

FILM THEATRE

What's On

October 2026

Discover Stoke-on-Trent's only independent cinema for the best in independent film, world cinema and iconic movies, established in 1974.

At a glance

Tue 13 & Thu 15 Oct 7.45pm

JUST AN ILLUSION (12A)

Set in 1985 suburban Paris, this warm and witty coming-of-age comedy follows Vincent, almost 13, as he navigates the challenges of adolescence. Caught between family tensions, evolving friendships and first love, he begins to question who he is and why adulthood seems so complicated. From the directors of *Untouchable*, this charming and heartfelt story stars Camille Cottin, Louis Garrel and Pierre Lottin.

France (French dialogue with English subtitles), 2026, 116mins

Fri 16 & Sat 17 Oct 7.45pm

SHAUN THE SHEEP: THE BEAST OF MOSSY BOTTOM (U)

The residents of Mossy Bottom Farm are looking forward to Halloween - until the clumsy Farmer trashes the sheep's beloved pumpkin patch!

But when Shaun turns mad scientist to try to fix the problem with a science experiment, things rapidly spiral out of control.

UK, 2026, 80mins

Thu 22 Oct 7.45pm

DEMONS (18)



A group of unsuspecting cinemagoers attend a mysterious free screening in a grand, neonlit theatre - only to discover that the film itself is a gateway for a demonic plague that begins possessing the audience one by one. As chaos erupts and reality blurs into nightmare, the survivors must fight their way through the labyrinthine cinema to escape, if escape is even possible...

Italy (Italian dialogue with English subtitles), 1985, 88mins

Fri 23 Oct 7.45pm

DE GAULLE: RÉSISTANCE (15)

The opening chapter of an epic story of French resistance in World War II, *De Gaulle: Résistance* is a powerful account of Charles de Gaulle's journey during the war, from his rise as a military leader to his emergence in French politics between 1940-1945.

France/Belgium (French dialogue with English subtitles), 2026, 158 mins

We will be screening part two of this epic story, *De Gaulle: Liberté*, on Saturday 14 November

Sat 24 & Tue 27 Oct 7.45pm

BAD APPLES (15)



Saoirse Ronan stars in a dark comedy about a primary school teacher struggling with a chaotic classroom.

Maria is a primary school teacher doing her best to inspire a class of 11-year-olds, but she's unable to because of one unruly and chaotic student.

UK/USA, 2026, 101mins

Thu 29 Oct 7.45pm

COTTON QUEEN (15)

Cotton Queen is a striking folktale of coming of age and cultural changes in Sudan's cotton fields. In a cotton-farming village in Sudan, teenage Nafisa has been raised on heroic tales of battling British colonisers told by her grandmother, Al-Sit, the village matriarch.

But when a young businessman arrives from abroad with a new development plan and genetically engineered cotton, Nafisa becomes the focal point of a power play to determine the future of the village.

Sudan/Germany/France (Arabic dialogue with English subtitles), 2025, 94 mins

Fri 30, Sat 31 Oct & Thu 5 Nov 7.45pm

SENSE AND SENSIBILITY (U)

In Georgian England, the women of the Dashwood family are transplanted from their grand home to a modest country cottage after their inheritance is lost.

This new take on Jane Austen's iconic novel is a charming and witty story of love and sisterhood starring Daisy Edgar-Jones and Esmé Creed-Miles as Elinor and Marianne. Caitriona Balfe, George MacKay, and Fiona Shaw feature in supporting roles.

UK/USA, 2026, 131 mins

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Tue 3 Nov
ANGELS WITH DIRTY FACES (PG)

Thu 5 Nov
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Fri 6 Nov
THE SOCIAL RECKONING (15)

Sat 7 Nov
SOCIAL RECKONING (15)
Presented with descriptive subtitles

Tue 10 Nov
BOORMAN AND THE DEVIL (15)

Thu 12 Nov
THE SOCIAL RECKONING (15)

Sat 14 Nov
DE GAULLE: LIBERTÉ (15)

Thu 19 Nov
ROBOCOP (1987) (18)

Fri 20 Nov
FATHERLAND (12A)

Sat 21 Nov
FATHERLAND (12A)

Tue 24 Nov
GHOSTS: THE POSSESSION OF BUTTON HOUSE (PG)

Tue 8 Dec
ARTHUR (15)

Thu 17 Dec
BLACK CHRISTMAS (18)

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