



THE JAZZ CENTRE

The Jazz Centre [UK] movies November 2017

Saturday November 4th

Young Man with a Horn

'Young Man with a Horn' is a film inspired by the life of jazz cornetist Bix Beiderbecke. The movie stars Kirk Douglas, Lauren Bacall, Doris Day, and Hoagy Carmichael, and was directed by Michael Curtiz.

There are excellent performances by Douglas, Day and Hoagy Carmichael, but "the unseen star of the picture is Harry James, who supplies the tingling music which flows wildly, searchingly and forlornly from Rick Martin's beloved horn. This is an instance where the soundtrack is more than a complementary force. It is the very soul of the picture." (*New York Times*).



Saturday November 11th

Bix: 'Ain't None of Them Play Like Him Yet'

A documentary in which the legendary jazz cornettist Bix Beiderbecke is brought to life with interviews and well-chosen records. It chronicles his life and career from his beginnings as a child prodigy to his death at age 28. Includes film footage, photos, and interviews with Louis Armstrong, Hoagy Carmichael, Bill Challis, Doc Cheatham, and Artie Shaw.

Beautiful to look at, the new material blending with black-and-white archive still and movie footage, places it vividly in its period.

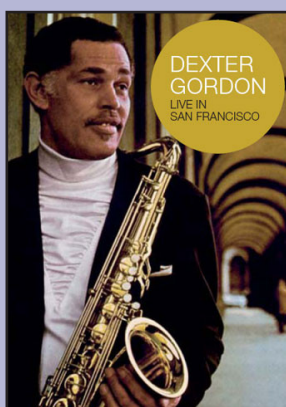


Saturday November 18th

Dexter Gordon: Live in San Francisco & Tenor Titans

Dexter Gordon started his career in the bands of Lionel Hampton, Fletcher Henderson, Louis Armstrong and Billy Eckstine. He was one of the earliest players to adopt the be-bop language to the tenor sax. Here he is showcased in the intimate setting of San Francisco's Maintenance Shop in 1979.

'Tenor Titans' features separate performances by Dexter Gordon in Copenhagen, 1969, and Ben Webster at the Marquee Club in London 1964, with Ronnie Scott and Stan Tracey.



Saturday November 25th
Cadillac Records

A thinly disguised history of the Chicago-based Chess record label. The movie wonderfully recreates the world of the urban electric blues of Muddy Waters, Little Walter, Howlin' Wolf, Willie Dixon, Etta James and Chuck Berry in the Chicago of the '50s and '60s.



All films are shown at the **Beecroft Art Gallery**
Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea SS2 6EX.

2pm Entrance free

