

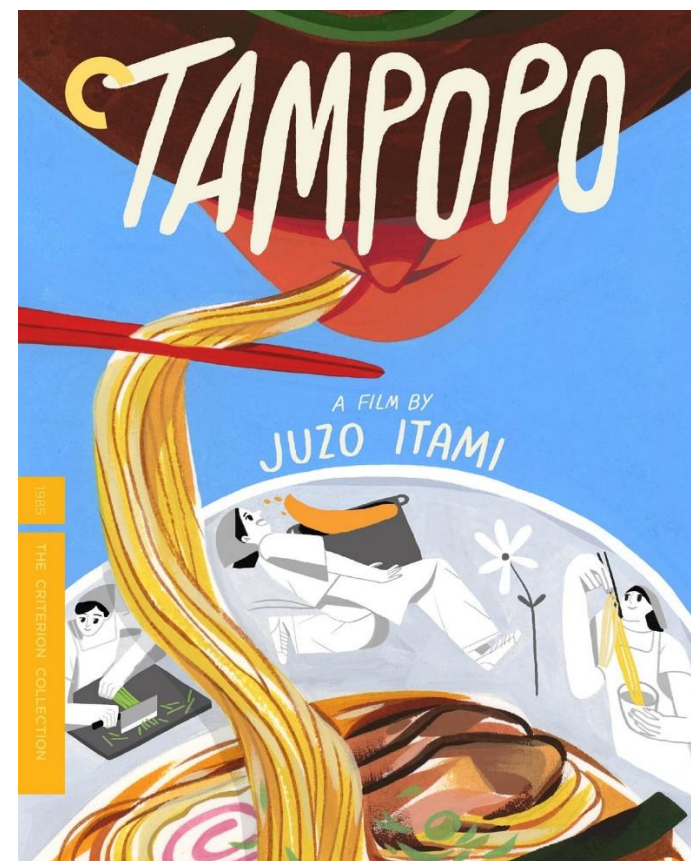
Films for screening March - May 2023

Date	Title	Description
10 May	Tampopo (15A certificate)	Japanese comedy. A truck driver stops at a family-run noodle shop and decides to help its fledgling business. The main narrative is interspersed with stories involving food on several levels.
14 June	The Father (12A certificate)	An elderly man sliding into the confusion of dementia must navigate a fractured reality where nothing is certain or quite as it seems.
12 July	The Purple Rose of Cairo (PG certificate)	A waitress searching for an escape from her dreary life gets more than she bargained for when the heartthrob actor from a popular film steps out of the screen and into her life.

Doors will open at 7pm and screening starts at 7.30pm



Wednesday 10 May 2023



Tampopo

In what has been called the first 'ramen western', trucker Goro and his sidekick Gun roll into town, pulling up outside a decrepit roadside ramen noodle shop. They meet the widowed owner, Tampopo, and when circumstances conspire to keep them together, they set out to transform the noodle shop through diligently perfecting the art of noodle making. Through mostly fair means and occasionally the odd trick, they gradually unearth the secrets of their competitors, overcoming personal and professional challenges to eventually triumph – in noodles as well as life. Interspersed are several vignettes illustrating the centrality of food to our emotional lives, combining with the tropes and stereotypes of American movie-making to create a bawdy and beautiful comedy that provides a wry look at human nature and the lengths we go to in service of perfection.

Japan - 1985 - 114 minutes - 18 certificate
Japanese with English subtitles
Wednesday 10th May 2023
St John's Place, Lower Road, Lower Bemerton
Doors open 19.00
Programme starts 19.30
Entrance £6



Bemerton Film Society

In the autumn of 2010 a group of Bemerton residents decided to set up the Bemerton Film Society (BFS) as a fundraiser in support of local efforts to turn St John's Church into a community centre. The Society aimed to offer people the chance to see quality films that had in one way or other made film history. Since our first outing in December 2010 we have screened 126 feature films, covering a wide range of subjects and styles, from classic Hollywood films to modern comedies, documentaries and dramas. We have travelled in time from 1933 (Duck soup) to 2021 (Operation Mincemeat) and geographically across 3 continents.

At first we used to screen the films in St John's School, but following installation of new cinema equipment and comfortable seating in St John's Place we transferred operations there in January 2017. We can now screen blu-ray films in full HD and surround sound, thus enabling our audience to enjoy an authentic cinema experience.

To date (April 2023) BFS screenings have contributed well over £11,000 to the Bemerton Community Project, and we will continue to generate funds for that worthy cause into the foreseeable future.