



RELAXED SCREENING

Time Bandits

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Director: Terry Gilliam

Production Company: Handmade Films

Producer: Terry Gilliam

Written by: Michael Palin, Terry Gilliam

With:

Craig Warnock

David Rappaport

Michael Palin

John Cleese

Kenny Baker

UK 1981

116 mins

Digital



+ intro and discussion

Terry Gilliam's family-friendly adventure takes us into the world of Kevin, a young boy whose disillusionment with modern life creates a fascination with knights, kings and mythology. It's a fascination that becomes reality when he is abducted by time-travelling bandits. *Time Bandits* explores the joys of finding community in unconventional places.

How many of us have wished to explore beyond our conception of space and time? Our Destination: Time Travel series of Relaxed Screenings invites you to explore new ways of thinking about time, its locations, its inhabitants, and its oddities. We will be focusing on two films that present radically different perspectives of time travel: the traditional fantasy of *Time Bandits*, and the revolutionary realism of *Run Lola Run*. Both feature alienated protagonists that embrace their divergence, as their stories defy metaphysical conventions.

In our relaxed discussions, we will investigate how living with autism can provoke a desire to escape into alternative timelines, and how these films encourage our own ways of challenging our neurotypical world. Whether this is by escaping to Ancient Greece with a band of thieving dwarves, or by running across Berlin in multiple timelines to save a loved one, these screenings and discussions will provide a comfortable space to explore and understand neurodiversity beyond the logic of time and space.

Georgia Kumari Bradburn

The post-screening discussion will be led by filmmaker Georgia Kumari Bradburn of the Neurocultures Collective and the Autism Through Cinema Podcast.

**We welcome your feedback
on this screening.**

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RUN LOLA RUN (LOLA RENNT)

+ intro and discussion

Monday 27 November 2023 18.40

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- Please leave space between yourself and other groups and retain your selected seats for the duration of the performance if possible.
- We support you wearing a face covering if you choose to do so.
- You are welcome to take refreshments into the auditorium but no hot food please.
- Doors will open 30 minutes before the screening.
- No trailers will be shown.
- The programme will be introduced.
- Our house lights will remain on a low level throughout the screening, and the volume will be turned slightly down.
- You will be able to leave the auditorium and return during the screening.
- There will be a quiet space to use if you need to leave the auditorium.
- We understand you may make some noise.
- Please ask us if you need help.