

Film screenings



Wed 24 January, 7pm

Seven Artspace

31(a) Harrogate Road, Chapel Allerton,
Leeds, LS7 3PD

The Last Days

Dir. James Moll | 1998 | US | 1hr 27mins

Languages: English, German, Hungarian

Stars: Bill Basch, Martin Basch,
Randolph Braham

In late 1944, even as they faced imminent defeat, the Nazis expended enormous resources to kill or deport over 425,000 Jews during the 'cleansing' of Hungary.

This Oscar-winning documentary, executive produced by Steven Spielberg, focuses on the plight of five Hungarian Jews who survived imprisonment in Auschwitz.

Though these survivors recount the horrors they witnessed and endured as a result of the Nazis' 'Final Solution' their individual triumphs are a testament to hope and humanity.

Tickets: Pay what you feel (on the door)

Tue 30 January, 6.30pm

Hyde Park Picture House

73 Brudenell Road, Leeds, LS6 1JD

Three Minutes: A Lengthening

Dir. Bianca Stigter | 2022 | 69mins | 12A

Narrated by Helena Bonham Carter

Three Minutes: A Lengthening presents a home movie shot by David Kurtz in 1938 in a Jewish town in Poland and tries to postpone its ending. The film is a haunting essay about history and memory. As long as we are watching, history is not over yet.

The three minutes of footage, mostly in colour, are the only moving images left of the Jewish inhabitants of Nasielsk before the Holocaust. Those precious minutes are examined moment by moment to unravel the human stories hidden in the celluloid. Different voices enhance the images: Glenn Kurtz, grandson of David Kurtz, and Maurice Chandler, who appears in the footage as a young boy.

Tickets: Pay what you feel

Available from: hpph.co.uk

Holocaust Memorial Day 2024

Programme of events



This year's theme is Fragility of Freedom

Holocaust Memorial Day is the international day of remembrance of six million Jewish men, women and children murdered in the Holocaust, and millions of other people killed under German Nazi persecution, and in subsequent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia, and Darfur.

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Holocaust Memorial Day

Civic Remembrance Event

Sun 28 January, 2pm
City Varieties Music Hall
Swan Street, Leeds, LS1 6LW

FREE
AND OPEN
TO ALL

The Lord Mayor will open this year's civic remembrance event, which will include a keynote speech by Holocaust survivor Dr Martin Stern MBE.

Join the Lord Mayor for an afternoon of commemoration

The theme for this year's event is 'Fragility of Freedom'

The event is free, but seats are limited.

Tickets: Free tickets are available from Fri 5 January 2024

Please book via:

Box office: 0113 243 0808

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Leeds Heritage Theatres' Leeds Actors in Training (LAIT) have created a performance for the event focussing on Gregory Stanton's 10 Stages of Genocide. The ensemble will follow Jean's story through the stages in a fictional exploration of how the 10 stages could present in the modern world. The story will be told through spoken word and movement in respect of this year's theme; 'The Fragility of Freedom'.

The event will conclude with a reading of the seven statements of commitments with candles lit by representatives of the different groups persecuted in the Holocaust, by Nazi persecution and in subsequent genocides.



There will be British Sign Language (BSL) interpreters at the event.

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Musical events



Sun 21 January, 5pm

The Old Woollen

Sunny Bank Mills, Farsley, Pudsey, LS28 5UJ

She'Koyokh

Çiğdem Aslan vocals

Matt Bacon guitar and kaval

Christina Borgenstierna percussion

Susi Evans clarinet

Meg-Rosaleen Hamilton violin

Paul Moylan double bass

Živorad Nikolić accordion and vocals

She'Koyokh has been hailed as 'one of the finest and most entertaining British-based exponents of global music' (*The Guardian*). The London-based band has dedicated over two decades to embracing the diverse folk music traditions of Jewish Eastern Europe, Turkey, and the Balkans.

The ensemble's live performances are a captivating mix of instruments including clarinet, violin, jazzy guitar licks, accordion, bass, and dance invoking percussion, plus the sweet and passionate voice of Istanbul-born Çiğdem Aslan.

This concert is part of the Sound Out Leeds 2023/24 series

Running time: approximately 110 minutes (including interval)

Tickets: £22

Under 30s, unwaged, full-time students: £11

Available from: www.leedsconcertseason.co.uk



Thu 25 January, 7.30pm

Howard Assembly Room

32 New Briggate, Leeds, LS1 6NU

Fragility of Freedom: Terezin Lieder

For the third year in succession, the Howard Assembly Room presents a concert commemorating Holocaust Memorial Day, which this year has the theme Fragility of Freedom.

Pianist and Leeds Lieder director Joseph Middleton, together with baritone Simon Wallfisch, perform a hand-picked selection of songs by composers murdered in the Holocaust, including Viktor Ullmann and Pawel Haas. Joseph comments, "I'm really pleased that Simon Wallfisch can do this recital. He's the perfect singer for this concert... It will be thoughtful and sensitive and challenging."

The duo will also present music by composers who were lucky to escape Nazi occupied Europe and live their lives in exile in the US and UK, such as Kurt Weill, Erich Korngold, and Hans Gál, who escaped Vienna, was interned in the Isle of Man and went on to start the Edinburgh International Festival.

£12 (+£1 booking fee)

Available from: www.operanorth.co.uk

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