it at the box office or through advances in technology. Plan to visit them all, or a selection, and then debate history in filmmaking back in the classroom.

TY

Film Studies



LOLA

Nov 9 (10.30)



It's Britain in 1940, and sisters Thom and Mars have built a time machine that can intercept TV and radio broadcasts from the future. Christened LOLA, the sisters become quickly acquainted with the pop culture of decades to come, including a burgeoning love for David Bowie. However, with the arrival of WWII and the Blitz, LOLA's talents will have to be put to greater use. Playing with history itself through realistic found footage and real archive footage from the time, *LOLA* is a creative ode to an imagined past.

Ireland-UK • 2023 • 80 mins • Sci-Fi
Director: Andrew Legge

Post screening discussion
with director Andrew Legge

TY

Film Studies



Oppenheimer

Oct 24 (10.15)



One of summer's biggest films, this Cillian Murphy-starring biopic of epic proportions is a must-see on the cinema screen. Following the story of paradoxical physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer and his direction of the Manhattan Project, *Oppenheimer* has been highly praised for its historical accuracy in depicting the development of the atomic bomb and Oppenheimer's eventual fall from grace. A compelling drama that grapples with themes of ethics, moral responsibility and the pursuit of science.

USA-UK • 2023 • 180 mins • English/German/Italian • Biography/Drama/History
Director: Christopher Nolan

TY

Film Studies



Barbie

Jan 30 (10.30)



Hi Barbie! Officially the most successful film of all time at the Irish box office, Mattel's iconic doll is brought to life by director Greta Gerwig in this pink feminist retelling of Barbie. Questions of gendered societal norms and expectations are challenged as Barbie (Margot Robbie) and Ken (Ryan Gosling) leave Barbieland and go on a journey of self-discovery.

UK-USA • 2023 • 114 mins • Drama
Director: Greta Gerwig

TY

Film Studies



Jurassic Park

Feb 29 (10.30)



In the same year as Spielberg's testament to the Holocaust, *Schindler's List*, he released the dinosaur film that would change cinema, heralding a new age in CGI. A thrilling rollercoaster ride in which the dinosaurs are the real stars, living and roaming on a remote island where they have been grown from DNA. The arrival of two palaeontologists, a mathematician, and some children leads to some huge thrills and heart-stopping moments after a power failure causes the dinos to escape.

USA • 1993 • 127 mins • English/Spanish • Action/Adventure
Director: Steven Spielberg

TY

Climate Event



How to Blow Up a Pipeline

Oct 11, (10.30)



In the pursuit of climate justice, does the end justify the means? That's the question posed in this gripping eco-thriller, which follows a group of young environmental activists and their plan to disrupt an oil pipeline. A fictional interpretation of the 2021 non-fiction novel of the same name, this heist film with an edge carries wide opportunity for conversations with your students on the climate crisis, activism, and responsibility.

USA • 2023 • 104 mins • Thriller
Director: Daniel Goldhaber

How to Blow Up a Pipeline Discussion

Showing in association with The Bohemian Environmental Justice Film Festival, this screening will be followed by an interactive exploration of climate action led by members of Bohemian Climate Co-Operative.

The Bohemian Environmental Justice Film Festival (BEFF) is a festival which focuses on the stories of people and communities on the front lines of the fight against environmental catastrophe. An initiative of Bohemians Climate Co-operative, BEFF seeks to bring empowering messages about climate action to football fans and the broader community.



TY

Irish Film



North Circular

Dec 5 (10.30)



A visual essay dedicated to iconic Dublin street, the North Circular Road. Beginning at the vast open space of Phoenix Park, and winding its way to the centre of city life, the road meets a variety of personalities and characters that make the place unique and special. This beautiful black-and-white documentary captures the heart and soul of the physical space, accompanied by haunting musical interludes from local artists, including John Francis Flynn and Gemma Dunleavy.

Ireland • 2022 • 89 mins •

Documentary

Director: Luke McManus

Post screening discussion
 with director Luke McManus.

TY

Irish Film



Lakelands

Jan 16 (10.30)



Following a late-night attack, young footballer Cian receives a devastating head injury that halts his activities with the local GAA team. Previously content with working on the farm and hanging out with friends, Cian struggles to fill the void that football leaves behind. A realistic insight into the complexities of small town rural Irish life and men's mental health, *Lakelands* is an impressive feature film debut from Longford filmmakers Robert Higgins and Patrick McGivney, who set the film in their hometown of Granard.

Ireland • 2023 • 100 mins •
Drama

Director: Robert Higgins & Patrick McGivney

SENIOR CYCLE/TY

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The Last Rider

Feb 1 (10.30)

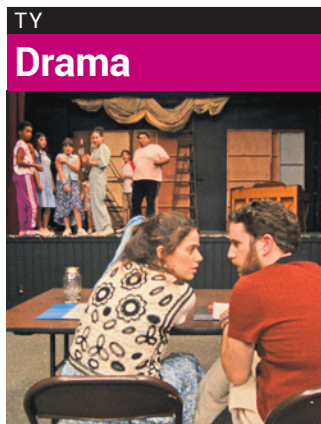
Age Rec: 15+

At the Tour De France in 1986, Greg LeMond became the first American cyclist to win. This documentary, from director Alex Holmes (*Maiden*, 2018), follows the events following that victory, including LeMond being shot in the chest in a freak accident and the cyclist's fight back to compete, resulting in one of the greatest comebacks in sports history. The film gives ample space for LeMond to tell his story and features memorable contributions from his wife Kathy, and Laurent Fignon, his main rival for the yellow jersey.

UK • 2022 • 96 mins •

Documentary

Director: Alex Holmes



TY

Drama

Theater Camp

Nov 23 (10.30)

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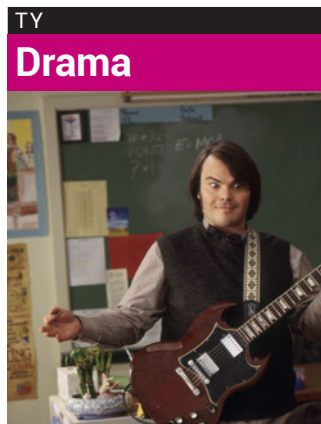
For drama, theatre, and mockumentary fans, this very amusing song and dance feature, adapted from a short film, takes on the familiar story of the run-down theatre fighting to stay afloat. With a zippy and fun approach that takes us from audition montages to a show-stopping finale, the filmmakers' love of the material comes through.

USA • 2023 • 92 mins • Comedy
Directors: Molly Gordon & Nick Lieberman

Musical Theatre Workshop

In association with the Gaiety School of Acting, we are offering two musical theatre workshops following the film. Please note, workshops are limited to 30 places each, first come first served. Workshop price €3.00 and film ticket required.

Online booking only.



TY

Drama

School of Rock

20th Anniversary Screening

Feb 7 (10.30)

Age Rec: 12+

A fun-loving testament to the power of rock n' roll and sticking it to the man, *School of Rock* remains iconic two decades on. Kicked out of his band, Dewey (Jack Black) hatches a hare-brained scheme that involves impersonating a substitute teacher at a local private school and forming a band with his new students, all to enter a local Battle of the Bands and win \$20,000. Originally in it for fame and fortune, Dewey soon learns the true value of teaching as he gets to know his students.

USA-Germany • 2003 • 109 mins • Comedy/Music
Director: Richard Linklater



TY

Drama

The Noble Call

Oct 17 (10.30)

Age Rec: 12+

The IFTA-nominated play, written by Michael Hartnett, features Vinnie McCabe as terminally ill Da and Noni Stapleton as his daughter, facing difficult conversations. Adapted for screen by Ronan O'Leary, the film's theatre origins allows the story to tightly unfold, while closeups and framing create an intimate, emotional atmosphere. Following the screening, actor, director and writer will discuss the project.

Ireland • 2021 • 55 mins • Drama
Director: Ronan O'Leary

Post screening discussion



JUNIOR CYCLE

Wellbeing

Are You There, God? It's Me, Margaret

Oct 26 (10.30)

PG

A big-screen adaptation of the bestselling book, starring Rachel McAdams, Kathy Bates, and newcomer Abby Ryder Fortson. It's the summer of 1970, and 11-year-old Margaret has just moved from New York to the suburbs, leaving her beloved grandmother behind. With growing anxieties around puberty, friendship, and boys, Margaret attempts to communicate with God for the first time. Deftly tackling teen topics with a frank and hilarious flair, this sweet-natured film proves how the book stood the test of time.

USA • 2023 • 106 mins • English/Hebrew • Drama
Director: Kelly Fremon Craig



JUNIOR CYCLE

Wellbeing

Name Me Lawand

Dec 12 (10.30)

PG

To mark International Human Rights Day, a special school screening of the hugely affecting documentary *Name Me Lawand*. Lawand is a five-year-old Kurdish boy, deaf since birth and unable to communicate with those around him. Living in Iraq, Lawand's parents make the decision to travel to the UK as refugees. The family eventually settles in Derby and this documentary follows Lawand's dramatic progress over several years, as he learns British Sign Language, revealing a bright, charismatic, and inquisitive boy who discovers friendship and a new way to express himself.

UK • 2022 • 82 mins • Closed Captions in English • Documentary
Director: Edward Lovelace



Puffin Rock agus Cairde Nua

Mar 13, 10.30



Ar Chreag na bPuifíní, oileán álainn in Éirinn, glacann Oona an tasc dúshlánach uirthi féin a baile féin a bhfuil grá aici dó a chosaint agus a chinntiú go dtiocfaidh a pobal slán. Tá cuid mhór puifíní nua i ndiaidh teacht, ag lorg le saol nua ar Chreag na bPuifíní. Tugann clann Puifíní ubh bheag leo ach téann ubh ar iarraidh go mistéireach. Agus stoirm mhór ag teacht, déanann Oona agus a cairde iarracht teacht ar an ubh agus iad féin a dhéanamh réidh don stoirm.

UK-Ireland • 2023 • 80 mins • Irish with English subtitles • Animation
Director: Jeremy Purcell



Puffin Rock And The New Friends

May 2 (10.30)



Set on the beautiful Irish island of Puffin Rock, young puffin Oona undertakes a challenging mission to protect the home she loves and ensure the survival of her community. When many new puffins arrive seeking shelter, a little egg disappears under mysterious circumstances. With a big storm approaching, Oona and her friends race against time to find the egg and brace for the storm.

UK-Ireland • 2023 • 80 mins • Animation
Director: Jeremy Purcell



Dounia and The Princess of Aleppo

Dec 13 (10.30)

Age Rec: 8+

Dounia and the Princess of Aleppo follows the story of young Dounia, who is driven from Syria due to war. Travelling with her grandparents, and a handful of magical nigella seeds in tow, Dounia must make the long journey to a potential new home, aided by the mythological Princess of Aleppo. A beautiful tribute to the rich culture of Syria, combined with added magic and storytelling.

Canada-France • 2023 • 72 mins • French with English subtitles • Animation
Directors: André Kadi & Marya Zarif



Heart of Oak

(Le Chêne)

Mar 19 (10.30)

Age Rec: 8+

Broaden your pupils' understanding of biodiversity with this beautiful dialogue-free documentary film, which records a year in the life of a 210-year-old oak tree, where mice, insects, birds and a red squirrel all fight for space as the tree grows majestically through the seasons. Free of voiceover, with a soundtrack adding to the tension of hunting creatures, storms and calm.

France • 2022 • 80 minutes • Documentary • Directors: Laurent Charbonnier & Michel Seydoux

National Tree Week 2024

Our screening of this amazing film coincides with National Tree Week 2024. Before the screening, we would like you to research trees in your local area, and find out what the trees contribute to biodiversity. See our website for more information on our Top Tree Activities for you to do with your class.



Lunana: A Yak in the Classroom

May 9 (10.30)

Age Rec: 8+

This charming fish-out-of-water drama is set in Bhutan, where young teacher Ugyen finds himself posted to a remote school in Lunana, a week's trek away from the city. Just as Ugyen has to adjust to his new life, so too does the village, which faces inevitable change to their traditional and peaceful lifestyles. A funny, warm and thought provoking addition to global citizenship lessons,
Bhutan • 2019 • 110 mins • Dzongkha/English • Drama • Director: Pawo Choyning Dorji

IFI Schools & Europa Cinemas



Collaborate to Innovate Project

For 2023/24, IFI Schools are delighted to be participants in the Europa Cinemas Collaborate to Innovate Initiative, together with partnering venues Cinemax Bantry, Garter Lane Arts Centre and Riverbank Arts Centre.

Collaborate to Innovate aims to support innovative and collective approaches and strategies to develop audiences for European films and to improve the circulation and diversity of European films. Europa Cinemas is the first network of cinemas focusing on European films. Created in 1992, it has become in 30 years a network of almost 1,221 cinemas and 3,060 screens in 38 countries. IFI is a member of the Europa Cinemas network.

For Collaborate to Innovate, IFI Schools will utilise digital technologies and funding support to share select European films with partner venues for schools audience. This innovation will enable venues to draw on films to suit their schedules, as much as possible, as well as organise repeat viewings at different points in the year. Without reliance on physical drives or courier services, cloud based technology will support venues in organising their screenings. Making the most of the IFI Schools touring films, partner venues will screen titles for Senior and Junior German, French and Spanish, to their schools' audiences.



IFI Careers in Screen 2023/24



Our annual Careers in Screen programme, delivered with the support of Screen Ireland, continues to prove extremely popular for students interested in exploring roles in screen industries. With a host of guests, talks, and workshops, as well as a unique Careers in Animation Event, there will be plenty to engage a range of interests.

- Meet filmmakers at Q&As and guest events and find out about their career paths.
- Get to know Irish film through our in-cinema or online programme, with special guests at select screenings. Contact IFI Schools for information on discount tickets.
- Sign up for the 22 & Under card for 16+ and watch new films including Irish titles for as little as €5.00!
- Watch Irish film at the IFI and join in at post-film discussions with filmmakers. See *The Noble Call*, *LOLA* and *North Circular*.

- Check out the IFI Careers Space, an online portal featuring past IFI Careers Events, Q&As, and workshops. Watch interviews with a variety of industry professionals, including those behind *The Banshees of Inisherin*, *An Caillín Ciúin*, *Bad Sisters* and more!

- Take part in Careers in Screen Day on March 6th, 2024.
- Take part in Careers in Animation Day in April 2024.
- Link in elements of the Careers programme with your Gaisce Award. IFI is a Gaisce Challenge Partner. Discuss with your PAL.
- Keep track of your Careers in Screen research with Skills Summary.

Transition year students and up can access any, or all, of these events. All ticketed, some free. If you are a DEIS school, please get in touch: schools@irishfilm.ie.

Coming up on IFI@Schools

Bring film to the classroom with IFI@Schools, our streaming library for primary and post-primary schools. Some exciting additions for the new term include an expansion of our English-curriculum offerings, more Modern Foreign Language titles, two new Irish-language films, titles exploring topical themes of Climate, Human Rights and Wellbeing and much more.

Unlike other online streaming platforms, IFI@Schools is purpose-built for the classroom. Featuring a range of engaging and suitable content chosen with the curriculum in mind, as well as an extended watch-window of 10 days to accommodate watching during class periods. Teachers can purchase film bundles to watch with their class, or get in touch to inquire about our School Pass which offers full-catalogue access for up to ten teachers.

Visit ifischools.ie to learn more.

Special Events

Keep an eye on ifischools.ie for relevant film bundles to watch in the classroom. Starting with informative and engaging titles for **Black History Month** in October, check back throughout the year for more films, including **Think Languages Week** (Nov 27th-Dec 1st), **World Human Rights Day** (December 10th), **Holocaust Memorial Day** (January 27th), **Seachtain na Gaeilge** (March 2024) and more!

Staging the Treaty

We are pleased to present the 4-part filmed presentation of **Staging the Treaty**, a long-form theatre production that brings to life one of the most significant events in Irish history: the Dáil Debates of 1921/22 in Earlsfort Terrace. Exploring the historical and contemporary relevance of the debate, the long-form project will prove fascinating viewing for any history students.

Available to watch in the classroom on ifischools.ie from October 9th. €5.00 each, all four parts available for €15.00.

Stand-Up Awareness Week

Nov 6th-10th

The IFI is delighted to once again partner with BeLoNG To to offer a limited number of free, online screenings of select LGBTQ+ films for participating schools. Interested schools can check out belongto.org/standup to sign up for access.

Available from ifischools.ie from Nov 6th-10th.



Initiatives / Save the date



Young Audience Film Day

Do you know a young person aged 12-19 who likes films? We are currently looking for interested young people to participate in our Young Audience Film Day, **Sunday November 5th**. Held in collaboration with the European Film Academy, participants will join us onsite in the Irish Film Institute for a day of discussions, activities and a screening of a mystery film, which will also screen simultaneously to young audiences throughout Europe. An excellent opportunity to explore European cinema and chat to like-minded peers, interested participants can email amylouiseocallaghan@irishfilm.ie for more information.

IFI Archive Player in the Classroom

The IFI Archive Player offers access to the remarkable moving image collections held at the Irish Film Archive including home movies, newsreels, travelogues and recent additions. These are a great visual tool for exploring local history and visual culture in the classroom. Visit www.ifiarchiveplayer.ie

Gaisce – The President's Award

Undertaking your Gaisce Award? The IFI is a Gaisce Challenge Partner, which means you can use film research, film literacy, and our Careers in Screen events in the personal skill area of your Gaisce Award. Discuss with your PAL and contact Holly (hfurlong@irishfilm.ie) for further information.

IFI Film Shop

The IFI Film Shop carries a full range of films that are suitable for schools on DVD and Blu-Ray. For prices and information contact the IFI Film Shop on **01 678 5727** or email filmshop@irishfilm.ie

22 & Under

If you are aged 16-22, register for a 22 & Under card and enjoy €5.00 cinema tickets, 7 days a week. Register at the IFI Box Office with proof of age. Full terms and conditions available on ifi.ie/22under

IFI and The Ark

For spring, in an exciting collaboration with our neighbours at The Ark, we will have a special programme of short films, tying in with The Ark Spring workshop themes. See our Spring flyer or online for further information later in the year.

Partner Festivals



Cork International Film Festival

Nov 9-26

Cork International Film Festival will present a selection of IFI Education titles in Cork City (The Everyman Theatre) November 13th – 17th, and Ballincollig (The Reel Picture), Midleton and Mallow (Gate Cinemas) November 20th – 24th. For more information and bookings, please contact Cork International Film Festival at 021 427 1711 or email schools@corkfilmfest.org



Junior Galway Film Fleadh

Nov 13-16

The Junior Galway Film Fleadh takes place from November 13th – 16th, presenting IFI Education titles at Pálás Galway. For further information and bookings email junior@filmfleadh.ie

Fresh Film Showcase

Dec 6 (13.00-15.30) IFI Dublin

Fresh Film's annual showcase of winning films from Ireland's Young Filmmaker of the Year is a collection of awarded films made by young filmmakers. The free screening will include a Q&A. For more information about Fresh Film see www.freshfilm.ie / To book via Eventbrite <https://IFIShowcase2023.eventbrite.ie> To book groups email: info@freshfilmfestival.net

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October	Venue		Subject	pg
11	How to Blow up a Pipeline + Workshop	IFI	TY	
17	The Noble Call	IFI	TY/Drama	
24	Oppenheimer	IFI	TY	
26	Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret	IFI	Junior Wellbeing	
October on IFI@Schools:				
Black History Month Film Bundle and Staging the Treaty Film Bundle				

November				
8	One for All	IFI	Junior Spanish	
9	LOLA	IFI	TY	
13-16	Sixteen	Galway	Senior French	
13-16	Schoolgirls	Galway	Senior Spanish	
13-24	Sixteen	Cork	Senior French	
13-24	The Little Gang	Cork	Junior French	
13-24	Run Lola Run	Cork	Senior German	
13-24	Too Far Away	Cork	Junior German	
13-24	Schoolgirls	Cork	Senior Spanish	
13-24	One for All	Cork	Junior Spanish	
14	Too Far Away	IFI	Junior German	
15	The Little Gang	IFI	Junior French	
21	406 Days	IFI	TY/Business	
22	Philadelphia, Here I Come!	IFI	Senior English	
23	Theater Camp	IFI	TY	
Think Languages Week 27th November-1st December				
27	Run Lola Run	Mayo	Senior German	
27	Sixteen	Bray	Senior French	
27	Schoolgirls	Dún Laoghaire	Senior Spanish	
27	Sixteen	Letterkenny	Senior French	
27	Sixteen	Leitrim	Senior French	
27	The Little Gang	Waterford	Junior French	
27	Sixteen	Waterford	Senior French	
28	Sixteen	IFI	Senior French	
28	The Little Gang	Mayo	Junior French	
28	Sixteen	Mayo	Senior French	
28	Sixteen	Athlone	Senior French	
28	Run Lola Run	Athlone	Senior German	
28	Run Lola Run	Letterkenny	Senior German	
28	Sixteen	Sligo	Senior French	
28	The Little Gang	Roscommon	Junior French	
28	Too Far Away	Waterford	Junior German	
28	Run Lola Run	Waterford	Senior German	
29	Mystery Film	IFI	???	
29	Sixteen	Bantry	Senior French	
29	Sixteen	Tralee	Senior French	
29	Schoolgirls	Letterkenny	Senior Spanish	
29	Run Lola Run	Sligo	Senior German	

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November continued		Venue	Subject	pg
29	Sixteen	Roscommon	Senior French	
29	One for All	Waterford	Junior Spanish	
29	Schoolgirls	Waterford	Senior Spanish	
30	Schoolgirls	IFI	Senior Spanish	
30	Run Lola Run	IFI	Senior German	
30	Sixteen	Portlaoise	Senior French	
30	The Little Gang	Letterkenny	Junior French	
30	Schoolgirls	Sligo	Senior Spanish	
November on IFI@Schools:				
Belong To Stand-Up Awareness Week Film Bundle and Think Languages Week Film Bundle				

December				
Think Languages Week 27th November-1st December				
1	Run Lola Run	Mullingar	Senior German	
1	The Little Gang	Louth	Junior French	
1	Sixteen	Mullingar	Senior French	
1	Too Far Away	Letterkenny	Junior German	
5	North Circular	IFI	TY	
6	Fresh Film Showcase	IFI		
7	NT Live – Hamlet	IFI	Senior English	
12	Name Me Lawand	IFI	Junior Wellbeing	
13	Douania and the Princess of Aleppo	IFI	Primary	
14	One for All	IFI	Junior Spanish	
December on IFI@Schools:				
Human Rights Day Film Bundle				

January				
10	Too Far Away	IFI	Junior German	
11	Run Lola Run	IFI	Senior German	
16	Lakelands	IFI	TY	
17	Sixteen	IFI	Senior French	
23	Schoolgirls	IFI	Senior Spanish	
24	The Little Gang	IFI	Junior French	
30	Barbie	IFI	TY	
January on IFI@Schools:				
Wellbeing Film Bundle and Engaging with Holocaust Remembrance Day Film Bundle				

February				
1	The Last Rider	IFI	PE	
7	School of Rock	IFI	Junior Cycle	
20	NT Live – King Lear	IFI	Senior English	
21	Fashion Reimagined	IFI	TY/Business	
22	Sixteen	IFI	Senior French	
27	One for All	IFI	Junior Spanish	
29	Jurassic Park	IFI	TY	

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March		Venue	Subject	pg
5	An Cailín Ciúin	IFI	Gaeilge	
6	IFI Careers in Screen	IFI	TY	
7	On the Waterfront	IFI	Senior English	
12	Róise & Frank	IFI	Gaeilge	
13	Puffin Rock agus Cairde Nua	IFI	Primary Gaeilge	
14	Schoolgirls	IFI	Senior Spanish	
19	Heart of Oak	IFI	Primary	
20	Run Lola Run	IFI	Senior German	
21	Sixteen	IFI	Senior French	
March on IFI@Schools:				
Seachtain na Gaeilge Film Bundle				

April				
9	The Little Gang	IFI	Junior French	
10	IFI Careers in Animation	IFI	TY	
11	Schoolgirls	IFI	Senior Spanish	
15	Sixteen	Fresh Film Festival, Limerick	Senior French	
16	Run Lola Run	IFI	Senior German	
23	Sixteen	IFI	Senior German	
25	Too Far Away	IFI	Junior German	
April on IFI@Schools:				
Earth Day Film Bundle				

May				
2	Puffin Rock and the New Friends	IFI	Primary	
9	Lunana: A Yak in the Classroom	IFI	Primary	

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