

List of films w/o advance screeners requesting certificate 18 rating

A Piece of Sky	A heartfelt drama set in a remote Swiss Village, where a love story is shattered by a terminal illness diagnosis. Contains nudity, sex and references to Paedophilia.
Aftersun	A drama about a Scottish father and daughter on a package holiday in Spain. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Alcarràs	A drama about a family of farmers in rural Spain who are forced off their land. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
All the Beauty and the Bloodshed	Documentary about the artist and photographer Nan Goldin and her campaigning against the oxycontin crisis. Includes some strong language and sexual references.
America	An Israeli love story set between a flower shop and an ancient monastery, between a swimming pool in Chicago and the Mediterranean. Some adult themes.
Anime Supremacy!	A Japanese drama about the anime industry, with artist from two animation studios competing to make the most popular new TV show.
Art and Neurodiversity with Project Art Works	A collection of short films made by neurodivergent filmmakers presented by a neurodivergent arts collective.
Baby Pyramid	A Danish psychological drama portraying the ugly feelings of injustice that comes with infertility. Some adult themes.
Better Mus' Come	The film follows warring political factions in 1970s Jamaica as they enlist the support of gangs to enforce their policies. Strong language, graphic violence, sexual content and scenes of drug use.
Black Sun	Experimental documentary about an artist who has been blinded in a violent assault and learns to cope with the trauma.
Blind Willow, Sleeping Woman	Animated feature based on the stories of Japanese author Haruki Murakami. Includes some adult themes.
Blue Jean	A British drama set in the 1980s about a closeted teacher who is pushed to the brink when a new student threatens to expose her sexuality. Some adult themes and brief nudity. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Bones & All	Maren, a young woman, learns how to survive on the margins of society in this romantic road movie with horror elements. Features graphic violence. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Brief Encounters	Ukrainian 60s romantic drama about a geologist, whose wife unknowingly hires his lover as a maid.
British Short Film Competition 1: Survival Instincts	A selection of short films made in the UK as part of the British Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
British Short Film Competition 2: Always on My Mind	A selection of short films made in the UK as part of the British Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
Broker	South Korean drama about characters associated with baby boxes, which allow infants to be dropped off anonymously to be cared for by others. Some adult themes. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.

Can We Say This Out Loud?: Documentary Shorts Panorama	Selection of short documentaries of themes including environment, political activism and personal identity. One (Blind Spot) contains verbal description of violent/sexual torture.
Close	A Belgian drama about the intense friendship between two thirteen-year old boys that is suddenly disrupted by a tragedy. Some disturbing adult themes including suicide. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Confession	A South Korean murder mystery about a man who escapes into a retreat with his mysterious new lawyer who has never lost a single case.
Corsage	An Austrian period drama, a fictional account of the later years of Empress Elisabeth of Austria as she turns 40 and is officially deemed an old woman and starts trying to maintain her public image. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
De Humani Corporis Fabrica	Anthropological documentary about hospitals which includes some explicit footage of operations and invasive surgical procedures.
Dead Mint	Documentary about humorous indie band Grandads Don't Indicate from Scarborough. Occasional bad language.
Dust and Metal	Documentary about Vietnamese history.
Eat Your Catfish	Documentary about a woman with motor neurone disease made by her son in the lead up to her daughter's wedding. Includes some strong language.
Enys Men	A British folk horror set in 1973 on an uninhabited island off the Cornish coast, where a wildlife volunteer's daily observations of a rare flower turn into a metaphysical journey. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Eo	A Polish film that follows a donkey who encounters on his journeys good and bad people, experiences joy and pain, exploring a vision of modern Europe through his eyes. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Everybody Loves Jeanne	A French comedy drama about a woman who is headed to Lisbon with plans to clear her debt by putting her mother's apartment for sale.
Fanomenon Horror and Science Fiction Shorts	A programme of short horror films from France, Korea, Norway, Switzerland, UAE, UK, some featuring strong violence. Plus a series of science fiction short films screening with feature films.
Fast & Feel Love	A Thai action romance about a world champion of sport stacking who has to learn basic adulting skills in order to live alone and take care of himself.
Films Femmes Afrique Shorts: A Sense of Home	A selection of short films made by women in Africa. Some adult themes.
Finite: The Climate of Change	Anglo-German climate change documentary. Occasional scenes of protest.
Freda	A Haitian drama about a young woman and her family running a street food shop during a time of civil unrest. Includes scenes of sex, violence, and documentary footage of civil unrest.

Geographies of Solitude	Documentary about an environmentalist on a remote island in Canada.
God Said Give 'Em Drum Machines	Documentary about techno in Detroit. Occasional colourful language.
Godland	Icelandic period drama about a young Danish priest travels to a remote part of Iceland to build a church and photograph its people. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Goliath: Immersive Networks Virtual Reality Event	Short VR film about a schizophrenic man's experiences. Includes some disorientating content but will be guided by trained operatives.
Goodbye, Dong Glees!	A Japanese coming-of-age animation set during an unusual summer vacation in Iceland when young friends discover a treasure.
Hello, Bookstore	Gentle documentary about a bookstore in Maine.
Holy Spider	A journalist descends into the dark underbelly of the Iranian holy city of Mashhad as she investigates the serial killings of sex workers by the so called "Spider Killer", who believes he is cleansing the streets of sinners. Features scenes of graphic violence and brief graphic sex.
Huesera	A body horror from Peru about a woman who dreams of becoming a mother but when she becomes pregnant something doesn't seem right. Features strong violence.
I Didn't See You There	Experimental essay film by a disabled filmmaker about his day-to-day experiences with the camera fixed to his wheelchair. Includes strong language.
I Have Electric Dreams	Costa Rican coming of age drama about a teenage girl and her unstable father, who is a poet. Includes some non-explicit sexual scenes and strong language.
Incredible But True	A dark comedy about a married couple who discover a time travel portal in their new house. Scenes of a sexual nature and depictions of death and decay. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
International Short Film Competition 1: Catch A Fire	A selection of short films from around the world as part of the International Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
International Short Film Competition 2: Smoke On the Water	A selection of short films from around the world as part of the International Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
International Short Film Competition 3: In The Air Tonight	A selection of short films from around the world as part of the International Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
International Short Film Competition 4: Not To Touch The Earth	A selection of short films from around the world as part of the International Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.

Jamaican Short Film Programme	A selection of short films from Jamaica, chosen in collaboration with the Jamaican Film and TV Association, to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Jamaican Independence. Contains mild language, and references to prostitution and suicide.
Joyland	A Pakistani drama about a married man who develops feelings for a Trans dancer, after starting work at his local theatre. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Karaoke	An Israeli bittersweet comedy about a middle-class suburban couple in their 60s who are drawn to their new neighbour, a charismatic bachelor who has karaoke evenings at his apartment.
La Pietà	Spanish fantasy drama that follows the toxic relationship between a mother and her son, drawing a parallel between the dictatorship in North Korea and the people. Features scenes of strong violence, brief graphic nudity, graphic medical procedures, suicide.
Leeds Short Film Awards 2022: The Winners	A programme of the award-winning short films from the 7 short film competitions.
Love Dog	A Polish drama about the personal and collective process of grief and repression of trauma of a man who after finishing a job on a Texas oil rig returns to his hometown in Mississippi. Includes scenes of suicide and strong language.
Love Life	Japanese melodrama about a family whose young son dies in an accident. Includes some adult themes.
Loving Highsmith	Biographical documentary about the life and work of the author Patricia Highsmith with a particular emphasis on her homosexuality and how she had to keep her love life a secret. Includes some discussion of adult themes.
Mafifa	Documentary by a hearing-impaired filmmaker about researching a Cuban musician.
Matter Out of Place	Austrian observational documentary about how we deal with waste disposal and rubbish around the world.
Mediterranean Fever	Set in Palestine, the film is about a man's dreams of a writing career while suffering from depression and his relationship with his neighbour, a small-time crook. Some adult themes.
Medusa Deluxe	British mystery thriller about a murder at a hairdressing competition.
Metronom	70s set Romanian drama about a group of teenagers interrogated by the secret police for contacting Radio Free Europe. Includes smoking, drinking and moderate language.
Music Video Competition	A programme of international music videos. Includes some swearing, brief drug references and sexual imagery.
My Imaginary Country	Documentary about protests for social change in Chile. Includes some footage of violence and clashes between police and protesters.
My Small Land	The life of a Kurdish refugee girl in Japan is threatened when she learns that her family's refugee status is turned down. Some adult themes.
Myanmar Diaries	Documentary/art film hybrid made by an anonymous film collective about their experiences in the aftermath of the military coup in Myanmar. Includes some footage of violence during protests.
Neptune Frost	A sci-fi musical set in Rwanda, which explores economic inequality of the mining region of Africa, and the role of technology as both oppressor and liberator. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.

New Normal	Six tales of loneliness, romance and murder interconnect in this horror-comedy set in social media-obsessed, post-pandemic Seoul.
Next Sohee	South Korean drama about a school student struggling with mental health as she tries to get by working in the stressful environment of a call centre. Features some disturbing adult themes including suicide
NightMare	A Norwegian horror film about nightmares that seep into reality as a woman becomes convinced that the demon of her dreams has its sights set on her unborn child.
No Bears	Iranian drama with two parallel love stories in which the partners are thwarted by hidden, inevitable obstacles, the force of superstition, and the mechanics of power. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
No Simple Way Home	A documentary following the filmmaker and her mother as they return to South Sudan from Exile. Contains footage of war and violence.
On the Divide	Documentary about the last abortion clinic on the US/Mexican border. Challenging themes around abortion and threats to personal safety
One Take Grace	An experimental documentary recounting the life of a South African domestic worker. Contains descriptions of abuse, police brutality, sexual assault, and mental health issues.
Pacifiction	French drama about a diplomat on the island of Tahiti who starts to lose control when there are rumours of nuclear testing nearby. Includes some non-explicit sexual content and strong language.
Pamfir	Ukrainian drama/thriller about a family man who gets trapped into a smuggling venture with a local crime syndicate. Includes some strong violence.
Project Wolf Hunting	A Korean action thriller that follows dangerous criminals on a cargo ship who unleash a sinister force after an escape attempt leads to a riot. Features very strong graphic violence.
Queer Short Film Competition 1	A selection of short films with LGBTQ* themes, presented in partnership with Leeds Queer Film Festival. Contains some adult themes.
Queer Short Film Competition 2	A selection of short films with LGBTQ* themes, presented in partnership with Leeds Queer Film Festival. Contains some adult themes.
Return to Seoul	A young French woman returns to South Korea - the country she was born in before being adopted by a French couple - for the very first time. She decides to track down her biological parents, but her journey takes a surprising turn.
Rewind and Play + Let's	Documentary made from footage shot for a French TV film that was never aired about the jazz pianist, Thelonius Monk.
Rodeo	A gripping thriller following a young female misfit who attempts to infiltrate the male dominated world of motorcross racing. This film will be released in the UK soon and receive a BBFC certificate.
Sadako DX	The latest in the Ring series of Japanese horror films about a cursed video, with a more satirical and light horror take than its predecessors.
Screendance Competition	A selection of dance films from around the world as part of the Screendance Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
Shove It: The Xero Slingsby Story	Documentary about Leeds jazz saxophonist Matthew Coe AKA Xero Slingsby. Includes some swearing and brief mention of implied drug use.
Sick Of Myself	Dark comedy satire about a young woman who abuses her own body to seek media attention. Includes strong language and depictions of self-harm.

Sisu	A Finnish WWII action film about an ex-soldier who discovers gold in the Lapland wilderness and battles Nazi soldiers led by a brutal SS officer. Features strong graphic violence.
Stephen Dwoskin: Face of Our Fear + Panel	Essay film from 1992 about the representations of disability onscreen.
The Blind Man Who Did Not Want to See Titanic	Finnish thriller about a blind, disabled man who is kidnapped on a journey to see a friend. Includes some strong language and threat.
The Blue Caftan	A LGBT drama following the relationship between a dying woman, her closeted gay husband, and their young male apprentice in a caftan store in Morocco. Features some adult themes.
The Computer Accent	US electronic pop band YACHT set out to create an album using Artificial Intelligence technology in this documentary. Includes occasional mild swearing.
The Fifth Thoracic Vertebra + Cashbag	An urban ghost story from South Korea about a dumped mattress and a mysterious creature born from the mould inside, showing with the short film Cashbag about a young man on a journey in the night to find the money he needs.
The Hamlet Syndrome	Documentary on a Ukrainian theatre group. Some challenging themes around war, threat and political conflict
The Harbinger + Theatre	An American pandemic horror film about a woman who ventures out of quarantine to visit an old friend who's plagued by nightmares and is drawn into a hellish dreamscape. Screening with Theatre, a Japanese short film about the closure of a cinema during the pandemic and the ghost of an audience member.
The Kegelstatt Trio	Adaptation of a stage play forming a series of conversations between former lovers about their memories and love of classical music. Includes some strong language.
The Novelist's Film	South Korean ensemble drama about a female novelist who takes a long trip to visit a bookstore run by a younger colleague who has fallen out of touch.
The Plains	Australian docufiction in which every evening a man in his late 50s commutes home at the end of the working day in the outer suburbs of Melbourne.
The Uncle	An unsettling thriller from Croatia about a family who welcomes an uncle after he returns from Germany for the holidays, but it's all a pretence to save someone's life.
Thunder	Swiss period drama about a young woman rebelling against the strict religious values of her village. Includes non-explicit sex scenes and sexual references.
Tommy Guns	A magic realist film about Angola's bitter Colonial history, set in 1974 during the final year of Portuguese rule and focusing on a group of young soldiers.
Tori and Lokita	Social realist drama about two West African teens seeking asylum in Belgium. Includes adult themes and scenes of sexual abuse, violence and death.
Under the Fig Trees	A Tunisian drama set over the course of one day, following young women and men working the summer harvest. Some mild language and references to sex.
Unicorn Wars	A Spanish animated anti-war tale about a group of teddy-bear soldiers as they enter a magic forest with the intention of killing unicorns, who they believe pose a terrible threat.
Vera	An Austrian drama about a woman who is trying to escape the shadow of her famous father and enters a new world after her car injures a child in a traffic accident in the suburbs.

Viking	A Canadian sci-fi comedy about the subjects of behavioural research — and the astronauts they mirror — in advance of the first manned mission to Mars.
We Might as Well Be Dead	A satire set in a dystopian future where residents are forced to live in the confines of a carefully curated community. Includes some adult themes and strong language.
World Animation Competition 1	A selection of short films from around the world as part of the Animation Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
World Animation Competition 2	A selection of short films from around the world as part of the Animation Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
Yorkshire Short Film Competition	A selection of short films made in Yorkshire as part of the Yorkshire Short Film Competition. Contains some adult themes.
Zuhal	A black comedy about a woman searching for a cat in her apartment complex. Some adult themes.