

**Welcome 20:15 3 Sep***Dir: Philippe Lioret France 2009 (15) 110 mins***Special feature shown in association with Sandford Parks Lido – see overleaf for details.**

Bilal, a 17-year-old Kurdish boy, has travelled across the Middle East & Europe to join his girlfriend, freshly immigrated to England. But his journey is halted when he is stopped on the French side of the Channel. Having decided to swim across, Bilal goes to the local pool to train.

**The Illusionist 19:45 13 Sep***Dir: Sylvain Chomet UK/France 2010 (PG) 90 mins  
+ Wine & Cheese*

From the director of Belleville Rendez-Vous & based on a lost screenplay by Jacques Tati comes this bittersweet animation. Tatischeff is a dying breed of entertainer. Forced to eke out a living in increasingly obscure venues, he finds himself in a village pub on a Scottish island. Here he encounters Alice, a young girl, who will change his life forever.

*Including Short : My Life In Cat Years***The Secret In Their Eyes 19:45 20 Sep**

*Dir: Juan José Campanella Argentina 2009 (18) 124 mins*  
Argentina, 1999. Retired lawyer Benjamin Esposito visits his old colleague Irene Hastings with a manuscript he has written about 'the Morales case', a 1974 rape/murder which has had repercussions ever since. Talking through the mystery, Esposito reveals what he has found out, but also his own long-suppressed feelings. 2010 Best Foreign Language Oscar winner.

*Including Short : The Ferryman***Winter's Bone 19:45 11 Oct***Dir: Debra Granik USA 2010 (15) 100 mins  
AGM*

Challenging the local code of conduct by confronting her kin about their conspiracy of silence, 17 year-old Ree Dolly sets out to track down her bail-jumping father after he uses the family home to secure his bond. Failure to find him will see her young siblings & their disabled mother homeless in the harsh Ozark woods. An Oscar nominated piece of unhurried filmmaking.

**Gainsbourg 19:45 25 Oct**

*Dir: Joann Sfar France 2010 (15) 130 mins*  
A celebration of the life of French singer Serge Gainsbourg, a man known as much for his hugely outrageous public antics & legendary romances, as he was for his taboo-busting, often hilarious lyrics & orchestrations. The film charts his life from his formative years in Nazi occupied Paris, through his successful song writing years in the 1960s, to his premature death in 1991.

**Tricks 19:45 8 Nov***Dir: Andrzej Jakimowski Poland 2007 (12) 95 mins  
Social*

10 year old Stefek is convinced that a rail commuter is the father who deserted the family when he was born. With the help of his older sister Elka who helps him to learn how to "bribe" fate, he sets in motion a chain of event he believes will reunite his parents. Tricks & coincidences eventually bring the father to the mother's doorstep..... only for things go wrong.

**Patagonia 19:45 22 Nov**

*Dir: Marc Evans Argentina/UK 2010 (15) 118 mins*  
Patagonia narrates the journeys of two women; one looking for her future, the other her past. Gwen travels from Cardiff to Patagonia with her photographer boyfriend. At the same time wily Argentine octogenarian Cerys persuades a neighbour's son to take her to Wales, the country her mother left in the 1920s, pregnant & unmarried. A story of love & memory lost & found.

*Including Short : North West Five***The Maid 19:45 6 Dec***Dir: Sebastián Silva Chile 2009 (15) 91 mins  
+ Wine & Cheese*

Employed as a live-in maid by the Valdes' for 23 years, Raquel is neither a family member nor simply a servant; she inhabits an undefined space somewhere in between. Threatened when they hire extra help, she engages in a series of increasingly frantic acts to hold on to her position. A beautifully observed & darkly comic satire of domestic politics & class tensions in Chile.

**The Concert 19:45 17 Jan**

*Dir: Radu Mihaileanu France/Russia 2009 (15) 119 mins*  
A renowned Bolshoi conductor is disgraced for hiring Jewish musicians under Brezhnev's regime in the 1980s & is fired. Now, 30 years later & a mere cleaner at the Bolshoi, he hears that the current orchestra has been invited to perform in Paris. Intercepting the invitation he resolves to get his old musicians back together to perform in one very special concert.

*Including Short : The Companion***Vincere 19:45 24 Jan**

*Dir: Marco Bellocchio Italy 2009 (15) 128 mins*  
Italy, 1907. Well-to-do beauty salon owner, Ida Dalser falls for impoverished young socialist & union activist Benito Mussolini. She sells all her possessions to fund his new newspaper but, as Mussolini switches his political tack from socialism to fascism, Ida learns that Il Duce has not only married but has started a campaign to deny her very existence.

**Mother \*\* Date Change \*\* 19:45 14 Feb**

*Dir: Bong Joon-ho South Korea 2009 (15) 129 mins*  
A devoted mother lives quietly with her son Do-joon, a gentle, childlike but moody twenty-something, who has been bullied all his life. When he is accused of the brutal murder of a schoolgirl, his mother frantically sets about trying to prove his innocence. As she goes to any lengths to find the real killer, she learns far more about her son than she'd bargained for.

**Of Gods And Men 19:45 21 Feb**

*Dir: Xavier Beauvois France 2010 (15) 122 mins*  
Loosely based on a true story, this Cannes prize-winner follows a group of French Cistercian monks in 1990s Algeria. Having lived in harmony with the local Muslim community for several years, they must decide whether to leave or stay in the face of mounting violence from a fundamentalist militia which regards their presence as little more than covert colonialism.

*Including Short : Blind***Louise-Michel 19:45 28 Feb**

*Dir: G.de Kervern, B.Delépine 2008 France (12A) 94 mins*  
What to do when the workers of a factory have been laid off overnight? Louise has an original idea: why not pool the compensation money to hire a hit man to assassinate the boss? Cue Michel, an inept security specialist who accepts the deal but sub-contracts the job to a group of improbable novices. A darkly funny film, in the same vein as Micmacs.

**Let The Right One In 19:45 20 Mar**

*Dir: Tomas Alfredson Sweden 2008 (15) 110 mins*  
**Please note this film contains scenes of strong bloody violence**

Oskar is a bullied 12 year-old boy, longing to extract revenge on his tormentors but unable to build the courage to do it himself. That is, until he meets a girl called Eli, who gives him the strength he's been looking for. But Eli is not all she seems to be! A devastating yet curiously uplifting drama, "Let The Right One In" is a superbly crafted genre exercise.

*Including Short : Treading Water***Chico & Rita 19:45 27 Mar**

*Dir: T.Errando, J.Mariscal, F.Trueba Spain 2010 (15) 94 mins  
+ Wine & Cheese*

Cuba 1948. Chico is a young piano player with big dreams. Rita is a beautiful singer with an extraordinary voice. Music & romantic desire unites them, but their journey - from Havana to New York, Paris, Hollywood & Las Vegas - brings heartache & torment. A delightful blend of hand-drawn animation & CG style providing food for the soul for romantics everywhere.