

PLAY

A brand-new family festival for big and small screens at Showroom Cinema.

For kids of all ages and their adults.



29 Jul – 9 Aug

15 Paternoster Row,
Sheffield City Centre,
Sheffield, S1 2BX



Sheffield's brand-new festival
Wed 29 Jul - Sun 9 Aug

PLAY is Showroom Cinema's new festival for big and small screens. Twelve days of films, gaming and hands-on making for children and families — from retro game design to model-making with Aardman, sensory-friendly screenings to live-scored silent cinema. Different ways to watch, play and create, all under one roof this summer.

FOUR WAYS TO



GAMING & TECH

Level up with live gigs where the audience controls the story, VR worlds, hands-on coding skills through Minecraft.



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BIG SCREEN ADVENTURE

Family favourites, animated gems, and Prince Achmed's century-old adventure, scored live by Northern Silents.



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COSY & CURIOUS

Calm, sensory-friendly sessions including Concerteenies' live music storytelling and Blanket Fort Club's indoor adventures.



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MAKE & CREATE

Clay, comics and collaborative drawing, including a model-making masterclass from the team behind Wallace & Gromit.



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GAMING & TECH

Strands

- Gaming & Tech
- Big Screen Adventure
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- Make & Create



WiFi Wars

29 Jul @ 18.00 | 8+ | From £8

Play along in this live comedy game show. Log in with your smart device and compete in games, quizzes and challenges to win the show, and prizes!

- A live game show in the cinema.



ComputerXplorers

Fri 31 Jul & Mon 3 Aug @ 10.00 & 13.00 | 6+ | £15 per workshop

Learn retro game design and animation through Minecraft, in workshops with ComputerXplorers.

Two different workshops for budding game designers.



Extra Lives [The Interactive Video Game Concert]

Fri 31 Jul @ 18.00 | 8+ | From £12.50

You decide what happens next. Vote live while a real band scores your RPG adventure in real time. No two nights unfold the same way.

- A live RPG in the cinema screen.



Break the Game [+ Director Q&A]

Sat 1 Aug | 15* | From £5.25

Record-breaking gamer Narcissa Wright grapples with identity, while attempting to set a new world record for The Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild.

- A documentary for older teens.



ORDER OF



Price
Age (from)

Wed 29/7	 	(PG) £5.25	15.00 Toy Story 5
		(8+) £8	18.00 WiFi Wars [Interactive Game Show]
Thu 30/7	  	(PG) £5.25	11.15 Toy Story 5
		(U*) £5.25	12.45 Twinkle Twinkle Little Elephant (FL)
		(8+) Free	15.00 Games@Hallam Showcase
Fri 31/7	      	(6+) £15	10.00 CX: Animation and Minecraft Workshop
		(5+) £10	11.00 TBFC: Marshmallow Castles & Supersonic Parcels
		(6+) £15	13.00 CX: Retro Game Design & Minecraft Workshop
		(5+) £10	13.00 TBFC: Story Forts
		(U*) £5.25	14.20 Hola Frida! [+ Flower Crown Crafts]
		(8+) £12.50	18.00 Extra Lives [Interactive Video Game Concert]
Sat 1/8	     	(5+) £10	11.00 TBFC: Marshmallow Castles & Supersonic Parcels
		(U*) £5.25	12.45 Twinkle Twinkle Little Elephant (RS) (FL)
		(5+) £10	13.00 TBFC: Story Forts
		(PG) £5.25	14.30 The Super Mario Galaxy Movie [+ Gaming]
		(15*) £5.25	17.30 Break the Game [+ Director Q&A]
Sun 2/8	    	(5+) £10	11.00 TBFC: Marshmallow Castles & Supersonic Parcels
		(5+) £10	13.00 TBFC: Story Forts
		(PG) £4.50	13.00 Detective Pikachu
		(PG) £5.25	14.00 The Adventures of Prince Achmed [+ Live Score]
		(U*) £5.25	15.30 Hola Frida!
Mon 3/8	    	(6+) £15	10.00 CX: Retro Game Design & Minecraft Workshop
		(U*) £5	11.15 Concerteenies: The Duck with No Luck [+ Crafts]
		(6+) £15	13.00 CX: Animation & Minecraft Workshop
		(PG) £4.50	14.45 The Lego Movie [+ LEGO Building] [HOH]
		(16+) £20	18.00 Intro to Creating Virtual Worlds [Session 1]

Pop next door any time from Tue - Sun throughout the festival for a free interactive exhibition from our friends at SITE Gallery. Details on Page 7.

3. **Note:** Programme and times subject to change. See website for latest details.

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Tue 4/8	● ●	(PG)	£5.25	12.15 Marcel the Shell with Shoes On [+ Crafts]
	●	(PG*)	£5.25	13.45 Oink [Preview] (FL)
	●	(16+)	£20	18.00 Intro to Creating Virtual Worlds [Session 2]
Wed 5/8	●	(7+)	£5.25	10.30 / 13.00 / 16.00 Model Making with Aardman
	●	(U*)	£5.25	14.20 Hola Frida!
Thu 6/8	●	(13+)	£4.50	13.00 / 15.30 Dreaming Methods VR Session
	●	(PG*)	£5.25	13.45 Oink [Preview] (FL)
	● ●	(U)	£5.25	15.15 Maya, Give Me a Title [+ Storyboard Activity] (FL)
Fri 7/8	●	(13+)	£4.50	10.30 / 13.00 / 15.30 Dreaming Methods VR Session
	● ●	(U)	£5.25	16.00 Maya, Give Me a Title [+ Storyboard Activity] (FL)
	● ●	(5+)	£5	16.00 Hype Dance: Heroes Movement Workshop
	●	(12A*)	£5.25	18.00 We Can Be Heroes [+ Director Q&A]
Sat 8/8	●	(13+)	£4.50	10.30 / 13.00 / 15.30 Dreaming Methods VR Session
	●	(6+)	£3	12.30 Moomin Felt Workshop
	●	(U)	£4.50	13.30 Moomins and Midsummer Madness
	● ●	(PG*)	£5	13.30 Work LTD Conquers Japan [+ Q&A]
	● ●	(6+)	Free	15.00 Graphic Novel Reading Room Pop-Up
	● ●	(12A)	£4.50	17.30 Scott Pilgrim vs The World
Sun 9/8	● ●	(U)	£4.50	11.00 The Great Muppet Caper [+ Crafts]
	● ●	(U)	£4.50	13.00 The Muppets Take Manhattan [+ Crafts]
	● ●	(U)	£4.50	15.00 Muppet Treasure Island [+ Crafts]
	● ●	(6+)	£5.25	18.00 The Puppet Folk Experience

The PLAYroom is open from 3 - 9 Aug
10.00 - 17.00 with free activities to try!

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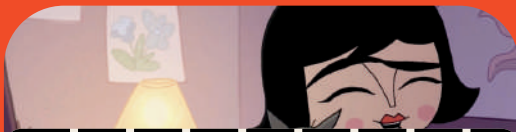
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FL Foreign Language Subtitles
HOH Hard of Hearing Subtitles
RS Relaxed Screening

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BIG SCREEN ADVENTURE



Hola Frida!

From 31 Jul | U* | From £5.25

Charming animation on the childhood of artist Frida Kahlo.

- Fri 31 Jul: Free pre-film Flower Crown Crafts session.



Prince Achmed

[+ Northern Silents Live Score]

Sun 2 Aug @ 14.00 | PG | From £5.25

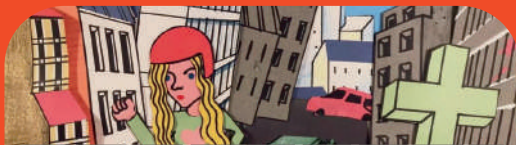
Special screening of Lotte Reiniger's beautiful hand-crafted 1926 animation, with an incredible live score.



Oink [Preview]

From Tue 4 Aug | PG* | From £5.25 | FL

Nine-year-old Babs is gifted a pet pig from her grandfather in this quirky stop-motion animation.



Maya, Give Me a Title

[+ Storyboard Activity]

From Thu 6 Aug | U | From £5.25 | FL

Endearing animation from Oscar-winning filmmaker Michel Gondry, created with his young daughter over six years.

- Creative film and free activity.



We Can Be Heroes

[+ Director Q&A]

Fri 7 Aug @ 18.00 | 12A* | From £5.25

Heartwarming documentary that centres around teens at a live action role play summer camp.

- Celebrating live action role play.



Muppet All-Dayer

Sun 9 Aug from 11.00 | U | From £4.50

Three Jim Henson classics, plus a live performance from The Puppet Folk Experience!

- Free muppet crafts all day long.

COSY & CURIOUS



Twinkle Twinkle Little Elephant

From 30 Jul inc. Sat 1 Aug (RS)
| U* | From £5.25 | FL

Ollie and her sister Nim, who has Down syndrome, get lost in the woods on their way to a party.

● Family adventure film with music.



Blanket Fort Club

Fri 31 Jul - Sun 2 Aug | 5+ | From £10

Conjure up your own piece of sensory immersive theatre, building the fort and crafting the props and set to bring their story world to life.

MAKE & CREATE



Model-Making Workshop with Aardman

Wed 5 Aug @ 10.30 / 13.00 / 16.00 |
7+ | From £5.25

Join in on a model-making masterclass from Aardman Animation, the team behind *Shaun the Sheep* and *Wallace & Gromit*.



Felt Moomin Workshop

Sat 8 Aug @ 12.30 | 6+ | £3

Join artist Mia Eccleston to bring Moomin Valley to life with felt character puppets and decorations to make your very own stop-motion Moomin film.

● Stay for a Moomins feature film.

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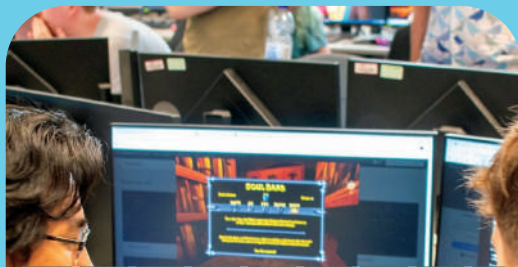
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Discover our full programme of events and activities on pages 3 and 4. 6.

FREE ACTIVITIES



Games@Hallam Showcase

Thu 30 Jul @ 15.00 | 8+ | Free

Interactive showcase of games and digital pieces created by Sheffield Hallam Computer Games Technologies students.

- See the next generation of game-makers in action.



Graphic Novel Reading Room

Sat 8 Aug @ 15.00 | 6+ | Free

Browse comics and zines, mingle with fellow readers, and sketch at our artists' drawing table.

- Followed by a screening of *Scott Pilgrim vs The World* (paid event).



PLAYroom

Mon 3 - Sun 9 Aug @ 10.00 - 17.00
| 5+ | Free

Free to drop in, no ticket required.

Bean bags, retro gaming, giant board games and craft.

Grown-ups must be accompanied by a responsible child at all times.



When the Sky Gets Bright

Fri 12 Jun - Sat 27 Sep | Free

A new exhibition at SITE Gallery exploring loneliness, isolation, and the tension between our online and offline lives. Open Tue - Sun.

- Four immersive films and interactive exhibits.

A Journey Through...

Myths and Magic



**Family films this summer at
Showroom Cinema**

13 Jul - 29 Aug



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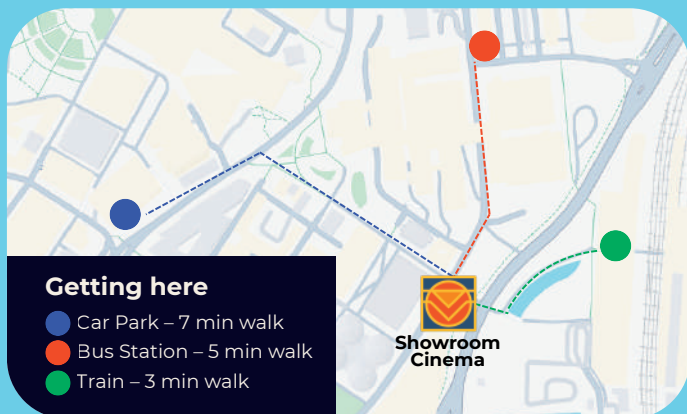
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