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Bike film Festival 2008

"The bicycle is the most civilized conveyance known to man. Other forms of transport grow daily more nightmarish. Only the bicycle remains pure in heart".
~Iris Murdoch, The Red and the Green



7 - 14

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The Dukes, Moor Lane, Lancaster
Tickets: 0845 344 0642 / www.dukes-lancaster.org

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For the third year running the Dukes is supporting Lancaster's status as Cycle Demonstration Town with a Bike Film Festival aimed at encouraging, respecting and celebrating cycling.

AUDITORIUM Events

Tuesday 8 April 6pm

Beijing Bicycle (PG)

Dir: Wang Shuai 113 mins. With: Cui Lin, Lee Bing

Subtitles

Set in modern day China, Beijing Bicycle is a poignant bitter-sweet tale that reveals the hardships of growing up in one of the most overpopulated cities of the world. Peasant lad Guei has moved to the city and become a bicycle courier, hoping to make his dreams come true.

But schoolboy Jian needs a bike to impress his girlfriend and doesn't think twice about stealing one. A deceptively simple fable about human nature, the award-winning film is a powerful study of pride, jealousy and the corruptive powers of capitalism.

Wednesday 9 April 6:30pm

A Boy, A Girl and A Bike (U)

Dir: Ralph Smart UK 1949 92 mins b&w

With: Diana Dors, Maurice Denham, Honor Blackman

This comedy drama follows the romantic intrigues and class conflicts within a Yorkshire cycling club. The boy is Sam Walters. The girl is Susie Bates. The bike is one of several used by a British cycling club. Boy and girl have fun pedaling about the countryside until the girl's pretty head is turned by David Howarth, a wealthy young man with a snazzy sports car.

Monday 14 April 6pm

Belleville Rendez-vous (12A)

Dir: Sylvain Chomet France 82 mins

Voices: Jean-Claude Donda, Michel Robin, Monica Viegas

Subtitles

This delightful animated comedy is hilarious, touching and full of Gallic charm. It tells the story of Madame Souza, a tenacious old woman whose cyclist grandson is kidnapped by the big-shouldered, wine-guzzling French Mafia. However, with the unexpected help of three eccentric old ladies, Madam Souza and her exceedingly podgy old hound save the day!

GALLERY Events

All the Gallery events are free but spaces are limited. Tickets can be obtained from the Dukes' Box Office - book early to avoid disappointment.

Monday 7 April 7.30pm

The Carbon Cycle

In 2006 Dr Kate Rawles cycled 4553 miles from El Paso to Anchorage along the spine of the Rockies, exploring American attitudes to climate change.

In this interesting and thought provoking talk Kate will share all that she learned about climate change beliefs in the USA - starting with "heck honey I sure think it's just mother nature" and what we in Europe can learn from the most oil-intensive culture on earth about the urgent changes necessary if we are to respond to the climate change challenge.

Friday 11 April 7.00pm

B.I.K.E: THE MOVIE

Directors Jacob Sepitmus and Anthony Howard create a gritty, conceptually dichotomous and visually stylistic film with B.I.K.E.

The film is a depiction of the Brooklyn chapter of the Black Label Bike Club, a fringe network of tall bike jousters that combine and justify their medieval inspired competitions with environmentalist and anti-consumerist rhetoric and politically radical ideals.

Taking place in the context of the 2004 Republican National

Convention, B.I.K.E. is a riveting look into the ways in which identity is important for a collective of fiercely independent people.

It is hoped that this will be the Duke's & Lancaster's first pedal powered film - so come prepared!

The system has been developed by Dr Martin Burbidge, a local electronic and radio frequency research consultant. The demonstration will be accompanied by a brief presentation explaining key features and motivations for the system.

Monday 14th April 2- 4pm

Children's Cycle Workshop

Come along and find out about how fun cycling can be and take part in two different but interesting and fun activities.

Suggested ages 7 - 11 (children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult)

Make your own dustcap! Children will have an opportunity to design and make their own unique dustcap! The dustcaps will be posted after the session as they need to be baked.

Maintenance class with Dr Bike

Cycling is fun but it's important that children can recognise when their bicycle isn't working and be able to carry out basic and routine maintenance. Come along and let Dr Bike show you how to fix your own bike.

BOOK Tickets

Tickets for Auditorium events £5.00 (concessions £4.00)

Box Office (10am-8pm, Mon - Sat): 0845 344 0642

Text message: 07817 212282 / Textphone: 01524 380062 / 24-hr Information Line: 01524 598501

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In person at the Dukes, Moor Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1QE