

# HORSE + BAMBOO



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Cover Image : Snug & Grub by Garlic Theatre (Mon 8 April)

## Winding into Summer!

Come down to Horse + Bamboo for an array of events. We have been busy curating a line up that will amaze young and old!

This season, Horse + Bamboo is delighted to host Indigo Giant, a drama aimed more at teenage and adult audiences - alongside our usual busy programme of family theatre. Indigo Giant is a gripping, new production inspired by Dinabandhu Mitra's trail-blazing Indigo Mirror, coming on tour to Rossendale for three nights only. This one is definitely not to be missed!

Look out for our Waterfoot Wakes' festival announcements coming soon in 2024 - and get the date saved now, Parade Day is Saturday 13th July.



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## Venue Information



Our venue is wheelchair + pushchair friendly.



Free road parking is available in front + behind the venue.

## Key



Craft activity - We open an hour before family shows for craft activities



Deaf-friendly performance



The production is supported by the Big Imaginations Network

# Waterfoot WAKES

12-21  
July 24

PROCESSION,  
THEATRE, MUSIC,  
FILM, WORKSHOPS  
& MORE!

## A Holiday at Home







## Make Some Noise

DOMMY B

Sunday 21 January

SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM | £8.50/£6.50\*

Dommy B shares a surprising story about growing up, finding a brilliant (but naughty) imaginary friend, becoming 'Junk the Punk' and joining a great school band (Whizzkid and the Veggie Burgers)!

There'll be rhymes, jokes and lots of opportunity to make some noise in a celebration of the power of sound and friendship.

Duration : 50 minutes  
Ages : 5+ years



## The Little Prince

LYNGO THEATRE

Sunday 11 February

SHOW 11AM, CRAFT 10AM

SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM | £8.50/£6.50\*

Based on one of the best-selling children's books of all time, Lyngo & Norwich Puppet Theatre's new adaptation tells the story of the boy who fell to earth through mesmerising puppetry and beautiful songs.

A tale told from the stars: love, life and real happiness.

Duration : 60 minutes | Ages : 5+



## Snug & Grub Catch a Bug

GARLIC THEATRE

Monday 8 April

SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM | £8.50/£6.50\*

An inventive, funny puppet show about two little characters, Snug and Grub, who pop out from under a rock and see a little bug wriggling through the grass. They try and catch it and an adventure unfolds in their little organic world as they try to protect it from something hovering in the blue sky ready to swoop down.

Join Garlic Theatre for a funny, organic tale, with clowning, a host of colourful puppets, and foot tapping music!

Duration : 45 minutes | Ages 3+



## Carried by the Wind

GOOFUS THEATRE

Thursday 30 May

SHOW 11AM, CRAFT 10AM

SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM | £8.50/£6.50\*

A feather blowing in the wind, carried on and on, a strange dance, free and magical to who knows where...

Come and join Margarinee and Basket, two strolling carnival players as they hit the road and follow a beautiful feather that could lead them anywhere and everywhere.

Carried By The Wind is a playful non-verbal journey with puppetry, mask and music for all ages.

Duration : 20 minutes | Ages 4+



## Fishing for Rainbows

OLIVER SYKES

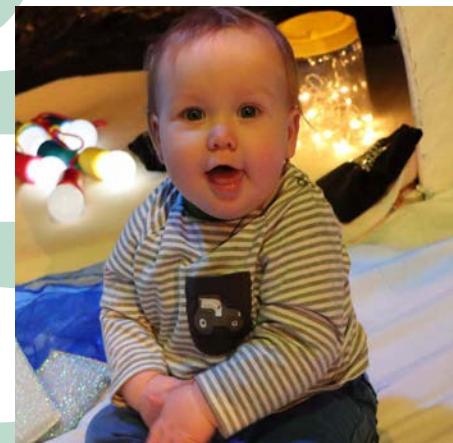
Sunday 30 June

SHOW 3PM, CRAFT 2PM | £8.50/£6.50\*

Inspired by Oliver's own experiences being raised in poverty by his single-parent dad, the show follows 12-year-old Kezia. While her brothers regularly fish with their dad, Kezia stays at home, cooking and cleaning, until one day, when she is called upon to prove what she can do with a fishing rod... What could possibly go wrong...?

Featuring fearless fishing action, surprising plot twists, compelling characters and an inspiring girl-hero, this funny and heart-warming show will reel the whole family in for an unforgettable adventure!

Duration : 55 minutes | Ages 5+



## Baby Boo Tuesdays

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Fortnightly Tuesdays

10AM - 11.30AM & 1PM - 2.30PM |

£3.50/£2 ADDITIONAL CHILDREN

Baby Boo creates a special atmosphere with lighting, sound, colours and film projections.

At Baby Boo we believe that babies and children should be given time and space to explore and play in their own way. SO come and explore with us!

Ages : 0-4

## Spring/ Summer brings a whole new line up of musical acts to Horse + Bamboo's stage

We are proud to continue to bring live music in to the theatre at Horse + Bamboo from across the globe: from Blues, Americana and acclaimed Scottish indie-folk singers, to chamber pop all the way from Australia. Check out the full line up in the middle of this brochure; there are also gigs from local bands including 'Blazing Snowmen' and Todmorden-based, 'Soma'.



### Mat Walklate & Dr Tom Attah

LIVE MUSIC IN THE THEATRE

Friday 23 February

BAR 7PM, MUSIC 8PM | £10/£8\*

Join us for a fabulous evening of music from two exceptional British blues' musicians.

Dr Tom Attah - Combining the raw power of Son House with the dense hypnotic rhythms of Howlin' Wolf and the barrel-chested roar of the old blues shouters, Tom's live shows take audiences on a journey from the Delta to the Download.

Joining Tom, is Mat Walklate, an award-winning harmonica player and vocalist.

"Traditional and Transitional, Tom is the modern, living bluesman. Taking the music from the past and carrying it into the future, Tom has stories to tell and songs to play. This is dance music, this is strong music, and this is The Living Bluesman."

Michael Limnios Blues Network



### The Brothers Gillespie

LIVE MUSIC IN THE THEATRE

Thursday 28 March

BAR 7PM, MUSIC 8PM | £14/12\*

Described by Folk Radio UK as 'weaving an especially compelling magic', and 'showing off British acoustic music in its best possible light', Northumbrian duo, The Brothers Gillespie, sing songs of great lyrical power, animated by the sound of soaring sibling harmony, inspired guitar playing and a rich array of acoustic instruments. Their songs and performances have a rare, intimate energy that is both earthy and ethereal, romantic and radical.

'Anyone who has seen the brothers live will surely attest that it is an experience that will stay with you. There is a feeling of warmth that exudes from them and affects everyone in the room' Folk London.



### Jaywalkers

LIVE MUSIC IN THE THEATRE

Friday 19 April

BAR 7PM, EVENT 8PM | £10 / £8\*

Since reaching the finals of the BBC Young Folk Awards back in 2008, Jaywalkers have toured regularly across the UK and Europe, honing their craft and releasing four albums and one EP to date, with a new album in the works for 2024.

"Jaywalkers' musicianship is truly tasty: both deft and impeccable but never soulless, while the players' togetherness and interplay are mesmerising and attention-grabbing" Folk Radio UK



### Kathryn Williams & Withered Hand

LIVE MUSIC IN THE THEATRE

Thursday 9 May

BAR 7PM, EVENT 8PM | £14 / £12\*

Kathryn Williams is a Mercury Music prize nominated English singer songwriter who has released 16 albums.

Dan Willson is Scotland's acclaimed singer songwriter, Withered Hand. He has released three albums and a number of EPs over the last 15 years and has toured internationally, amassing a devoted following while staying close to his DIY roots in the underground music scene.

### Monique Clare + Good Habits

LIVE MUSIC IN THE THEATRE

Friday 21 June

BAR 7PM, EVENT 8PM | £10 / £8\*

We're delighted to welcome back Good Habits to Horse + Bamboo, alongside Australian songwriter, Monique Clare.

Wielding a cello, Monique delivers indie-folk laced chamber pop with strikingly crafted vocals. Driving rhythms collide with intricate cello lines; heart-tugging harmonies are woven through compelling vocals.





# EVENT CALENDAR

## January

Sun 21	<b>Family Theatre : Make Some Noise</b>	3pm	£8.50	5+
Thurs 25	<b>NT Live : Dear England</b>	7pm	£15/£13	Adults

## February

Fri 2	<b>Live Music : Soma</b>	8pm	£6	Adults
Tues 6	<b>Film Club : Tish (15)</b>	7:30pm	£5.50	15
Fri 9	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	All Ages
Sun 11	<b>Family Theatre : The Little Prince</b>	11am & 3pm	£8.50/ £6.50	5+
Tues 13	<b>Family Film : Elemental (PG)</b>	3pm	£3.50	PG
Tues 13	<b>Family Film : Elemental (PG) SUBTITLED</b>	6pm	£3.50	PG
Wed 14	<b>Valentines Crafternoon</b>	11 - 3pm	Free	All Ages
Thurs 15	<b>Family Board Game Day</b>	11 - 3pm	Free	All Ages
Fri 16	<b>Open Decks</b>	7pm	Free	Adults
Tues 20	<b>Baby Boo : Musical Special</b>	10am & 1pm	£3.50	0 - 4yrs
Thurs 22	<b>NT Live : Vanya (15)</b>	7pm	£15/£13	15
Fri 23	<b>Live Music : Matt Walklate &amp; Dr Tom Attah</b>	8pm	£10 / £8*	Adults

## March

Fri 1	<b>Scottish Falsetto Socks Present : Post Office Scandal The Musical</b>	8pm	£10/£8*	Adults
Wed 6 - Fri 8	<b>Indigo Giant</b>	7:30pm	£10/£8*	14+
Tues 12	<b>Film Club : TBC</b>	7:30pm	£5.50	TBC
Fri 15	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	All Ages
Thurs 21	<b>NT Live : The Motive &amp; The Cue (15)</b>	7pm	£15/£13*	15
Fri 22	<b>Open Mic Night</b>	7:30pm	Free	Adults
Thur 28	<b>Live Music : The Brothers Gillespie</b>	8pm	£14/£12*	Adults

## April

Tues 2	<b>Film Club : TBC</b>	7:30pm	£5.50	TBC
Thurs 4	<b>Family Film : James and the Giant Peach (U)</b>	3pm	£3.50	U

Thurs 4	<b>Family Film : James and the Giant Peach (U) SUBTITLED</b>	6pm	£3.50	U
Fri 5	<b>Open Decks</b>	7pm	Free	Adults
Mon 8	<b>Family Theatre : Snug &amp; Grub Catch A Bug</b>	3pm	£8.50 / £6.50	3+yrs
Thurs 11	<b>Bugtastic Crafternoon</b>	11 - 3pm	Free	All Ages
Fri 12	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	All Ages
Thurs 18	<b>Arts Award : Festival Puppet Making (6 week After School Workshop)</b>	4pm - 5pm	£18	9 to 11 yrs
Thurs 18	<b>Arts Award : Stop Motion Animation (6 week After School Workshop)</b>	5:30pm - 6:30pm	£18	11 to 13 yrs
Fri 19	<b>Live Music : Jaywalkers</b>	8pm	£10/£8*	Adults

## May

Fri 3	<b>Horse + Bamboo's Quiz Night</b>	7:30pm	£2pp	Adults
Thurs 9	<b>Live Music : Kathryn Williams &amp; Withered Hand</b>	8pm	£14/ £12*	Adults
Fri 10	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	All Ages
Fri 17	<b>Open Decks</b>	7pm	Free	Adults
Fri 24	<b>Open Mic Night</b>	7.30pm	Free	Adults
Tues 28	<b>Baby Boo : Special Session</b>	10am & 1pm	£3.50	0 - 4yrs
Thur 30	<b>Family Theatre : Carried By the Wind</b>	11am & 3pm	£8.50 / £6.50	4+
Fri 31	<b>Live Music : The Blazing Snowmen + Jack and The Black Dog</b>	8pm	£6	Adults

## June

Tue 4	<b>Film Club : TBC</b>	7:30pm	£5.50	TBC
Fri 14	<b>Rossendale Board Games Night</b>	6pm	Free	All ages
Sun 16	<b>Waterfoot Wakes : Open Parade Making (On 16th, 23rd, 30th June &amp; 7th July)</b>	11am - 3pm	Free	All the family
Fri 21	<b>Live Music : Monique Clare + Good Habits</b>	3pm	£10 / £8*	5+
Sun 30	<b>Family Theatre : Fishing for Rainbows</b>	3pm	£8.50/ £6.50*	5+

## July

Tues 2	<b>Film Club : TBC</b>	7.30pm	£5.50	TBC
Fri 12 - Sun 21	<b>Waterfoot Wakes Festival - check back for our full festival line up!</b>	Across 10 days	Free	All Ages

Theatre | Music | Cinema | Join In

Book your tickets online at:  
horseandbamboo.org

## 'Join In' events - come and get crafty!

Like always, we have filled School holidays with lots of family activities so you can entertain the kids without breaking the bank!

Our Crafternoons are perfectly popular and keep the kids busy and crafty! There will be two different themes in Feb half term and Easter holidays!

Family Board Game Day returns this Feb half term with lots of different games to choose from for all ages!



### Crafternoon

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**Wed 14 Feb & Thurs 11 April**

CRAFT 11AM - 3PM | DROP IN SESSION

Looking for a way to entertain the children over the school holidays? Head over to us for crafting fun you can enjoy with the whole family. This February half term, we'll be celebrating Valentine's Day with our crafternoon.

The theme, part of our Easter holidays activities in April, is all things bugs & creepy crawlies!

Look out on our social media for craft reveals of what we'll be making ahead of time!

For all the family



### Family Board Game Day

CARD OR DIE

**Thursday 15 Feb**

11AM - 3PM | DROP IN SESSION

Family favourite, Board Game Day is returning! Following on from successful days in 2022 and high demand - board gaming fun with 'Cards or Die' is back! Come and check out the enormous array of board games in our cafe. There's sooo many to choose from and they'll even help teach you how to play games you may not know.

Come down any time and enjoy a few hours of family fun in our cafe.

No need to book - just turn up.

For all the family



## Waterfoot Wakes : Open Parade Making Workshops

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**Weekly Sundays - 16th, 23rd, 30th June & 7th July**

11AM - 3PM | FREE

This year's Waterfoot Wakes Parade theme is, RIVERS - and don't forget, our Parade Date is Saturday 13th July, 2024!

Whether you're an individual, family group or community group that is interested in being involved, come down and get creative with one of our resident artists who will help you to create something to wave, carry or wear on parade day! **For all the family**



### Arts Award : Festival Puppet Making

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**Thursday 18 April - 23 May**

(6 week workshop)

4PM - 5PM | £18 FOR 6 WEEKS

Following this year's theme of 'Rivers', join resident artists, Sarah & Andy, to create a giant festival puppet that will float through the streets of Waterfoot!

Is your child interested in all things puppetry, papier-mâché and painting? Then this After School 6 week workshop is for them.

The 'Arts Award Discover' workshop means your child will receive an accredited certificate at the end for their participation.

For 9 to 11 years



### Arts Award : Stop Motion Animation

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**Thursday 18 April - 23 May**

(6 week workshop)

5:30PM - 6:30PM | £18 FOR 6 WEEKS

Does your child love drawing, cartoons and animated films? If so, they will love this After School 6 week workshop!

Ever fancied making your own little piece of stop motion wonder, but were never sure where to start? Well, luckily for you, H+B's resident artist, Andy, is on hand to help you make such dreams a reality!

The 'Arts Award Explore' workshop means your child will receive an accredited certificate at the end for their participation

For 11 to 13 years



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## Open Decks MONTHLY EVENT

**Fri 16 Feb, 5 April & 17 May**  
BAR + MUSIC 7PM | FREE

Bring your vinyl and come down to sign up for half an hour to an hour set, playing YOUR music.

Open to experienced DJs and beginners. If this is your first time using decks, don't worry, we'll be on hand to help you out!

No need to sign up in advance, just come down and add your name to the chalkboard.

**Ages 16+ | Children under 16 are still welcome at this event, but they must be supervised.**



## Open Mic Night SEASONAL EVENT

**Fri 22 Mar & 24 May**  
BAR 7PM, EVENT 7:30PM | FREE

Bring an instrument, a poem - whatever your creative passion, this is the stage.

This event isn't just for performers! Come down to enjoy an extra special night of local music and creativity.

If you want a performance slot, be sure to get here from 7pm to get your name on the chalkboard. There are always plenty of available tables for those coming down to listen to the brilliant local musicians & poets we have performing at this event!

**Ages 16+ | Children under 16 are still welcome at this event, but they must be supervised.**

## Quiz Night SEASONAL EVENT

**Fri 3 May**  
BAR 6:30PM, EVENT 7:30PM | £2 PP

The mind - bending Quiz Night is back! Your gracious host, Alastair Price, is returning with more question rounds from the creative and innovative to the downright ridiculous.

Prepare your quiz teams (maximum of 6 people per table), warn your fellow contestants, and get ready for a quiz like no other!

**Ages 18+**

**Please pre book for this event - it will sell out!**



## The Scottish Falsetto Sock Presents : Post Office Scandal The Musical

ADULT THEATRE

**Fri 1 March**  
DOORS 7PM, SHOW 8PM | £10/£8\*

Post Office Scandal is the Socks' 13th new hour long comedy show, following such Edinburgh Fringe hits as Socks Do Shakespeare, Socks Do Superheroes, Eurovision Sock Contest, Boo Lingerie, The Socky Horror Show, and Minging Detectives. Their 13th brand new comedy show, all done in the best possible taste - honest! An hour of songs, sketches, socks and violence, telling the true story of the Post Office Scandal, and much, much more.

**Had every single audience member... laughing until they cried." Edinburgh Evening News**



## Indigo Giant KOMOLA COLLECTIVE | ADULT THEATRE

**Wed 6, Thurs 7 & Fri 8 March**  
DOORS 6:30PM, SHOW 7:30PM | £12/£10\*

Do you ever feel that there is something inside you? Something very old, that will come out one day.

1859. A field in Kanaipur, Bengal. Life-loving Sadhu Charan, an indigo farmer, is newly married to Kshetromani, a woman with visions of the future. At first, all is idyllic. But when the new British Planter, Rose, arrives, full of strange desires, the creeping malignancy of the indigo system begins to strangle their happiness.

The atrocities committed by British planters triggered an extraordinary revolution that changed Bengal forever.

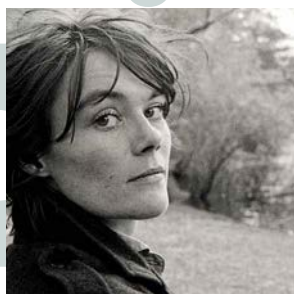
**Content warnings: Suicidal thoughts, Sexual harassment, Violence.**



## Cinema at Horse + Bamboo

Tuesday Film Club is back every first Tuesday of the month. We're delighted to be showing the documentary, Tish (15), for the first screening of '24, following the journey of a remarkable artist whose message still resonates with audiences today. Future film club titles are always announced on our website & social channels.

We're also continuing to host National Theatre Live screenings, so you can enjoy the brilliance of live theatre right here at Horse + Bamboo. Upcoming titles include Vanya and The Motive and the Cue. Look out for more coming up later in the season!



### Tish (15)

**Tues 6 February**

DOORS 6.30PM

FILM 7.30PM | £5.50

The first Horse + Bamboo Film Club title of the season, Tish, tells the story of a working-class photographer who captured the impact of Thatcherism on the north of England but is unable to escape the poverty and inequality she exposed. Narrated by Maxine Peake and Tish's daughter, Ella Murta.

**"Maybe the highest praise you could give this beautiful film is this: you suspect she would have liked it".**

Danny Leigh - Financial Times

Paul Sng | 2023 | 90min



### Elemental (PG)

**Tues 13 Feb**

CRAFT 2PM | FILM 3PM | £3.50

SUBTITLED FILM

CRAFT 5PM | FILM 6PM | £3.50

Starting off our February half term activities is new Disney Pixar film, Elemental.

In a city where fire, water, land and air residents live together, a fiery young woman and a go-with-the-flow guy discover something elemental: how much they actually have in common.

Join us one hour before each screening to enjoy free family crafts in our cafe!

Peter Sohn | 2023 | 1hr 42min



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### James and the Giant Peach (U)

**Thurs 4 April**

CRAFT 2PM | FILM 3PM | £3.50

SUBTITLED FILM

CRAFT 5PM | FILM 6PM | £3.50

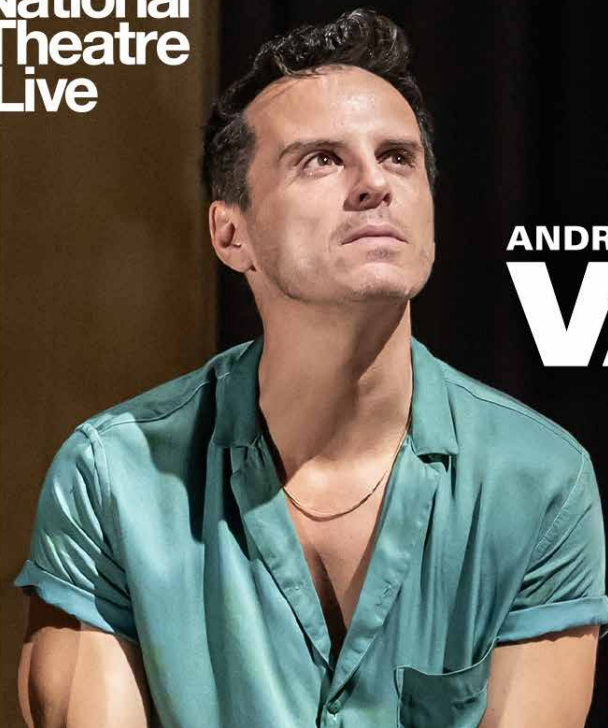
As part of our 'Bug Themed' Easter, come and enjoy this family classic in the Horse + Bamboo cinema!

James is an orphan who is sent to live with his wicked aunts. One day a strange man tells him that a marvellous thing will happen and his life will start to change. James escapes in a giant peach and his animated adventures with new friends begin.

Henry Selick | 1996 | 1hr 16min



## National Theatre Live

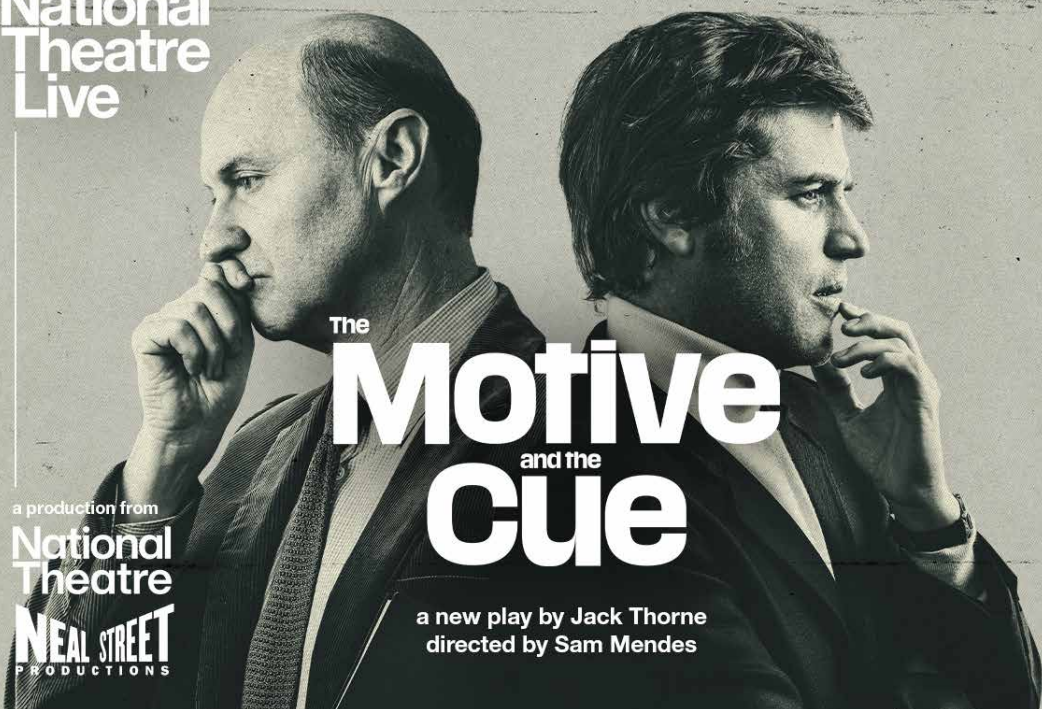


ANDREW SCOTT

**VANYA**

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## National Theatre Live



The **Motive and the Cue**

a production from  
National Theatre  
NEAL STREET  
PRODUCTIONS

a new play by Jack Thorne  
directed by Sam Mendes



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## 'Pay What You Can' tickets available

This means that you can donate any amount for your ticket. Whilst we do have ticket prices listed against all of our events - Pay What You Can tickets are available for all of our events, whether booking online or walking in. We do this so that everyone is able to attend and enjoy our events.

Regardless of what you pay to attend an event - we **ALWAYS** recommend booking in advance online wherever possible.

Book your tickets online at:

**horseandbamboo.org**

679 Bacup Rd, Waterfoot, Rossendale BB4 7HB

## Events & Party Hire

Looking for a location for your Party? We have exclusive use packages for the downstairs of our venue!

We are set up to host bands or DJs, can work with a variety of local caterers and have flexible bar options, so you really can host the party you've always dreamed of!

Suitable for up to 100 guests.

For more information please email:  
**info@horseandbamboo.org**



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