

Sol Cinema

World's smallest solar powered movie theatre

PRESS RELEASE

February 25th 2020

Mobile Cinema celebrates 10 years of performing in 2020

The Swansea based award winning mobile movie theatre, Sol Cinema celebrates it's 10th anniversary this year.

To celebrate, the founders are organising a tour of the best and diverse range of events across the UK. Glastonbury festival has just chosen the tiny performing cinema to join their line up. Their wheels will be turning in 2020 as the Sol Cinema also travels to Worcester and Devon to perform at Craft Festivals. The hugely popular Camp Bestival in Dorset has also booked the Sol Cinema to entertain their largely family orientated event.

Since 2010, the diminutive cinema has entertained more than 100,000 people at music and film festivals or community events. However Wales is currently missing out as not one single event in the nation has booked the Sol Cinema for 2020 yet.

Co-founder and Sol Cinema projectionist Paul O'Connor stated;

'Sol Cinema has performed in fields, factories, schools, city centres, on a farm and even in a Zoo. Being mobile, we can squeeze into the smallest spots and entertain with short movies and our smartly dressed experienced street performers.'

Wales largely misses out on all this. While we have performed at Greenman festival and a number of community events in Wales, we spend most of our Summer touring Yorkshire or Lancashire. We'd love to perform closer to our home in Swansea but we can't get the bookings for some reason.'

Sol Cinema has also toured abroad performing in Ireland, Croatia and Serbia.

The Sol Cinema has created by upcycling a 1972 caravan which was being used to house chickens on a small holding. Artist Jo Furlong added plush seating, LED lighting and a projector combined with surround sound to create the unique mobile venue. To boost it's environmental credentials further the cinema is powered entirely by solar energy. Power is stored in a bank of Solar Panels from 120W panel.

The Sol Cinema won a Digital Hero award for best use of sustainable technology in 2014. It also won a Network Wales award for best communication project in 2010.

Sol Cinema is currently taking bookings for 2020 and would love to hear from Welsh events.

END

NOTES TO EDITORS:

To arrange interviews contact; Paul O'Connor 07973 298359

E: solcinema@undercurrents.org

W: www.thesolcinema.org

Photographs available : thesolcinema.org/press