

# SUPPORTING INDEPENDENT FILM RELEASES ACROSS THE UK



Since summer 2018, Film Audience
Network (FAN) has been supporting
four New Release films each year to help
exhibitors across the UK engage with more
diverse audiences and programme more
titles that might be perceived as being
'risky' or 'too challenging'.

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# **HOW FAN SUPPORTS NEW RELEASES**

Constantly evolving to meet the demands of exhibitors, BFI FAN's New Releases support for venues is better than ever.

Regional film marketers are working on film campaigns in every Film Hub region.

You can expect increased profile and visibility in your area as well as more in-venue marketing and event opportunities.

Social media marketing budget is available for venues that screen FAN-supported titles.

All venues and festivals can pitch for additional budget for grassroots marketing or event activity.

# A BFI FAN Marketing Pack is available for all films.

Designed especially for exhibitors the pack contains event and marketing ideas, copy, images, assets, press and email outreach templates to help effectively promote the film.

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My confidence has increased and I've learned more about reaching younger audiences and about the importance of events, not just the film

**FAN** exhibitor

FAN support focuses on developing diverse audiences for independent films.

You can expect ideas and case studies on what's worked (and what hasn't!) to help with your own audience development plans.

An open submission process for the new release film titles FAN are supporting each year.

Exhibitors and distributors can submit a title to be considered for FAN support at any time.

Please email fannewreleases@watershed.co.uk for more information on how you can access support or apply to be a key venue within your Film Hub region.



FAN has been instrumental in helping us book many more cinemas than we anticipated for this title, as well as significantly boosting our grassroots marketing efforts

Chloe Abrahams, Dogwoof (Hail Satan?)

# **BOOKING NOW NEWSLETTER**

Booking Now is a monthly newsletter that is delivered to all FAN members. It includes booking opportunities for new releases as well as nationwide seasons and touring programmes.

### **Film Exhibitors**

Booking Now is delivered automatically to FAN members – if you're not a member yet, find out more about joining your nearest film hub.

bfi.org.uk/FAN

## Film Distributors & Event Programmers

If you have a concrete offer for FAN member exhibitors (e.g. talent available for Q&As, a touring programme or access to regional marketing support) Booking Now is the place to share it.

For more information, visit the website fannewreleases.co.uk or get in touch at fannewreleases@watershed.co.uk

