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**CINEMA REVIEW**

**GIRL WITH A PEARL EARRING**  
Odeon George St, Oxone Multiplex, Phoenix

Every vibrant, golden-lit scene seems to come straight from a Johannes Vermeer canvas in this charming story centering on the painter's relationship with a beguiling young servant. In this triumph for cinematography, we are transported back to 17th-century Holland to find the middle-class Vermeer family, whose lives generally revolve around flattening wealthy art patrons and sneering at their drably dressed workers.

Timid new servant Griet (Lost In Translation's Scarlett Johansson) spends her time contemplatively cleaning windows and polishing silver bowls until she creatively frustrated Vermeer (Colin Firth) begins to see her potential, soon initiating conversations about art and colour. When Griet tells him the clouds are not white but in fact "blue, yellow and grey", he realises she is just as pretentious as him beneath her dowdy peasant exterior and sets out to pass on his artistic wisdom.

Light touches of fingers and fervent glances are as far as the relationship goes physically, but eventually Griet is led to pose for a commissioned painting wearing a coloured headscarf, an earring borrowed from Vermeer's snooty wife and an evocative pot. For the sake of the family, the artist's mother-in-law (Judy Parfitt) desperately tries to keep her jealous daughter from finding out about the painting, whilst Vermeer's curly-topped brat of a daughter makes a habit of spying from every corner in order to cause trouble for Griet.

Johansson's pallid face is the real star of this movie, with lingering close-ups dictating the mood of every scene. Her eyelids alone give better performances than many of Hollywood's highest paid stars. The rest of the cast carry off their roles well, though many of the characters seem just a little too cliché in this adaptation of Tracy Chevalier's novel of the same title.

In reality very little is known of Vermeer's life, so of course it's all complete tosh, but nonetheless Girl With A Pearl Earring manages wonderful viewing so long as you can cope with the unburied pace.

William Summers

**MEETINGS & LECTURES**

**Tue 3rd**

**ANGLO-SAXON MOOTS** / Southern Knob in context - Dr Alric Pankin / OU Archaeology / 8pm - non-members £25 / 10pm - members £15 / Web: <http://www.ox.ac.uk/anglo-saxon> / Institute of Archaeology

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**Wed 4th**

**FAMILY TZORUS - A SETTLEMENT FROM THE FAIRYD CENIZA** / Petra Sigelstein, Christ Church / OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES / 8.00pm, Yarmton Manor, Yarmton, Oxford / OVS 19P, Tel: 07794478, Fax: 07794478

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**POETRY READING, JANE GRIFFITHS**, Thursday February 5, 8pm, St. Edmund Hall, Queen's Lane. Free

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**GIGS**

**Tue 3rd**

**LIVE JAZZ** / With Tom Grey Quintet, R&B DJ 10.15am - 11pm / 10pm - 11pm / 11pm - 12.15am / The Bull, 101 Cowley Road, Tel: 244516, Fax: 202457

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Until Thu 5th February

**Odeon George Street 0870 5050 007**  
BIG FISH (PG) Daily: 2.15, 5.20, 8.15  
Tim Burton fantasy  
FRECKLY FRIDAY (PG) Daily: 11.10  
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GIRL WITH A PEARL EARRING (12A) Daily: 3.15, 5.45, 8.30  
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**LORD OF THE RINGS: THE RETURN OF THE KING (12A)** Daily: 2.30, 7.15  
Contains intense battle violence and horror  
LOST IN TRANSLATION (15) Daily: 12.55, 3.25, 6.10, 8.55  
Fab new RomCom with Bill Murray & Scarlett Johansson

**SENIOR SCREEN - CLOUTIER GIRLS (12A)**  
Women's interest - unadorned  
SYLVIA (15) Daily: 10.30, 5.10, 7.45  
Pallows as the peaches  
THE LAST SAMURAI (15) Daily: 1.10, 4.30, 8.00  
Tom Cruise leads him to be a real warrior

**Phenox Cinema Picture 5125226**  
A MIGHTY MIND (12A) Daily: 3.00, 5.00, 7.10, 9.20  
Documentary about the reunion of a 60s folk trio  
GIRL WITH A PEARL EARRING (12A) Fri: 2.45, 7.00, Sat: 7.00, Sun: 2.45, 7.00 Mon: 2.45, Tue: 7.00, 9.20  
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**LOST IN TRANSLATION (15)**  
Sun: 4.45, 9.10 Mon: 12.45, 4.45, 9.10  
RomCom/Drama with Bill Murray & Scarlett Johansson

**Odeon Magdalen Street 0870 5050 007**  
COLD MOUNTAIN (15) Daily: 8.05  
Wounded Confederate soldier tries to return to sweetheart  
RUNAWAY JURY (12A) Daily: 2.30, 5.20  
Legal thriller about jury tampering based on John Grisham novel

**SCARY MOVIE 3 (15)** Daily: 2.00, 4.20, 6.40, 9.00  
Next in the spoof horror series

**Ozone Multiplex (next. Kassam Stadium, Blackbird Leys) 0870 444 30 30**  
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Ewan McGregor in Tim Burton fantasy  
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**Ultimate Picture Palace 245288**  
See venue for details  
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**THEATRE**

Until Thu 5th February

**Oxford Playhouse 305305**  
SUGAR DADDIES Tue 27 - Sat 31  
New Ayckbourn comedy E9-222

**ALL MY SONS** Wed 4 - Sat 7  
Fri: 8.00 Sat: 2.30, 7.30 Wed: 7.30 Thu: 7.30, 7.30  
Arthur Miller's demolition of the American Dream E7-12

**Burton Taylor Theatre 305305**  
KILL ME EAT ME BY JOHN BONHONN Tue 3 - Sat 7: 7.30pm  
Live is sweet for two tramps until... (granadine show) E56A

**MOOSEHOOP BY PETER HARRNESS** Tue 3 - Sat 7: 5.00pm  
A man takes his friend, a mongroose, (granadine show) E54E

**New Theatre 0870 6063500**  
TOSCA Sun 1 & Mon 2: 7.30pm  
Puccini opera, by Ellen Kent & Opera International E13-2950

**EVERYTHING** Tue 3 & Wed 4: 2.00, 5.00pm  
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