

Summer on the Roof: Open Air Films at Moscow's Garage Museum

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Love films but don't fancy being stuck indoors in this glorious weather? The Garage Museum of Contemporary Art and the Center for Documentary Film have teamed up to create a special program of al fresco film screenings for Muscovites to enjoy over the summer. The best part? It's completely free.

Screenings will be held once a month on the roof of the Garage museum situated in Gorky park. Events kick off this Thursday with the screening of "Peggy Guggenheim: Art Addict," a film that premiered at the Tribeca Film Festival in 2015. Directed by Lisa Vreeland, the documentary explores the career of socialite, collector and art patron Peggy Guggenheim.

Peggy was the niece of Solomon Guggenheim, who founded the eponymous New York museum. During her life she was a prolific collector and founded galleries in London, New York and Venice. The documentary also explores her colorful personal life — Peggy had affairs with men including Samuel Beckett and Max Ernst. In July cinephiles can enjoy the intriguing documentary "Finding Vivian Maier." A career nanny who took photos of Chicago as she walked around with the children she looked after, Maier's incredible collection of photographs were only found by chance after her death.

The program wraps up in August with documentary about one of the most important museum in the Netherlands — the Rijksmuseum. Directed by Oedke Hoogendijk, the film charters the ambitious renovation of the museum and the museum workers who fought to get the massive collection of artwork on public display.

The varied program explores one central theme — the love of art — making the Garage museum a perfect venue.

"Peggy Guggenheim: Art Addict" and "Finding Vivian Maier" will be shown in English with Russian subtitles. "The New Rijksmuseum" is shown in Dutch with Russian subtitles.

For more information go <u>here</u>.

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