

LICENSING COMMITTEE INFORMATION SHEET
25 FEBRUARY 2025

TYPE OF APPLICATION: Request to show film that has not been awarded a certificate by the BBFC

APPLICANT: Belmont Cinema

INFORMATION NOTE

The Belmont Cinema are requesting permission to show a film that has not been awarded a certificate by the BBFC at Aberdeen Art Gallery on 5 March, 7pm

All requests to show unclassified films must be considered by the Licensing Committee at one of its scheduled meetings.

Details of the screening are attached below.

DESCRIPTION

Permission to show a film that has not been awarded a certificate by the BBFC at Aberdeen Art Gallery, 5 March 2026, 7pm.

CONSULTEES

N/A

OBJECTIONS/REPRESENTATIONS

N/A

COMMITTEE GUIDELINES/POLICY

N/A

FILM CLASSIFICATION

Requesting permission to show a film that has not been awarded a certificate by the BBFC

All requests to show unclassified films must be considered by the Licensing Committee at one of its scheduled meetings. The dates that the Committee meets can be viewed on the following web page

<http://committees.aberdeencity.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeId=149>

Requests should be submitted no later than 14 days prior to the meeting at which you wish your request to be considered.

Requests should be made by a representative of the Cinema at which the films are to be shown.

Requests must include-

The running time of the film

80 minutes

A written synopsis of the film

UK-based Iranian filmmaker **Hassan Nazer** builds his clever docufiction hybrid around authentic interviews with Iranian children – with their parents’ consent – whose unguarded responses reveal their sweetly hopeful dreams for the future. His tale, which nods to the Iranian New Wave, follows an unnamed exiled director (**Behrouz Sebt Rasoul**) who returns to Iran and interviews the children while struggling to avoid censorship and make a film. Woven through the film is a subplot about the marital strife of the director’s assistant (**Setareh Fakhari**). A radical act of protest that offers an insight into the aspirations of the next generation of Iranians.

[Without Permission \(2025\) - IMDb](#)

Content notes:

One scene of moderate psychological and physical threat as per BBFC guidelines for a 12/12A rated film.

Access notes:

English subtitles throughout.

A suggested age limit for the intended audience

12A

A link to any legitimate internet site where the film is available to view or a DVD of the film

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1noarPSgMFxnjK1O38laaQQk_s2MZ2seX/view?usp=share_link

The date(s) it is intended to show the film and the venue(s)

5th of March 2026, 7pm, Aberdeen Art Gallery

Your synopsis should include reference to the general and specific classification considerations as outlined in the BBFC Guidelines.