

23rd September to 14th October

Central Cinema





General release and local films plus archive footage of Fakenham

Welcome to the second Fakenham Film Festival

Celebrate film, community, and creativity with us in the heart of Fakenham. Each evening brings a mix of cinematic experiences – from general release feature films made in Norfolk, to fascinating local archive footage and films showcasing Fakenham's very own events.

Festival Highlights:

- Feature films made in Norfolk
- Historic local footage from the archives
- Fakenham events captured on film, starring local people
- Independent films with live Q&A sessions
- Competition screenings and results
- Our glamorous Red-Carpet Awards Night





Each evening will feature a short film showcasing an Active Fakenham event.

Short local films

All performances only £5
Advance tickets
www.activefakenham.org.uk

TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER - 7PM

Stardust (2007)

A magical fantasy adventure, with key scenes filmed on Elm Hill in Norwich. Featuring Charlie Cox, Claire Danes, Michelle Pfeiffer, Mark Strong, Jason Flemyng.

Short Films:

S.I. Superficial Intelligence

Award-winning sci-fi exploring the challenges of Artificial Intelligence, created by students from Burnham Market Primary School.

Film from the Fakenham archives.

TUESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER - 7PM

Shakespeare in Love (1998)

Romantic comedy with memorable scenes shot at Holkham Beach. Featuring Joseph Fiennes, Gwyneth Paltrow, Geoffrey Rush, Tom Wilkinson, Judi Dench.

Short films:

Fakenham UKES – A heart-warming documentary about the Fakenham UKES Club.

Film from the Fakenham archives.





TUESDAY 7 OCTOBER - 7PM

Yesterday (2019)

A feel-good musical journey, filmed in Norfolk locations. Featuring Himesh Patel, Lily James, Sophia Di Martino, Ellise Chappell, Meera Syal.

Short Films:

The Fakenham Museum of Gas and Local History

A unique new work by producer Chris Richmond.

Active Fakenham — Summer of Festivals

A vibrant look at the summer's festivals in and around Fakenham.

Followed by an interview and Q&A session with Chris Richmond and Ash Williams, who has been filming local events in Fakenham through 2025.

TUESDAY 14 OCTOBER - 7PM

Alan Partridge: Alpha Papa (2013)

Comedy favourite filmed across Norwich, Sheringham, Cromer, and more. Featuring Steve Coogan, Colm Meaney, Felicity Montagu, Simon Greenall, Anna Maxwell Martin.

Short Film: Film from the Fakenham archives.



WEDNESDAY 8 OCTOBER - 7PM

Independent Feature and Short Film Presentation

An evening dedicated to original storytelling from independent creators, followed by an engaging O&A session with the filmmakers.

10 Swords and the Moon

When Kal meets Molly, it feels like love at first sight... until he suspects it's grief that binds them. A moving feature-length drama, written and directed by Fenella Greenfield. Featuring Martina Laird, Bridgitta Roy, Lewis Shepherd, Pena Iiyambo, Seth Somers, Hannah Morley, Paul Bassett.

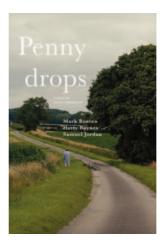
Short Film: Penny Drops

An award-nominated short by local filmmaker Louis Shergold. A bitter-sweet story of a man spending one last weekend away with the one he loves the most. Featuring Mark Benton, Hetty Baynes, Samuel Jordan.

Special Event:

After the screenings, both filmmakers will join the audience for a lively Q&A session.





Fenella Greenfield



Louis Shergold

SATURDAY 11 OCTOBER - 7PM

RED CARPET AWARDS EVENING WITH RECEPTION FROM 6PM

Celebrate Norfolk's brightest filmmaking talent at our most glamorous night of the year.

Short Film Competition Awards Night -

Step into the spotlight for a celebration of bold ideas, fresh voices, and outstanding storytelling from across Norfolk.

EVENING HIGHLIGHTS:

Red Carpet Welcome – A glamorous start to the night. Dress up to have your photo taken on the red carpet.

Screenings – Watch a curated selection of the year's most impressive short films entered into the Fakenham Film Festival 2025.

Awards Presentation – Announcement of the competition winners, plus recognition for all nominees.



Ash Williams, Fakenham Film Festival Director

Experience an unforgettable night of cinema, creativity, and recognition for the next generation of inspiring local filmmakers.



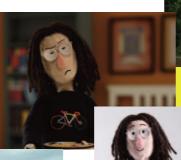




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Above
Wood to Wherry
Left
Blocked Together
Below
Isolation



A selection of stills from some of the entries for the Fakenham Film Festival Short Film competition. More information about these and other entries can be found on activefakenham.org.uk







Community through festivals 2025

Active Fakenham is a small but passionate community group dedicated to organising inclusive events for people of all ages and abilities. Our mission is to offer free or low-cost activities, themed around well-being, that bring people together, encourage participation, and celebrate the spirit of our town. In 2025, we are proud to have organised five festivals:

- Fakenham Arts Festival 2025
- Fakenham Film Festival 2025
- Easter Sunday Runday, Festival of Running
- Festival of Two Wheels, Ride North Norfolk
- Riverside Festival with duck races and cardboard raft races!

Each event is designed to be welcoming, affordable, and packed with fun, fostering a stronger and more connected community.

We are deeply grateful for the generous support of local residents, businesses, and organisations. In particular, we thank the sponsors of the 2025 Fakenham Film Festival.

If you'd like to support or sponsor one of our 2026 events, please get in touch at richard@activefakenham.org.uk

Together, we can keep the fun and community spirit alive!







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