

Sunday 6th August - 4.00pm

The Whale

Director: Darren Aronofsky

2022 / USA / 117m / M / Drama / English



Charlie (Fraser) lives a reclusive life, estranged from his family, following a tragedy that profoundly changed his life. Charlie is morbidly obese, but the unexpected arrival of his teenage daughter Ellie has unanticipated consequences for his isolated existence, and, as

he tries to reconnect with his 17-year-old daughter, he strives for one last chance at righting a past wrong.

Winner of Academy Awards - Best Actor, Brendan Fraser

Winner of Academy Awards - Best Makeup and Hairstyling

Winner of Critics Choice Awards - Best Actor, Brendan Fraser

"[The Whale] is an invitation to experience humanity."

THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

"The Whale is compelling." VOX

Sunday 6th August - 6.30pm

Alcarràs

Director: Carla Simón

2022 / Spain / 120m / M / Drama / Spanish with English subtitles



For as long as they can remember, the Solé family have spent every summer picking the peaches from their orchard in Alcarràs, a small village in Spain.

But this year's crop will be their last. The owner of the land is deceased, and his grandson and heir wants them to abandon the farming business so he can uproot the trees and install solar panels. So, as the children and the adults get together for the harvest, the family finds itself at odds as to how they should go on, and risk losing more than their home.

Winner of 2022 Berlin International Film Festival - Golden Bear (Best Film)

"It is a deeply intelligent, humane drama." THE GUARDIAN

"Soothingly lovely. Beautifully observed, richly inhabited." VARIETY

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FESTIVAL PROGRAMME & PRICES

PINNACLE PLAYHOUSE, PIONEER VALLEY

SATURDAY, 29TH JULY

7.00pm - *Three Thousand Years of Longing*

FAM members: **\$15pp**

Non-members: **\$20pp**

FAM members package: **\$60pp**

Non-members package: **\$65pp**

TICKETS: <https://www.trybooking.com/CIILB>



BCC CINEMAS MT PLEASANT

FRIDAY, 4TH AUGUST

7.00pm - *The Innocent* & Opening Night Event

FAM members & Non-members: **\$30pp**

Includes drinks and nibbles



SATURDAY, 5TH AUGUST

4.00pm - *The Blue Caftan*

6.30pm - *Limbo* - followed by Director Q&A

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INDIVIDUAL TICKET PRICES (excluding Opening Night)

FAM members: **\$15pp**

Non-members: **\$20pp**

TICKETS: <https://www.trybooking.com/CIIJW> or at the cinema from the FAM table (from half an hour before every film).

Tickets CANNOT be purchased from the Box Office.

MULTI-PASS TICKET

Multi-pass ticket for all films showing at BCC, Mt Pleasant from 4th-6th August.

FAM members: **\$80pp** Non-members: **\$100pp**

Tickets available via Trybooking:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CIIJW>

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Saturday 29th July - 7.00pm

Pinnacle Playhouse

Three Thousand Years of Longing

Director: George Miller

2022 / Australia, USA / 108m / M / Drama / English



From visionary director George Miller (of Mad Max fame) comes THREE THOUSAND YEARS OF LONGING, a vibrant fantasy and romantic drama which celebrates the power of storytelling.

Dr Alithea Binnie (Tilda Swinton) is an academic - content with life and a creature of reason. While in Istanbul attending a conference, she happens to encounter a Djinn (Idris Elba) who offers her three wishes in exchange for his freedom.

This presents two problems. First, she doubts that he is real and second, because she is a scholar of story and mythology, she knows all the cautionary tales of wishes gone wrong. The Djinn pleads his case by telling her fantastical stories of his past. Eventually she is beguiled and makes a wish that surprises them both.

"...a heartfelt Aladdinesque adventure for grownups."

THE GUARDIAN

"A mythical extravaganza that packs an unexpected humanistic punch."

AWARDS DAILY

OPTIONAL COACH TRANSFER/MEAL/FILM PACKAGE

Departing 4.30pm from Mackay CBD

Package includes film ticket, return coach transfer and dinner at the Pinnacle Pub (drinks not included)

FAM members: **\$60pp** Non-members: **\$65pp**

Tickets available online at <https://www.trybooking.com/CIILB>

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Friday 4th August - 7.00pm

BCC Cinemas, Mt Pleasant

The Innocent

Director: Louis Garrel

2022 / France / 99m / M / Comedy / French with English subtitles



When widower Abel (played by the film's director) learns that his impulsive mum Sylvie is once again re-marrying - this time to an inmate she met whilst teaching theatre in prison, alarm bells start ringing and, with the help of his closest friend, Clemence, he sets out to spy on Michel, his stepfather-to-be. Their amateur sleuthing is quickly uncovered by Michel and triggers an unlikely - and bold - business proposition for them both.

Nominated for an extraordinary 11 César Awards, this entertaining comedy hit is a joyful mix of romance, laughs and hijinx.

".... a rare and delicious comedy,"

SYDNEY MORNING HERALD

"....quirky, touching, and well-played fun."

ROGER EBERT



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Saturday 5th August - 4.00pm

The Blue Caftan

Director: Maryam Touzani

2022 / Morocco / 118m / M / Drama / Arabic with English subtitles



Mina and her husband Halim run a small business making and selling bespoke caftans in one of Morocco's oldest medinas. When the talented and handsome Youssef is hired as an apprentice, the young man's presence, and effect on the couple, force them to reconsider the future of their relationship.

Winner of the Un Certain Regard FIPRESCI prize at the Cannes Film Festival and shortlisted for Best International Feature at the Academy Awards, this award-winning drama explores a complex marriage with tenderness and grace in a sincere and superbly performed film which unfolds to reveal a beautiful love triangle in a small Moroccan town.

"...a hugely compassionate and emotionally satisfying movie."

THE GUARDIAN

"A work of handcrafted beauty." HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

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Limbo

Director: Ivan Sen

2023 / Australia / 108m / MA15+ / Drama / English



Simon Baker gives a stunning performance as Travis, a jaded detective, who arrives in the remote outback town of Limbo to investigate the cold case murder of local Indigenous girl Charlotte Hayes 20 years ago, in this riveting

film noir. As truths begin to unfold about the events of the murder, the detective gains a new insight into the unsolved case from the family, the witnesses and interviews with the brother of the chief suspect.

Shot on location in Coober Pedy, South Australia, Limbo is a poignant, profound meditation into the complexities of loss and the impact of the justice system on Aboriginal families in Australia.

Join us after the screening for an in-person discussion led by former ABC presenter and conversational expert, Kim Kleidon with acclaimed writer and LIMBO director Ivan Sen.

"It is a tough, muscular film with the grit of crime, but a heartbeat of compassion.." THE GUARDIAN

"This is outback noir — oblique, secretive and as hard-boiled as the ground is hard-baked." VARIETY