



4-9 DECEMBER

Watershed | The Cube | Bristol Palestine Museum
The Windmill | Curzon Cinema & Arts

Now in its eighth year, the Bristol Palestine Film Festival is back this December with an amazing range of fictional features, documentaries and short films by both Palestinian and international directors.

Surprising, moving, tragic or funny, these films bring audiences new and unexpected insights into the lives of ordinary people living in extraordinary circumstances, and have been chosen to provoke deep thought and discussion.

We are delighted to welcome guest filmmakers and commentators who add contextual depth to the programme. Visit the BPFF website for more information: bristolpff.org.uk



Documentary | Dir: Philip Gnadt, Mickey Yamine |

Living under blockade in "the world's biggest open air prison", a group of young men and women find their freedom in the waves of the Mediterranean. In this ravishing film we meet the surfers of Gaza.

Tuesday 4 December | 19.30 Palestine Museum

Gaza Surf Club



In Between

Fiction | Dir: Maysaloun Hamoud | 102 mins | 15

An empowering tale of three Palestinian women sharing a flat in Tel Aviv, each fighting her own battle for independence and fulfilment.

Wednesday 5 December | 19:30 The Windmill



Naila and the Uprising

Documentary | Dir: Julia Bacha | 76 mins

When a nationwide uprising breaks out in 1987, a woman in Gaza must make a choice between love, family and freedom. Undaunted, she embraces all three, joining the vibrant, nonviolent mobilisation of the First Intifada.

Wednesday 5 December | 19:30 Palestine Museum



Wall

+ Q&A with David Hare

Documentary/Animation | Dir: Cam Christiansen | 82 mins | 15

David Hare writes and stars in this innovative animated feature. Rich with rhythmic, raw imagery, the film is framed by Hare's journey, as both heart and mind are shaken by the realities of life in the shadow of the separation wall.

Thursday 6 December | 18.30 Watershed



The Reports on Sarah and Saleem + Q&A with Director, Muayad Alayan

Fiction | Dir: Muayad Alayan | 127 mins

The affair of a Palestinian man and an Israeli woman takes on a dangerous political dimension when they are spotted in the wrong place at the wrong time, leaving them to deal with more than their broken marriages.

Friday 7 December | 20:30 Watershed



Team Gaza

Documentary | Dir: Frederick Mansell, Laurens Samsom | 84 mins | 12

In Gaza City, the end of the football season is approaching and stadiums are filled with thousands of excited fans. The lives of four young people are united by football, daring to dream of a better future.

Friday 7 December | 20:00 The Cube



New Palestinian Shorts Short Film Programme + Palestinian Food

Various Directors | 120 mins

Bringing together a collection of some of the best short films to emerge from Palestine this year including drama, documentary and animation.

Saturday 8 December | 14:00 Palestine Museum



The Insult

Fiction | Dir: Ziad Doueiri | 112 mins | 15

In today's Beirut, an insult blown out of proportions finds Toni, a Lebanese Christian, and Yasser, a Palestinian refugee, facing off in court, as all around the case threatens a social explosion in divided Lebanon. Oscar nominated.

Saturday 8 December | 17:30 Watershed

Sunday 9 December | 19:30 Curzon Cinema & Arts in Clevedon

How to book tickets

Palestine Museum: tickets on the door

The Windmill: The Windmill Film Club@gmail.com

Watershed: watershed.co.uk

The Cube: cubecinema.com

Curzon Cinema & Arts in Clevedon: curzon.org.uk





Wajib

Fiction | Dir: Annemarie | acir | 97 mins | 15

Shadi returns to Nazareth for his sister's wedding and agrees to help his father hand-deliver the invitations to each guest, as per local custom. This beautifully observed comedy drama about the simmering tension between father and son has won multiple awards.

Saturday 8 December | 20:00 The Cube



What Walaa Wants

Documentary | Dir: Christy Garland | 90 mins | 15

Raised in a West Bank refugee camp while her mother was in prison, Walaa is determined to be a policewoman in the Palestinian Security Forces - a big challenge for a 17 year old girl who likes to break all the rules.

Sunday 9 December | 17:40 Watershed



Killing Gaza

+ Q&A with Dr Swee Ang (Medical Aid for Palestinians)

Documentary | Dir: Max Blumenthal, Dan Cohen | 97 mins

When documenting Israel's 2014 assault on Gaza, independent journalists Blumenthal and Cohen, turned a camera onto the survivors to let them speak for themselves and tell their acts of creative resistance.

Sunday 9 December | 14:40 Watershed



Tel Aviv on Fire

Fiction | Dir: Sameh Zoabi | 97 mins

Salam is an intern on a popular Palestinian soap opera. Arrested at a checkpoint, he pretends to Israeli commander Assi that he is a writer on the show. Squeezed between the Israeli officer and the Palestinian backers, Salam can only solve his problems with a final master stroke.

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