

Thu 2 Jul 7:45pm

## THE SHEEP DETECTIVES (12A)

In this witty, new breed of mystery, George (Hugh Jackman) is a shepherd who reads detective novels to his beloved sheep every night, assuming they can't possibly understand. But when a mysterious incident disrupts life on the farm, the sheep realise they must become the detectives.

As they follow the clues and investigate human suspects, they prove that even sheep can be brilliant crime-solvers.

USA/UK/Ireland/Germany, 2026, 109mins

Fri 3 & Sat 4 Jul 7.45pm

## TUNER (15)

Leo Woodall stars as Niki, a gifted young piano tuner, whose heightened sense of hearing draws the attention of criminals, who see his talents as useful for opening safes as well as for tuning Steinways.

With his once-promising musical career over, he works across New York with his mentor Harry Horowitz, encountering a range of characters, including composition student Ruthie, with whom he forges an unexpected connection.

USA/Canada, 2026, 107mins

Thu 9 Jul 7.45pm

## BACKROOMS (15)

After a therapist's patient vanishes into a dimension beyond reality, she is compelled to follow him into the unknown in this eerie psychological thriller. Chiwetel Ejiofor stars as Clark, a troubled man wrestling with unresolved trauma, who stumbles upon a hidden extra-dimensional maze beneath a furniture store; an endless sprawl of humming, fluorescent corridors where an unseen entity stalks the shadows.

USA/Canada, 2026, 110mins

Fri 10 & Sat 11 Jul 7.45pm

## MADFABULOUS (12A)

When the flamboyant Henry Paget arrives in 1890's North Wales to claim his aristocratic inheritance, his theatrical flair and defiant eccentricities send shockwaves through the upper-class elite, much to the amusement of the local townspeople.

Alongside his spirited cousin, Lily, and loyal butler, Gelert, Henry tries to carve out his own identity as the Fifth Marquess, navigating suffocating traditions, scheming relatives, and the long shadow cast by his estranged father.

Inspired by a true story, Madfabulous is a riotous celebration of otherness.

UK, 2025, 108mins

Fri 17 Jul 7.45pm

## OBSESSION (18)

Obsession whittles Curry Barker's supernatural premise into a tense, emotionally charged psychological horror that has unexpectedly taken more money at the global box office than Downton Abbey.

It's a lean, haunting tale that lingers - an intimate horror story about the danger of getting exactly what you wish for.

USA, 2026, 110mins

Sat 18 Jul & Thu 23 Jul 7.45pm

## EFFI O BLAENAU (15)

Effi o Blaenau is a vibrant coming of age story, based on Gary Owen's hit play Iphigenia in Splott, set against the wide open landscapes of North Wales in director Marc Evans' cinematic interpretation.

The film follows Effi, a young woman desperate to escape a town where the pubs are closed, the jobs have vanished and her grandmother works night shifts in the local chip shop just to get by.

UK (Welsh dialogue with English subtitles), 2026, 90mins

Tue 21 Jul 7.45pm

## KOLN 75 (15)

Köln 75 is the compelling story behind fabled American jazz pianist Keith Jarrett's iconic 1975 concert in Cologne - which culminated in one of the most culturally significant albums of all time. An event that very nearly never happened.

Based on a true story, the film follows the young, driven concert promoter Vera Brandes as she conceives and organises the event against all odds.

Germany (Germany dialogue with English subtitles), 2025, 112mins

Fri 24 & Sat 25 Jul 7.45pm

## THE LAST VIKING (15)

Mads Mikkelsen stars in the latest outrageous black comedy from Anders Thomas Jensen.

After serving fifteen years in prison, bank robber Anker (Nikolaj Lie Kaas) is determined to recover the stolen money his brother Manfred (Mads Mikkelsen) buried years earlier. There's just one problem: Manfred, is caught in an identity crisis. Convinced he is John Lennon, he can no longer remember where the money is hidden.

Together, the brothers embark on an increasingly chaotic hunt for the missing fortune, digging up old family secrets on the way to discover who they really are.

Denmark (Danish dialogue with English subtitles), 2026, 116mins

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