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1. Film and television heritage

The BFI cares for the world's richest and most significant collection of film and television. The BFI National Archive preserves almost one million titles.

2. Exhibition and distribution

BFI Southbank (previously the National Film Theatre) screens over 1,000 films a year. The BFI IMAX on London's South Bank has the largest cinema screen in the UK. The bfi also runs the annual London Film Festival as well as the London Lesbian & Gay Film Festival.

The bfi releases films in cinemas across the UK, bringing classic titles to a new generation of film-lovers. Highlights from the London Lesbian & Gay Film Festival and curated collections from the BFI National Archive are toured around the UK.

3. Publishing and products

The bfi publishes the monthly film magazine Sight & Sound, which features commentary and analysis, in-depth reviews and full credits for all new releases. It also publishes a wide range of books on film and television, including criticism, theory and history as well as popular companions to individual film titles. The bfi releases a range of films on DVD and Blu-ray, including world, silent and documentary cinema and archive television.

4. Education and research

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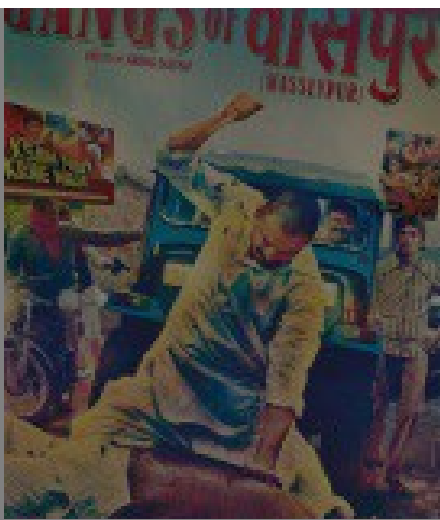
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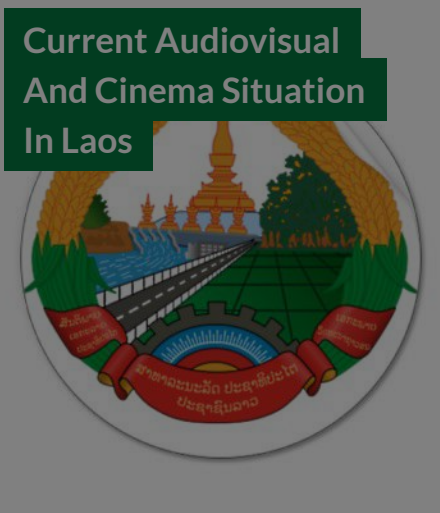
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