

Thierry Frémaux in London to present
Lumière! The Adventure Begins
and *Lumière! The Adventure Continues*
On 28 and 29 September 2026
at Ciné Lumière and Picturehouse Central



The French Institute and Picturehouse team up to welcome **Thierry Frémaux** for special screenings of his films dedicated to the Lumière Brothers, ***Lumière! The Adventure Begins*** (2016) and ***Lumière! the Adventure Continues*** (2025).

Thierry Frémaux will do introductions and post-screening discussions:

- **on 28 September** with film critic and broadcaster **Danny Leigh** at Ciné Lumière, after the screening of ***Lumière! The Adventure Continues***.
- **on 29 September** with Picturehouse's BAFTA-winning Creative Director, **Clare Binns** at **Picturehouse Central**, after the screening of ***Lumière! The Adventure Begins***.

Thierry Frémaux, the **director of the Cannes Film Festival, the Institut Lumière, and the Lumière Film Festival in Lyon**, France - the birthplace of these remarkable brothers - brings a wealth of insight, history, and revelation to this journey back to the 1890s, when the Lumière Company, with their astonishing new invention, the cinematograph, made it possible for audiences to voyage around the world in moving pictures for the first time.

As inventors of the cinematograph, Louis and August Lumière helped to define and create what we've come to know as cinema. With his expert commentary, Frémaux's films guide us through an expansive collection of restored Lumière shorts — some famous, some unseen until now – to explore how the earliest works of cinema continue to reverberate across the world of film today.

For any film lover or film worker, these events at Picturehouse and Ciné Lumière offer an opportunity to further reflect on titans of cinema past and present with Frémaux, whose work at Cannes and beyond, championing new voices and expanding viewers' horizons, has helped continue the Lumière legacy.

This event is made possible with the support of Unifrance. The screening at the French Institute is part of a series of special events marking the reopening of the newly revamped Ciné Lumière.

About Picturehouse Cinemas

Picturehouse is an award-winning UK film company incorporating cinema, distribution and home entertainment, formed in 1989 to challenge the multiplex model. Its flagship cinema Picturehouse Central is situated in the heart of London's West End, with the rest of its 25 venues located across England and Scotland.

Picturehouse's architecturally unique cinemas sit in the heart of local neighbourhoods and cater to a diverse and wide-ranging audience. They provide bespoke food and drink offerings across their cafés, bars, restaurants, and members' bars. The programme is curated to champion films made for all ages and backgrounds, from quality mainstream film through to foreign-language and documentary features, as well as live event cinema and in-person events and Q&As when available.

About Ciné Lumière

With its two screens (225 and 34 seats), Ciné Lumière is one of the landmark arthouse cinemas in London.

Particularly known for its broad programme and the promotion of French and European films, Ciné Lumière offers daily screenings of new and exclusive releases, UK premieres, classics, documentaries, family and school screenings, as well as series and retrospectives. It is also valued for on-stage debates attended by directors, actors, scholars, and film critics.

Often working in collaboration with British partners, Ciné Lumière has also established itself as a showcase for world cinema, particularly through the vast array of festivals it collaborates with, highlighting the vitality of French co-productions and attracting international audiences.

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