

DISCOVERY FILM FESTIVAL

Sat 25 October to
Sun 2 November 2025

Family films from
around the world

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Dundee Contemporary Arts

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Photograph by Erika Stevenson

Welcome to the 22nd edition of Discovery Film Festival!

The festival brings the best family films
from around the world to Dundee.

Tickets for all events are Donate What You
can – you can choose how much you'd
like to donate to the festival, from £0 to £8.
As well as our film screenings, there are
creative workshops to enjoy, and don't miss
our exhibition from Lauren Gault, filled with
sculptures and prints inspired by themes
including myth, folklore and farming.

Join us for our opening day on Sat 25
October, for an exciting line-up of films,
creativity and cake!

What's on

There's lots for all ages to enjoy at Discovery Film Festival – and with **Donate What You Can** tickets, you can come and see as many films as you like! As a celebration of international cinema, some of our films are subtitled: we encourage adults to help younger children by reading subtitles aloud quietly, or by explaining the action on screen when needed.

Our new *Shorts for Wee Ones* and *Shorts for Families* selections are filled with funny characters and exciting adventures. Little ones will adore *Shorts for Tinies*, with short, dialogue-free films alongside hands-on creative activities.

For older children, don't miss uplifting animated stories *Tales from the Magic Garden*, *Maya, Give Me a Title* and *Living Large*, sci-fi adventure *Jump!*, and the powerful footballing drama *Winners*. We've also got two inspiring documentaries – *Future Council*, about a group of young climate activists, and *Folktales*, following a group of Norwegian teens on an Arctic adventure, a film selected by our Discovery Young Programmers.

Finally, we're welcoming special guests *The Enchanted Cinema* for two magical interactive experiences. Join in and make music and sound effects to scenes from *Where the Wild Things Are + My Neighbour Totoro* and *Princess Mononoke + The Red Turtle*. We can't wait!

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Sat 25 October

Films

- 10:30 Shorts for Tinies (U)
- 11:30 Shorts for Wee Ones (PG)
- 13:30 Living Large (PG)

Workshops

- 11:00 – 15:00 Discovery Art Cart (All ages)
- 11:30 – 13:00 Print Your Own Discovery Merch (All ages)
- 11:30 – 12:30 Stop Motion Kitchen (10+)

Sun 26 October

Films

- 11:00 Shorts for Families (PG)
- 13:00 Tales from the Magic Garden (PG)
- 15:00 Jump! (PG)

Workshops

- 11:00 – 15:00 Discovery Art Cart (All ages)
- 12:15 – 13:15 Watercolour Scenes (7+)
- 14:30 – 15:30 Treehouse Stories & Projections (7+)

Sat 1 November

Films

- 10:30 Enchanted Cinema: Where the Wild Things Are + My Neighbour Totoro (PG)
- 11:00 Relaxed: Shorts for Families (PG)
- 13:00 Maya, Give Me a Title (PG)
- 15:30 Winners (PG)

Workshops

- 11:00 – 15:00 Art Cart (All ages)
- 12:30 – 13:30 Make a Sound Piano (7+)
- 14:30 – 15:30 Papercut Animation (7+)

Sun 2 November

Films

- 10:30 Enchanted Cinema: Princess Mononoke + The Red Turtle (PG)
- 10:30 Shorts for Tinies (U)
- 12:45 Future Council (PG)
- 13:15 Relaxed: Shorts for Wee Ones (PG)
- 15:15 Discovery Young Programmers present: Folktales (12+)

Workshops

- 11:00 – 15:00 Art Cart
- 11:00 – 15:00 Drop-in Workshop: Big Arty Messages (7+)

Booking

All Discovery Film Festival films and bookable workshops are **Donate What You Can: £0 to £8**. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult at all times. For ticketed events, please book a place for all adults and children attending.

Please book in advance at dca.org.uk, or visit our Box office from 10:00 every day. Every screening has age guidance to help you choose films suitable for your family. You can find more information on each film's themes, content, and language/subtitles on our website.