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THE REGAL THEATRE

The Regal Theatre offers a mixed programme of good quality professional and community entertainment and film. A bar is available at all performances, open during intervals and half an hour before the start of a performance. Children are very welcome at the theatre. Under tens should be accompanied by an adult and supervised when on the balcony.



The theatre auditorium is at first floor level but all public areas are fully accessible. A lift carries people to all floors of the building and there are user friendly toilets for those with special mobility needs. There are a number of spaces in the auditorium for wheelchair users and their companions; these need to be booked in advance to ensure availability.

A hearing loop is installed in the auditorium and will be in use for nearly all shows. The box office will soon have a hearing loop to assist people with hearing difficulties.

There is a strict 'No Smoking' policy in operation throughout the theatre and on the balcony at all times.

HOW TO FIND US

The Regal Theatre is located in The Avenue, the main street that runs through Minehead. The entrance is between the Co-op and Poundland and opposite the Methodist Church.

There is a public car park to the rear of the theatre with designated parking for people with disabilities. You will find the car park entrance beside the Co-op. Parking is free after 6pm. It is possible to pick up and put down at the front of the theatre, although the spaces are often taken.

There is a taxi rank in The Parade and a telephone box immediately outside the theatre.



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THE REGAL FILM SOCIETY

The Regal Theatre is home to The Regal Film Society, which registered as a charity (number 1162286) in June 2015 and begins its 22nd season in September.

It is the largest film society in the South West and the second largest in Britain, with more than 400 members. Recently released films from the UK and around the world are screened every month on one of the largest screens in the area, measuring 30ft x 15ft.



The Regal Film Society has just upgraded its projection equipment to a digital cinema package (DCP) of the type now used in most commercial cinemas. The cost of Film Society membership is £16.50 (individual), £27 (couple) and £11 (concessions). Tickets on the night cost £3 for members and £5 for non-members/guests.

Public screenings are organised by The Regal Film Society in addition to their members' programme of monthly film screenings which runs from September to June. For up-to-date information about all film screenings at the Regal visit the website www.regalfilmsociety.org or sign up for the Film News mailing list by contacting Victoria Thomas on 01643 831343 or email admin@filmsociety.org

Membership of the Film Society DOES NOT include membership of the Friends of the Regal.

REGAL THEATRE TOKENS

If you need a good idea for a present, you may like to think about a Regal Gift Voucher, which is available from the Box Office at any denomination you choose. It's a perfect gift for anyone who enjoys theatre and films. There is no time limit on when a voucher is used and people can spend as much or as little of the Voucher's value at any one time, saving the remainder for another occasion.

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Tuesday 13 September at 7.30pm
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OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



Sep
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The Regal Film Society
First film in the new season's programme

LEARNING TO DRIVE (Cert: 15)

Dir: Isobel Coixet UK/USA 2015 89 mins

Manhattan-based literary critic Wendy decides to learn to drive after the collapse of her marriage. Her Sikh instructor Darwhan offers her the benefit of his wisdom on parallel parking and road rage while she gives him some insight into the workings of the female heart. A gentle comedy with a big heart starring Patricia Clarkson and Ben Kingsley.

Thursday 15 September at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £18.00, Friends £17.50,
ES40's/Students £10.00

Pop-Up Opera

Rossini's

IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA

[The Barber of Seville]

Experience opera like you've never seen before, as Pop-Up Opera take to the stage with their adaptation of this much loved opera, sung in Italian with English captions. Witness razor-sharp timing in this fast-paced comical farce as the resourceful barber, Figaro, tries to help the young Count Almaviva win the hand of the beautiful Rosina out of love rather than for his wealth. They soon set about producing many disguises for the count, and thus the farce ensues...!

Rossini's famous opera is brought to life by the critically acclaimed Pop-Up Opera, an innovative professional touring company dedicated to making opera enjoyable and inviting, without losing the quality of musical performance.



Sep
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Sep
16

Friday 16 September at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £16.00, Friends £15.50,
ES40's/Students £8.00

Grant Koper presents

SOME ENCHANTED EVENING



Featuring some of the best loved songs from hit Broadway and West End musicals, brought to you, live on stage, by some of the industry's most talented performers, with numbers from South Pacific, Oklahoma, Mamma Mia, Wicked, Les Misérables and many more.

This show will leave you with a smile on your face and a song in your heart. A magical experience, not to be missed!

Sep
17

Saturday 17 September at 2.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £8.00, Friends £7.50, Children £5.00
Family Ticket (2 Adults + 2 Children) £20.00

The MakeShift Ensemble

FOX AND RABBIT'S IDIOT'S GUIDE TO THE OWL AND THE PUSSYCAT

(Adventures in a pea green boat)



Join the wayward Reynard. H. Fox and his reluctant sidekick Rabbit as they meander their inelegant way around the world of the Owl and the Pussycat in their beautiful pea-green boat.

Dodge the jellyfish in the deep blue sea; climb the bong-tree to meet the spirit who dwells within and journey with them to find the mythical shilling.

Aided by a rockabilly hog (Elvis Pigsley), a Compass Fish and a somewhat melodramatic turkey – can Fox and Rabbit get the Owl and Pussycat to the hill on time to finally tie the knot?

The MakeShift Ensemble bring a sense of adventure and humour to this wonderful retelling of Edward Lear's classic nonsense poem, brought to life with puppetry and live music. Bring your imaginations and your runcible spoons and be entertained whatever your age.

This production proudly supports The Bee Cause on behalf of Friends of the Earth.

Friday 23 September at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £16.00, Friends £15.50,
ES40's/Students £8.00

GA GA QUEEN TRIBUTE

GA GA are embarking on their current tour with a show packed with massive Queen hits spanning right across the legendary band's back catalogue.

From numerous Queen Conventions to TV appearances, GA GA have consistently proved why they are so highly rated - there are no wigs, no make-up and definitely no false moustaches but instead a host of massive Queen songs played as they were meant to be.

Ga Ga are three Merseyside musicians – John Holmes (vocals, guitar), Tony Pilling (bass guitar, vocals) and Graham Patrick (drums, vocals).



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Tuesday 27 September at 7.30pm

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The Regal Film Society

THE BFG (Cert: PG)

Dir: Steven Spielberg UK/Canada/USA 2016 117 mins

Steven Spielberg's film adaptation of the well-loved novel by Roald Dahl stars Oscar-winning British actor Mark Rylance as the Big Friendly Giant. The film follows Sophie (Ruby Barnhill) as she is whisked away from her orphanage by the BFG to Giant Country where she is at risk of being eaten by other larger giants, including the Fleshlumpeater and Bloodbottler.

Together, Sophie and the BFG go on an adventure to Dream Country where they capture dreams for the BFG to give to all of the human world's sleeping children. After hatching a cunning plan, they head back to London to see if the Queen (Penelope Wilton) can help them tackle the problem of bullying, child-eating and giants.

This film is still to be confirmed. For up-to-date information about all film screenings at the Regal visit our website www.regalfilmsociety.org

Sep
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Thursday 29 September at 7.30pm

TICKETS: Adults £16.50, Friends £16.00,

ES40's/Students £8.50

THE NEW JERSEY BOYS OH WHAT A NIGHT!

The music of Frankie Valli

and the Four Seasons

Plus a tribute to Showaddywaddy



This sensational show, which continues to sell out and receive standing ovations everywhere, returns by popular demand. The New Jersey Boys take their audience on a musical journey through the career of one of the biggest selling groups of all time – the Four Seasons. The packed two set programme includes all the hits such as Sherry, Big Girls Don't Cry, Walk Like a Man and much more. Featuring the amazing falsetto voice of Einar Vestman and the humour of all round entertainer Gary Gould, the show is a fusion of tight vocal harmonies, superb solo spots and light comedy. This programme includes a tribute to another great rock'n'roll band Showaddywaddy. Don't be surprised if you find yourself singing and dancing!

Wednesday 5 October at 7.30pm

TICKETS: Adults £12.00, Friends £11.50,
ES40's/Students £6.00

Pantaloons

ROMEO & JULIET

Romance. Swordfights. Potions. Tragically slow messengers... The critically-acclaimed Pantaloons give Shakespeare's tale of ill-fated love a fresh twist! A delightfully inventive take featuring live music, audience interaction and that famous bit with the balcony. You'll laugh until you cry.

The Pantaloons are a young and dynamic theatre company which recaptures an aspect of drama which modern naturalistic theatre has lost: the riotous energy of the clown. Their anarchic humour has a moving and uplifting effect, reminding us that we are all simply participants in a game of make-believe.

The Pantaloons have been immensely popular at the Regal Theatre in the recent past and their visit is anticipated for the opportunity it gives for an enjoyable and hilarious night out.



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Tuesday 11 October at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Members £3.00, Guests £5.00
OPEN TO MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS



The Regal Film Society

OUR LITTLE SISTER (Cert: PG)

Dir: Hirokazu Koreeda Japan 2016 128 mins

A tender and unassuming film which celebrates the beauty of nature and family love. It tells the story of three twenty-something sisters who live in a handsome house originally belonging to their grandmother. Long since estranged from both parents, they find they have a teenage half-sister who brings a complicated miracle to their lives. Subtitled.

Oct
12

Wednesday 12 October at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £12.00, Friends £11.50,
ES40's/Students £6.00

Baroque Theatre Company

VERONICA'S ROOM

By Ira Levin

Directed by Adam Morley, Produced by Claire Bibby

Presented by Arrangement with Samuel French Ltd

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Are you brave enough to enter Veronica's Room?

This chilling mystery thriller by the author of horror classic *Rosemary's Baby* and *Deathtrap*, takes you into an absorbing spider's web of fantasy, reality and danger. Susan Kerner, a young beautiful Boston college student is on a date with the charming Larry Eastwood in 1973. The young lovers find themselves at The Brabissant mansion, invited by the Mackeys, an elderly Irish couple who are struck by Susan's strong resemblance to Veronica Brabissant long since dead. Together they enter Veronica's room, untouched since 1935 and nothing will ever be the same again for them. The mystery of *Veronica's Room* deepens as twist after twist unravels the threads of reality. Is it 1973 or is it in fact 1935? A fascinating piece of suspense filled drama full to the brim with twists, turns and intrigue.

Age guidance 16+. Contains adult themes that may shock.

Friday 21 & Saturday 22 October at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £8.00, Friends £7.50,
ES40's/Students £4.00

The Waterfront Theatre Company

COMEDY TONIGHT

An evening of sketches and songs

Vibrant, young at heart Waterfront Theatre Company tap into their creative spirit to produce an evening of comic sketches and entertaining music. Featuring well-known local performers with a riotous sense of humour, a good night out is guaranteed.



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Oct
23

Sunday 23 October at 8.00pm

**ADVANCE TICKETS: Adults £12.00, Friends £11.50,
ES40's/Students £10.00. ON THE NIGHT: All £14.00**

FINDINGS

Ange Hardy & Lukas Drinkwater

Don't miss Ange Hardy and Lukas Drinkwater on the final night of their "Findings" Tour, when they will be promoting and playing songs from their new album.

This duo has been stunning audiences all over the country; using a staggering array of instruments and equipment (a 27-string harp, 4 different guitars, a double bass, traditional whistles, an Indian shruti box, loop pedals and a stomp box) to perform their distinctive music.

Local Somerset star, Ange Hardy, returns to writing about our local area, this time with the able assistance of a new duo partner, Lukas Drinkwater, referring to events and ways of life in Watchet and surrounding area. Previously Lukas has performed with other prestigious folk artists and at festivals. Together, they are now creating a special blend of music that's bound to captivate fans from all genres. Supported by the Blazing Stump Folk Club.



Oct
25

Tuesday 25 October at 7.30pm

**TICKETS: £5.00, Film Society Members £3.00
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

PUBLIC FILM SCREENING

Film title to be announced.



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Friday 28 & Saturday 29 October at 7.30pm

**TICKETS: Adults £5.50, Friends £5.00,
ES40's/Students £2.50**

Oasis Theatre

SLEEPING BEAUTY

A panto adapted by Ann Eary

It's an Oasis first - a pantomime based on the traditional tale of Sleeping Beauty, performed with the enthusiastic dancing, singing and acting of the young Oasis group, which includes local people of all ages and abilities. They perform alongside seasoned actors from the local community and dancers from Manda Clarke School of Dancing.

A handsome Prince, a beautiful Princess and a wicked witch - three important ingredients for a traditional panto. Be prepared to join in, boo, cheer, sing, and of course, laugh. A great evening of entertainment awaits you. Oh yes it does!

Oasis would like to thank Sunfield B&B who have helped to support this production.



Oct
28-29

Sunday 30 October at 7.30pm

**TICKETS: Adults £20.00, Friends £19.50,
ES40's/Students £10.00**

PAUL CARROLL'S MUSIC HALL TAVERN SHOW



Oct
30

By popular demand, the UK's premier comedy drag variety show is coming back to the Regal for the second time this year.

Whatever your age, this feel-good night will not only entertain and amuse you, but will leave you with unforgettable memories of the funniest night out of the year! Come along and join Mrs T and the "girls" from MHT for a truly magnificent night of dazzling costumes, side splitting laughter, and a cast of unique characters singing and dancing all night long.

Starring Paul Carroll as Mrs T, Paul Burnham as Guapatini, Grant Koper as Miss Frankie and featuring the Showcase International Dancers.

Their last visit to the Regal was a sell-out. Don't miss it this time.

Nov
02

Wednesday 2 November at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £20.00, Friends £19.50

JETHRO – FORTY YEARS THE JOKER

A memorable evening of hysterical nonsense, as we take a peek into the circus lurking deep within the mind of, probably the greatest, comic storyteller ever to grace the stage.

Jethro beguiles and befuddles his audience with the endless stream of irreverent twaddle that has created a comedy genius.

Over 4 million DVD sales pay testament to the legion of fans who have followed Jethro faithfully throughout his career. Now, with stories old and new we present, live on stage, *Jethro 'Forty Years The Joker'*. *Age guidance 16+ years.*



Thursday 10 – Saturday 12 November at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £7.50, Friends £7.00,
ES40's/Students £4.00

Minehead Dramatic Society

DOUBLE DEATH

Max and Ashley Hennessy are twins. One of them is trying to kill the other, but which? This fast paced, beautifully written thriller by Simon Williams explores the strangely interlinked world of twins and examines the jealousies, fears and motivations of identical siblings.

A very strong, small cast of local actors, who between them have won many "Best Actor" awards, brings this fascinating story to life.



"In form and feature, face and limb
I grew so like my brother,
That folk got taking me for him
And each for one another.
It puzzled all our kith and kin,
It reached a fearful pitch,
For one of us was born a twin,
Yet not a soul knew which!"

Henry Sambrooke Leigh

Tuesday 15 November at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Members £3.00, Guests £5.00
OPEN TO MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS



Nov
15

The Regal Film Society

99 HOMES (Cert: 15)

Dir: Ramin Bahrani USA 2015 112 mins

This taut real-estate thriller is a drama of greed and foreclosures in post economic crisis Florida. Single father Dennis Nash is evicted from his home, his belongings cast on to the street and his family despatched to a seedy motel. Worse still, he soon finds himself working for the very man who evicted him.

Thursday 24 – Saturday 26 November at 7.30pm

TICKETS: Adults £8.00, Friends £7.50,
ES40's/Students £3.50

Nov
24-26

Barnstormers

LAYING THE GHOST

By Simon Williams

Margot is an ex-actress, famous in her youth for her portrayal of Juliet with her then husband Leo a dashing Romeo. She is now trying to forget him and the fact that today is her seventieth birthday. All she wants is to carry on her quiet routine in the retirement home, but a stream of unexpected

guests, together with visits from her psychic friend Freda's supernatural contacts, all lead to chaos and hilarity that turns the witty and sharp tongued Margot's day completely around.

Directed by Patrick Daly and supported by an experienced Barnstormer team, Laying the Ghost features well-known local actors familiar on the Regal Stage. Pictured: David Pitts, Anne Scullard and Mo Best.



Nov
29

Tuesday 29 November at 7.30pm
TICKETS: £5.00, Film Society Members £3.00
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30

Wednesday 30 November at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £17.00, Friends £16.50,
ES40's/Students £10.00

Ballet Theatre UK

ROMEO & JULIET

Join Ballet Theatre UK with their passionate and innovative recreation of Shakespeare's great love story, Romeo and Juliet. In a new production Ballet Theatre UK tell the tragic tale of star-crossed lovers with astonishing grace and heart-breaking intimacy.

Stunning costumes and innovative stage sets transport you to Renaissance Verona where the tragic tale of the Capulet and Montague families unfolds.



During an opulent Capulet ball the lovers meet, sparking a fateful series of events. We follow them as they experience the greatest of romances and arrive at their tragic final embrace.

From the balcony scene's elated pas de deux to the lovers' heart-breaking end, Romeo and Juliet promises to be a favourite for all lovers of dance and high drama.

Thursday 1 December at 7.30pm

**TICKETS: Adults £10.50, Friends £10.00,
ES40's/Students £6.00**

GreenMatthews

(formerly Blast From the Past)

A BRIEF HISTORY OF CHRISTMAS



Acclaimed historical musicians

GreenMatthews (with special guest Jude Rees) present a festive romp through 600 years of Christmas music, songs and stories, beginning in the Middle Ages and ending in the 20th century. A whistle-stop tour of the origins of our midwinter festivities, the show features long-forgotten songs and tales as well as familiar and well-loved carols.

The first half of the programme takes in 600 years of music – featuring music and songs played on archaic instruments such as cittern, shawm and rauschpfeife, as well as more familiar instruments such as guitar, flute, oboe and accordion, all helped along by GreenMatthews' trademark wit and humour. The second half is a thrilling retelling of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" – using song, drama and music to bring this classic story to life in a riot of sound and colour.

Thursday 8 December at 7.30pm

**TICKETS: Adults £12.00, Friends £11.50, ES40's/Students £10.00,
Family Ticket (2 Adults + 2 Children) £40**

Chapterhouse Theatre Company

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

By Charles Dickens

Adapted by Laura Turner



On Christmas Eve, the most magical night of the year, the miserly Ebenezer Scrooge is whisked away on a terrifying journey through the past and into the future, accompanied by three fearsome ghosts determined to make him realize the true meaning of Christmas. Charles Dickens' classic ghost story is brought alive in this most traditional of productions, complete with beautiful period costume, song, dance and a magnificent, original musical score. Join critically acclaimed theatre company Chapterhouse as Scrooge's frozen heart begins to melt and he finally embraces the festive spirit in this most Christmassy of Christmas tales.

Dec
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Friday 9 December at 7.30pm

**TICKETS: Adults £8.00, Friends £7.50, ES40's/Students £3.50,
Family Ticket (2 Adults + 2 Children) £19.00**

SING4FUN AT CHRISTMAS

After the success of "Musical Mayhem" last year Sing4Fun community choir are back for a Christmas concert. Led by Sarah-Jane Cross and accompanied by Keith Jones the choir will perform a varied selection of seasonal songs as well as some that are distinctly unchristmassy! The program will include Winter Solstice, Carol of the Bells, The Sound of Silence, Scarborough Fair, The Cat Came Back and much more. There will be opportunities to join in with some well-known carols as well as listen to some amazing performances by talented soloists from Fusion Young Performers including Dan Boulton and Becky Lockyer (both of whom starred in the 2014 production of Les Miserables).

All profits from this event will be donated to charities.



Dec
13

Tuesday 13 December at 7.30pm

**TICKETS: Members £3.00, Guests £5.00
OPEN TO MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS**

The Regal Film Society

THE CROW'S EGG (Cert: PG)

Dir: M Manikandan India 2015 91 mins



Set around the margins of Chennai, this latter-day parable mines both laughter and tears from the struggle of India's poorest to put food on the table. Two young brothers share the nickname of the title because the younger of the two tempts birds from their nests with handfuls of his mother's rice while the older brother swipes the eggs. Subtitled.

Wednesday 14 December at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £15.00, Friends £14.50,
ES40's/Students £8.00

5 Star Swing Big Band **BIG BAND AT CRISTMAS**

Swing 'n' sing-along into Christmas - with the unique Five Star Swing Big Band show – as featured at London's Leicester Square Theatre and BBC "Children in Need". Enjoy all your favourite Christmas songs with the dynamic Big Band treatment in the style of Glenn Miller, Sinatra, Basie, Nat King Cole - jazzing up those Jingle Bells!

Featuring Simone from the Ivy Benson Orchestra, and Chris Smith (Jnr) composer and arranger for the BBC Radio Big Band, Herb Miller Big Band (Glenn's brother), plus Tony Bennett's trombonist!



Friday 16 December at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Adults £15.00, Friends £14.50,
ES40's/Students £8.00

PETER GILL AT CHRISTMAS

For the perfect kick start to the festive period 'A Swinging Christmas Evening' is always the answer!

Boogie Woogie and Swing pianist/vocalist Peter Gill and his swing band perform an eclectic mix of swing standards, boogie woogie classics and Christmas gems such as 'White Christmas', 'Santa Claus Is Comin To Town', 'Baby It's Cold Outside', 'Winter Wonderland' and 'Mr Bojangles'.

This is an evening of sublime, cool, boogie and blues interlaced with Peter's friendly and witty banter. Peter will be joined on stage by his band and special guests.



Friday 30 December, 2016 – Saturday 7 January, 2017

TICKETS: Adults £10.00, Friends £9.50,

ES40's/Students/Children £6.50,

Family Ticket (2 adults, 2 children) £30.00



Minehead Panto People present

THE PIED PIPER

By Alan Frayn

The story is set in the rat infested town of Hamelin. Pippin the Piper rides the town of a plague of rats with his enchanting pipe music, but unfortunately due to an evil spell from Sour-Kraut, the evil Sorceress, all the town's children are led away to the Magic Mountain as well. Are they lost forever? Can the sweet Fairy Strudel bring them home?

MPP present Alan Frayn's "The Pied Piper" featuring characters like Sour-Kraut the evil Sorceress, Rat-Worst the leader of the rats with his four apprentices Squeaky, Beaky, Cheeky and Leaky, the sweet Fairy Strudel and the German sausage maker Helga, with her daft sausage stuffer son, Willie... not forgetting the comical, hopeless, idiotic rat catchers-Blatter and Splatter.



With a magical UV cave scene, a hilarious sausage making slapstick sketch, rats, pigs, and a whole lot of celebrating in the Burgomeister's pub the "Rat and Ferret", it's a panto you must not miss.

PERFORMANCES

Friday 30 December at 7.30pm

Saturday 31 December at 1.00pm & 5.00pm

Sunday 1 January at 1.00pm & 5.00pm

Monday 2 January at 2.30pm

Tuesday 3 January – NO PERFORMANCE

Wednesday 4 January – NO PERFORMANCE

Thursday 5 January at 7.30pm

Friday 6 January at 7.30pm

Saturday 7 January at 2.30pm & 7.30pm

Tuesday 17 January at 7.30pm
TICKETS: Members £3.00, Guests £5.00
OPEN TO MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS



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The Regal Film Society

MAGGIE'S PLAN (Cert: 15)

Dir: Rebecca Miller USA 2016 98 mins

At risk of being overshadowed by her father, playwright Arthur Miller, and actor husband Daniel Day-Lewis, Rebecca Miller is a top rate film director in her own right with a series of successful titles under her belt. This, her latest film, has been described as a 'wry, intellectually agile drama' and the most overtly comic of her films so far. It is about a young woman's decision to take control of her own destiny when she falls in (and out of) love with a married man. Stars Greta Gerwig, Ethan Hawke and Julianne Moore.

Thursday 19 January at 7.30pm
TICKETS: All £5.00

Alex Simson

STORYWELL

Alex Simson is a gifted storyteller who uses a variety of techniques to bring her huge catalogue of folk tales, myths and legends from around the world to her audience. After some twenty years as a story teller Alex has developed a style which is appreciated by listeners from ten to one hundred.



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Alex is based locally and has worked her magic at many local groups, all of which have asked her back! Do come along and enjoy her modern take on the traditional art of storytelling. You will not be disappointed.

Performance in the Bar.

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Friday 27 January at 7:30 pm
TICKETS: Adults £18.00,
U18's/Full Time Students (18-21) £2.00

Minehead and West Somerset Arts Society

STRINGS FROM THE BOURNEMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA



We are very excited to announce the visit of the BSO Strings, a twenty-four piece string ensemble, made up of members of the world famous Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra.

Known across the world thanks to over 300 recordings, the BSO was originally founded in 1893 as the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra and changed its name to the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra in 1954, becoming famous for its encouragement of English composers.

Mozart: Eine Kleine Nachtmusik K525

Vaughan Williams: Dives and Lazarus (Eluned Pierce: harp)

Elgar: Introduction and Allegro Op. 47

Barber: Adagio

Dvorák: Serenade for Strings in E major Op. 22

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Tuesday 31 January at 7.30pm
TICKETS: £5.00, Film Society Members £3.00
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

PUBLIC FILM SCREENING

Film title to be announced.



For up-to-date information about all film screenings at the Regal visit the website www.regalfilmsociety.org or sign up for the Film News mailing list by contacting Victoria Thomas on 01643 831343 or email admin@filmsociety.org

Friday 3 February at 7.30pm

TICKETS: Adults £16.00, Friends £15.50,
ES40's/Students £8.00

Bookends Present

SIMON & GARFUNKEL: THROUGH THE YEARS

Performing in a captivating way, against a backdrop of images and video footage, Bookends' delicate recreation of the unmistakable sound of the American folk-rock duo is something of a masterpiece.

The concert features many classics such as 'The Sound of Silence', 'Mrs Robinson', 'The Boxer' and Bookends' own beautiful rendition of 'Bridge Over Troubled Water'. With early folk gems such as the haunting 'Sparrow', the poetic 'Bleecker Street' and with additional music from Simon & Garfunkel's solo careers, the concert is a must see for any music lover.

Bookends duo Dan Haynes & Pete Richards have toured extensively, performing sell-out runs at the 2014 and 2015 Edinburgh Fringe Festivals and prestigious venues such as the Edinburgh Festival Theatre, The Lowry and the Minack Theatre in Penzance.



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WAYS TO KEEP IN TOUCH

with theatre events, auditions, opportunities and news:

- Become a Friend of the Regal to receive a Regal brochure and newsletter.
- Visit the Regal web-site (regaltheatre.co.uk) to see what's on and book your tickets.
- Send us an email from the website to sign up for our regular Regal E-News.
- 'Like' our page on Facebook to receive day to day news of events and auditions.

FRIENDS OF THE REGAL

The Regal Theatre is a hugely successful community project. Many people show their support by becoming a FRIEND OF THE REGAL. The annual subscription entitles a Friend to receive regular newsletters about activities, discounts on most tickets when booking in advance (usually 50p) and the satisfaction of knowing that you are supporting the local community theatre! The subscription is £5.00 per adult which includes children living at the same address.

The Regal greatly appreciates the enormous support it receives from the community and from the Friends. If you are not already a member, can we ask you to consider becoming a Friend of the Regal? To do this you need only ask one of the theatre staff for an application form or call into the box office. Requests can be made by sending an email to the Regal Theatre from the website: www.regaltheatre.co.uk

VOLUNTEERING

The Regal Theatre could not continue to flourish if it were not for the continued hard work and dedication of all our volunteers. Our debt of gratitude is enormous.

Volunteers help everywhere in the theatre from box office to front of house, to bar and theatre management, to set building and the technical aspects of productions, to the more invisible work of maintaining our websites, distributing publicity, booking shows, welcoming volunteers and new Friends, and keeping accounts. There are currently openings available in almost every department.

To volunteer at the Regal, go into the box office and speak to the box office volunteers, or contact the Regal through our web-site. If you would like to appear on the stage, or to work backstage, with one of the MATA companies, visit the Regal Website, go to the OUR MEMBER COMPANIES tab and contact the companies.

TICKETS

Tickets and information are available from the theatre between 10am and 3pm Monday to Friday. The box office opens on Saturdays from 10am-3pm on performance days and from 10am-12.30pm on non-performance days.

Tickets can also be bought with a credit or debit card by telephoning when the box office is open on **01643 706430**. A transaction fee is charged whenever a credit card is used in payment. We can send tickets to you at an extra cost of £1 to cover postage or hold them for you in the theatre for collection. Unpaid tickets cannot be reserved.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.regaltheatre.co.uk for which there is a charge of £1 per transaction and £1 for postage if that option is chosen. We regret that tickets once purchased are non-refundable.

GROUPS - For every 10 tickets booked the 11th is free, subject to availability.

SEATING PLAN

STAGE

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The Regal Theatre is a non-smoking venue

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