



DFI UK Cinema to Showcase *'The Bridge on the River Kwai'*

This Week

Doha, 18 July, 2013: DFI UK Cinema Showcase screens the seven Academy Award® winning film, *'The Bridge on the River Kwai'*, on July 25th and 27th at the Museum of Islamic Art (MIA) Auditorium.

'The Bridge on the River Kwai' is a modern masterpiece and grand movie-making at its very best. It's the story of a British colonel who co-operates to oversee his men's construction of a railway bridge for their captors, while oblivious to a plan by the allies to destroy it after settling his differences with a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp commander.

Don't miss the rare chance to watch one of the top 100 British Films rated by the British Film Institute that will take you into a captivating epic journey back to the World War II era. Get your ticket today and watch the 1958 winner of seven Academy Awards, including Best Picture, Best Director for the legendary British filmmaker David Lean, and Best Actor for Alec Guinness.

The next installment of films, brought to you by DFI UK Cinema showcase, will continue next month with Carol Reed's Academy Award® winning musical *'Oliver!'* on August 29th and 30th.

For Tickets, box office hours or any additional information, please log in to www.dohafilminstitute.com or visit the Museum of Islamic Art DFI Ticket Outlet (across from the MIA Auditorium). Tickets are priced at QAR 35 for the general public and a special discounted rate of QAR 25 for students. (Students must present a valid student ID to receive a discount. There is a maximum of two discounted tickets per person. Discounts are only available at ticket outlet locations)

DFI UK Cinema Showcase launched in February, in partnership with the British Council and the Qatar Museums Authority, to celebrate Qatar UK 2013. DFI UK Cinema Showcase brings iconic British films to audiences in Doha. The showcase will run monthly until September 2013.

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About Doha Film Institute:

Doha Film Institute (DFI) is an independent, not-for-profit cultural organisation established in 2010. It organically supports the growth of the local film community by enhancing industry knowledge, cultivating film appreciation and contributing to the development of sustainable creative industries in Qatar.

DFI's platforms include funding and production of local, regional and international films, educational programmes, film screenings, the Ajyal Film Festival for the Young and the Qumra Film Festival.

With culture, community, education and entertainment at its foundation, DFI serves as an all-encompassing film hub in Doha, as well as a resource for the region and the rest of the world.

DFI is committed to supporting Qatar's 2030 vision for the development of a knowledge-based economy.

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About Qatar UK 2013

Qatar UK 2013 is a year of events to celebrate and develop the partnership between Qatar and the United Kingdom. The year aims to increase engagement between the people of both countries in the spirit of innovation, openness and learning.

Events are taking place throughout the year in Qatar and the UK in the arts, culture, education, sport and science. Qatar Museums Authority and the British Council are coordinating the events programme, in association with several other partners.

www.qataruk2013.com

About the British Council

The British Council is the UK's organisation for cultural relations and educational opportunities. We create international opportunities for people of the UK and other countries and work to build trust between them.

We operate in 110 countries and every year we help to create some form of personal contact with the UK for 16 million people around the world. We also connect people through international visits, student exchange programmes, English language teaching, examination services and many arts and cultural events.

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