

# 20-27 OCTOBER



Films, Q&As, Talks + So Much More



# 130 SHORT FILMS

#LOWESTOFTFILMFESTIVAL

# **WELCOME 2023**



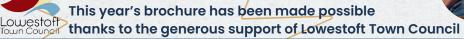
Welcome to Lowestoft's second annual film festival, last year saw us hold our inaugural edition which was home to 86 screenings and 2,090 attendees. From 393 submissions this year, I am proud to present to you a programme which includes 130 short films from filmmakers across the UK as part of 2023's official selection.

We are once again following our core values to proudly promote films from any filmmakers, creatives or producers that are yet to be discovered (or picked up by the bigger film festival circuit), and 8 of this year's screenings are dedicated to fitting around our key themes of Environmental & Societal representation/issues, LGBTQIA+, coming-of-age stories and mental health.

I look forward to welcoming many of our nominees and teams behind our selected films to Lowestoft, in-person in October. To celebrate the legacy of our film festival this year, we are also putting on 10 'LFF presents' screenings throughout this winter aimed at increasing audience engagement in independent film with low-cost screenings.

A special mention should also go to all of our dedicated volunteers who make this festival possible from our screening committee/young film programmers group, our judges and programming team.

Head of festival & development, Joshua Freemantle



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# OUR 2023 JUDGES



Jasmine Valentine – Editor-in-chief Filmhounds magazine, Katie Evans – Digital film marketer at Paramount Pictures, Lewis Hurt – TV Sports Director, Jane Ashmore – Director in Film & TV industry, Shelby Cooke – Curator/Film Critic,

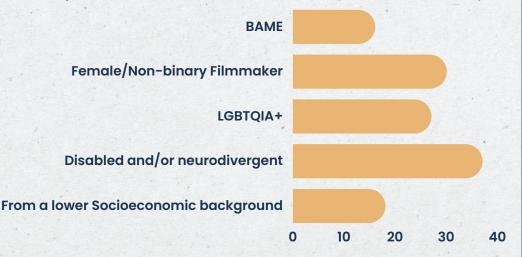
Caroline Spence – Producer/Screenwriter, Georgia Hunter – Film Programmer, Dean Parkin – Writer/Poet & Jean Campbell Hogg – Director/Artist-filmmaker.

# SCREENING COMMITTEE/ YOUNG FILM PROGRAMMERS

Anupma Jai Shanker, Oscar Brett Archibald, Jake Lincoln, Jacob Archbold, Rio Swatton, Gregory Newdick, Mark Johnson, Joao Scarpa, Eunice Joyce Helera, Robin Fodor, Stephanie Stevens, Nathan Leveritt, Rhys Whomsley, Efstathia Veremi, Jocelyn Chandler-Hawkins, Lucy Vickers, Robert Howard, Trixie De Guzman, Georgia Dee, Tina Valentine, Sky Fong, Epiphany Railton, Joshua Freemantle, Patrick Johnson, Simon Baldry, Jade Drinkwater.

# KEY STATS FROM OUR 2023 OFFICIAL SELECTION

The data was taken from 121 responses received from our survey sent out to our 130 selected short films.



# BOOKING

Our programme has a lot of events for you to choose from & they range from free unticketed, pay what you can screenings to low-cost ticketed evening events in the East Point Pavilion.

# 2 Ways to see the festival.

### **FESTIVAL PASS**

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For just £3 you can buy one of our festival passes which will allow you to book tickets for any of our ticketed screenings/events at no extra cost, what's not to love?

## **BOOK INDIVIDUAL TICKETS**

If you prefer to book individual screenings, are only attending a couple of screenings or even just one. You can book individual tickets for our ticketed events for just £1\*.

To view our programme & book tickets visit: Lowesoftfilmfestival.co.uk



Due to low capacity at some of the venues, it's strongly encouraged that tickets are booked in advance (only a few tickets will be available on the door).

\*Some ticketed events are pay what you can & prices vary.

#### **Polite note:**

If you can no longer attend any events, please cancel your ticket via your eventive account so that someone else can have your ticket(s).

# **VISITING LOWESTOFT**

We can't wait to welcome you to our town this October for a celebration of independent film, and a discovery of undiscovered talent that deserves to be championed!



# Partner Venues EAST POINT PAVILION

Grab fantastic food, a drink and take in the sea views at Lowestoft's latest good times spot whilst enjoying our festival events.

Website: eastpointpavilion.com | Address: East Point Pavilion, Royal Plain, Lowestoft, NR33 0AP

#### **18 CLAPHAM RD SOUTH**

18 Clapham Rd South is a community venue in the heart of Lowestoft town centre.

Address:

18 Clapham Road South, Lowestoft, NR32 1RQ



#### THE JUNCTION

The Junction during its usual hours in the week is a youth mental health hub for 11-25 year olds, operated by charity Access Community Trust who are also based in the town.

Website: linktr.ee/thejunctionlwt | Address:
119 Bevan Street East, Lowestoft, NR32 2AG





EAST POINT PAVILION FIRST LIGHT FESTIVAL



For our full guide visit our website or scan the QR code above



# FRIDAY 20

#### - Ticketed Event



#### Pick n Mix Col 1

Our pick n Mix collections give you a taste of some of our most highly received submissions when viewed by our screening committee.

◆ East Point Pavilion | 6:30 - 8:30 PM (12A)
Scan the QR code to book





#### **Late Night Comedy**

A curated collection of short comedies for you to end your night on from this year's official selection + pre-recorded Q&As.

◆ East Point Pavilion | 8:45 - 9:15 PM (12A)

Scan the QR code to book



#### Your support goes a long way!

All ticket proceeds from the festival, including any donations made, are donated to local charity Access Community Trust who are based in Lowestoft.

Originally founded as a night shelter for homeless individuals, Access has steadily grown over the decades and its staff and volunteers work tirelessly to support some of the most vulnerable across our communities in Suffolk & Norfolk.



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# SATURDAY 21















The Great Outdoors
A collection of nature & outdoor themed shorts.
East Point Pavilion | 10:30 - 11:15 AM (12A)

Break The Stigma + Q&A

presented by Access Community Trust
A collection of progressive shorts that focus on the
subject of mental health or homelessness.

♦ The Junction | 10:45 - 11:35 AM (12A)

Bodies & Relationships + Q&A

\* 18 Clapham Rd South | 11 AM - 1:30 PM (12A)

Family Friendly Feast
A collection of family friendly shorts.
East Point Pavilion | 12 PM - 1:10 PM (PG)

Cost of Living

The Junction | 12:15 PM - 12:40 PM (12A)

Networking

East Point Pavilion | 1:30 PM - 2:15 PM Film East Queer Shorts + Q&A

♦ The Junction | 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM (12A)

X to X & The Pink Pill + Q&A

Two must see exciting drama's.

East Point Pavilion | 2:30 PM - 3:40 PM (12A)

Romance Is A Funny Thing

18 Clapham Rd South | 2:30 PM - 3:45 PM (12A)

An Afternoon of Doc Shorts
East Point Pavilion | 4 PM - 4:45 PM (12A)

What We Leave Behind

♦ The Junction | 4 PM - 5:10 PM (12A)

It's Giving... Drama

♦ 18 Clapham Rd South | 4:40 PM - 5:45 PM (12A)

Exclusively for the Lowestoft Film Festival, Laurence has curated a collection of short films.

East Point Pavilion | 5 PM - 6:15 PM (PG)

# SUNDAY

- Ticketed Event







A collection of imaginative & experimental shorts. ♦ 18 Clapham Rd South | 11 AM - 12:15 PM (PG)



The Big Knights + Wawel Dragons East Point Pavilion | 12 PM - 1:15 PM (U)



**What Makes A Standout Film** With Jasmine Valentine ♦ The Junction | 11:45 AM - 12:30 PM



**Creating Awareness** ♦ The Junction | 12:50 PM - 1:50 PM (12A)



**Something A Little Different** 



♦ 18 Clapham Rd South | 1 PM - 2:20 PM

# Oska Bright Shorts - Best of the Fest



#### East Point Pavilion | 2:15 PM - 3:15 PM (12A) **Student Fix**

A collection of student made shorts. ♦ The Junction | 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM (12A)



It's giving... Comedy

East Point Pavilion | 3:30 PM - 5:15 PM (12A) Pick n Mix Col 2

♦ 18 Clapham Rd South | 5 PM - 6:30 PM (PG)

**Asteroid City** East Point Pavilion | 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM (PG)







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# MONDAY **23**



#### Marcel The Shell with Shoes on

Marcel is an adorable one-inch-tall shell who ekes out a colourful existence with his grandmother Connie and their pet lint, Alan. Once part of a sprawling community of shells, they now live alone as the sole survivors of a mysterious tragedy. But when a documentary filmmaker discovers them amongst the clutter of his Airbnb, the short film he posts online brings Marcel millions of passionate fans, as well as unprecedented dangers and a new hope at finding his long-lost family. East Point Pavilion | 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (PG)

# Focus

# + Q&A with Screen Suffolk

Think of it like an open mic, but Filmmakers are encouraged to bring their own creations to showcase on our big screen. From experienced filmmakers to beginners, everyone is welcome to share their films on our screen.

The aim is to create a pathway for finding the next local gems, and to discover those behind making them. Films must be readily available via a YouTube or Vimeo link or supplied to us on a USB stick on the evening. All attendees who screen there film will receive

free entry into next year's festival. East Point Pavilion | 4:30 PM - 7:15 PM

Scan the QR code to book





# TUES 24 - FRI 27

#### - Ticketed Event



#### **Family Friendly Animated Feast**

A collection of family friendly animated shorts. East Point Pavilion | Tues 24: 12:30 - 1:15 PM (U)

#### Let's Talk Mental Health

A collection of shorts themed around mental health, this will follow an in-conversation with representatives from Steam House Cafe. East Point Pavilion | Tues 24: 3 PM - 4 PM (PG)



Fast Point Pavilion | Tues 24: 6 PM - 7:30 PM (12A)



#### East Anglia on Film + Q&A

A collection of East Anglian made films.

East Point Pavilion | Weds 25: 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM (PG)

Family Friendly Animated Feast

East Point Pavilion | Thurs 26: 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (U)

#### Pick n Mix Col 3

East Point Pavilion | Thurs 26: 3 PM - 5 PM (12A)

#### The Big Lowestoft Film Festival Quiz

Get your thinking caps on and come along to the Big Lowestoft Film Festival Quiz. All the rounds will be film-themed, with you guessed it... films but also, photo and music rounds, guess the flavour of the popcorn + some local ones thrown into the mix too.

East Point Pavilion | Thurs 26: 7:45 PM - 9:45 PM

#### **Lowestoft Film Festival 2023 Winners**

Closing the 2023 festival with our award winners.

East Point Pavilion | Fri 27: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (12A)









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