



The Curzon Community Cinema 46 Old Church Road Clevedon North Somerset BS21 6NN



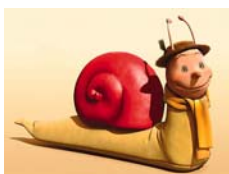
PRESS RELEASE

Magical Evening at The Curzon

The Curzon Community Cinema in Clevedon, in association with Pathé and Bolex Brothers of Bristol, is pleased to announce the South West UK Premiere of the latest feature animation film to hit UK cinema screens – *The Magic Roundabout* (www.the-magic-roundabout.com)



This full length film is an adaptation of the cult puppet-animated TV cartoon, and involves most of the famous characters seen back in the 1960's, such as Dougal, Florence, Brian, Ermintrude, Dylan and Zebedee. The difference with the new film though, is the use of the latest state of the art CGI animation, such as recently seen in the 2004 hit film *The Incredibles*.



The original TV programme was narrated by Eric Thompson, the late father of oscar-winning actress Emma Thompson. For the new animated feature lots of famous names have been signed-up to provide the voices, including Kylie Minogue, Robbie Williams, Jim Broadbent, Bill Nighy, Joanna Lumley, Ian McKellen, Tom Baker and Richard O'Brien.

This premiere event is a real coup for the Curzon Cinema. Other than the London premiere that takes place on 30th January this will be the first public screening in the UK, and it takes place on Sunday 6th February at the Curzon. In fact many of the people that worked on the film will be seeing the film for the first time here in Clevedon at this special gala event.



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Andy Leighton, Bolex Brothers' producer, said, "We are grateful to Pathé Pictures and the Curzon Community Cinema for this opportunity to celebrate our work on this film by allowing us to have a special South West Premiere in this historic cinema. It's a chance to say thank you to our crew in particular and the Bristol and west country based animation film community in general, as well as supporting the restoration of the Curzon Cinema to its former glory."



This will be Bolex Brothers second feature film after the award winning "*The Secret Adventures of Tom Thumb*" just released for the first time on DVD. Bolex Brothers have just started work on their third feature film "*Grass Roots*" starring the Fabulous Furry Freak Brothers and Fat Freddy's Cat.

Present at the Curzon Premiere will be the Director, Producer and animators that worked on the film, as well as screenwriters. The Curzon is also hoping that some of the stars of the film may also come along.

Curzon General Manager said, "We are absolutely thrilled that the Curzon has been chosen for such a high profile film premiere, and thanks go to our friends at Bolex Brothers in Bristol who worked so hard to secure this historic event. Not only will the event generate some much needed publicity for our restoration plans, it is a testament to the improvements we have made here over the past eight years to create a modern cinema experience – thanks to all the staff and volunteers here who keep the cinema running on a daily basis."

The Curzon have announced that there will be a limited number of tickets available for the general public, on a first come first served basis, and these will go on general sale shortly. Full details about pricing and where to buy will be announced within the next week. One thing we do know is that admission will be by advanced ticket only. For more details as they are announced, visit www.curzon.org.uk/whats-on.



NOTES FOR EDITORS:

1. The Curzon Community Cinema (Registered Charity No. 1058389) is believed to be the oldest purpose-built, continuously operated cinema in the world, built in 1912 and never having lost a film performance even during substantial reconstruction in 1921. It is Grade II Listed.
2. The charity that has owned and operated the Curzon Community Cinema for the past 8 years has drawn up exciting plans for the refurbishment of the theatre including re-opening the Grand Circle that has been closed to the public since the 1970's, a new foyer area and the construction of a second screen on the site. It is hoped that the bulk of funding will come through the Heritage Lottery Fund, who have already supported the cinema with a project planning grant. Nevertheless the Curzon still has to raise over £1m itself in order for the restoration to proceed.
3. Since it has owned and operated the cinema, the charity has installed a new screen, new seating, the very latest Dolby Digital Surround Sound system and expanded the foyer area as well as installing audio-description and sub-title facilities for people with disabilities.

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