LEEDS YOUNG FILM FESTIVAL: FILM LIST AND RECOMMENDED CLASSIFICATIONS

Zootropolis (BBFC U, TBC)

In a city of anthropomorphic animals, a fugitive con artist fox and a rookie bunny cop must work together to uncover a conspiracy.

Mune

When a faun named Mune becomes the Guardian of the Moon, little did he had unprepared experience with the Moon and an accident that could put both the Moon and the Sun in danger.

Recommended PG due to mild peril, fantastical creatures could be unsettling to very young viewers.

Molly Monster

Molly Monster is the deeply-loved only-monster of Popo and Etna Monster. She spends her days playing with her best friend Edison, a clockwork toy with a life of his own. When mummy monster lays an egg, Molly is excited about getting a new baby brother or sister. Recommended U, no concerning content

A Long Way North

In 1882, a young Russian aristocrat goes on an epic adventure to the arctic to find out what happened to her grandfather and save her family's reputation. Stunning animation with a powerful and moving story.

Recommended PG due to mild peril (shipwreck)

Boy and the Beast

When Kyuta, a young orphan living on the streets of Shibuya, stumbles into a fantastic world of beasts, he's taken in by Kumatetsu, a gruff, rough-around-the-edges warrior beast who's been searching for the perfect apprentice. Beautiful anime from director of Summer Wars (LYFF 2012).

Recommended 12A due to intense action, thematic elements, violence and mild language (USA rating is PG-13)

Zip & Zap and the Marble Gang

Naughty twins Zip & Zap are punished and sent to summer school at Hope, a strict reeducation center which forbids all forms of recreation and entertainment. They discover a secret map, telling of a treasure hidden in the school. Similar to The Goonies in style. Recommended PG due to mild peril

The Idol

A film about the popular Palestinian singer Mohammad Assaf, from childhood to adulthood, and his life in Gaza until he won the Arab idol.

Recommended 12A due to age of character, theme and occasional mild bad language

Breaking a Monster

Documentary about a pre-teen metal band in America who become a YouTube sensation and are signed by a major label.

Recommended 12A due to theme and moderate language (screened in LIFF 2015)

Landfill Harmonic

The remarkable documentary about a Paraguayan children's orchestra that play instruments made from recycled rubbish.

Recommended PG (screened in LIFF 2015)

Lovemilla

Finnish teen comedy musical drama about a young couple in a small town that have to deal with aliens, superheroes, time travel and zombies in their everyday life. Recommended 12A due to mild comedy violence and occasional mild bad language. (screened in LIFF 2015)

Invisible Boy

Michele is thirteen year old, shy, unpopular at school, and in love with Stella. After wearing a costume for a Halloween party, he finds out that he's invisible. A secret organisation wants his powers for themselves and Michele must band together with his classmates to thwart their evil plans.

Recommended 12A due to natural (non-sexual) nudity, violence and two uses of strong language.

Secret Society of Souptown

When the town is attacked by a mystical virus that turns all the grown-ups into children, four brave 10 year olds fight back to save their loved ones despite all the obstacles. Recommended PG due to mild peril and theme which could be unsettling for very young viewers.

Labyrinthus

Frikke, a 14-year-old boy, discovers a sinister computer game that uses real children from his neighbourhood as players. In a race against time Frikke must find the evil creator of this horrible game.

Recommended PG due to mild peril and (faked) animal harm which could be distressing to very young viewers.

Fair Play

The 1980s in Czechoslovakia. The young talented sprinter Anna (Judit Bárdos) is selected for the national team and starts training to qualify for the Olympic Games but her mother and coach are secretly doping her with steroids to improve her chances.

Recommended 12A due to theme and moderate language

Rauf

Rauf hopes to win over his big crush, the older Zana, with the help of the colour pink. But what does pink really look like anyways, and will he even be able to find it in his snowy little Kurdish village up in the mountains?

Recommended PG due to mild peril and theme of war

Life According To Nino

Life is good for Nino van Doorn (8). He has a terrific brother Lucas (14), wise father Bruno and an angel of a mother, Marla. When Marla dies, Bruno can't cope with her death. So when he discovers that he understands the language of animals, he is more relieved than surprised. Now at least he can talk with his pet rabbit Bobby. Family drama which has

screened at lots of children's film festivals in Europe and is the winner of an ECFA (European Children's Film Association) Award.

Recommended PG due to mild peril and theme which could be unsettling for very young viewers.

Operation Arctic

Accidentally, three sibling children are left alone in a winter storm on the island of Spitsbergen. No-one on the mainland, an ocean apart, knows where they are. It's a dramatic fight for survival. Family adventure which has screened at lots of children's film festivals around the world and is the winner of an ECFA (European Children's Film Association) Award.

Recommended PG due to mild peril and theme which could be unsettling for very young viewers.

Birds of Passage

For Cathy, it is not always easy to be born on February 29th, especially when for her birthday, her father gives her an egg to hatch. Cathy and her friend decide to raise the duckling but her parents don't want it in the house. They set off on an adventure to rescue it.

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Enclave

Kosovo 2004, five years after the war. Nenad, ten years Christian boy from a Serbian enclave, determined to create a proper community burial for his late grandfather, crosses enemy lines and makes friends among the Muslim majority in deeply divided, war-torn Kosovo.

Recommended 12A due to theme, moderate violence and mild language

Seven Ravens

The story of the film is based on the classical tale about seven naughty sons, whom their mother cursed in anger and thus turned into ravens. When their youngest sister grew up, she decides to find her brothers and to free them. However, she falls in love with a young Prince. Similar in theme to a Brothers' Grimm fairytale.

Recommended PG due to mild peril and theme which could be unsettling for very young viewers.

Other Girls

In 2011 four 18-year-old girls from Helsinki kept provocative video diaries about their lives during the course of a year as they lose their innocence and at times their belief. Other Girls is a fictional film based on true events.

Recommended 15 due to theme, scenes of sexual intercourse and strong language

Trenk, the Little Knight

Ten-year-old Trenk, peasant and property of evil Sir Wertolt, wants to become a knight and free his family. His sword may be heavier than himself, but with unflagging practice, he's soon ready to take on terrifying dragons and save damsels in distress - before conquering their hearts! Family animated adventure.

Recommended U as no concerning content.

Winnetou's Son

Max has been an Indian since his father hung an eagle feather around his neck right after birth. But now his parents have split up and his dad has forgotten what it means to be an Indian. Max has to learn to stand up for himself and accept that some things in life can't be fixed.

Recommended PG due to mild peril and theme which could be unsettling for very young viewers.

4 Kings

Alex, Lara, Fedja and Timo, four very different teens, have to spend Christmas in a psychiatric clinic for adolescents. Locked up with each other, their own quirks and an unconventional psychiatrist, they experience an unforgettable Christmas full of surprises, pain, and laughs.

Recommended 15 due to theme, violence and strong language

Mortadelo & Filemon: Mission Implausible

A criminal produces a drug that causes uncontrollable laughter and unleashes it on the population. Mortadelo and Filemón, two inept secret agents have to stop him. Animated comedy adventure.

Recommended PG due to mild peril and mild language

April & The Extraordinary World (Not Rated)

1941. France asleep in the nineteenth century, governed by steam and Napoleon V, where scientists vanish mysteriously. Avril, a teenage girl, goes in search of her missing scientist parents. Beautiful French animation, steampunk sci-fi adventure with Marion Cotillard. Recommended PG due to mild peril and mild language

Heidi

A story of a young girl lives in the Swiss Alps with her goat herding Grandfather. Liveaction remake of this timeless classic.

Recommended U as no concerning content.

Cirkus Imago: One Chance in a Million

The acrobatic daughter of the ringmaster of Circus Imago falls in love with a new performer. However he has escaped from the rival Machiavelli circus and the evil owner wants him back at any cost.

Recommended PG due to mild peril and comedy violence

There Should Be Rules

Two teenage friends growing up in a dead-end town are keen to be seen as adults. One friend starts an affair with a married man, while the other tries to deal with a single mother and alcoholic father.

Recommended 15 due to theme, sexual references and strong language

My Friend Raffi

Eight year old Sammy's hamster goes missing when his mum's car is stolen. With his mum busy at work and his father away in Afganistan, Sammy has to track his pet down alone, which leads him to a smuggler who has plans to use Raffi to retrieve his missing contraband.

Recommended U as no concerning content.