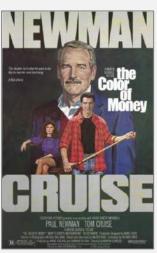


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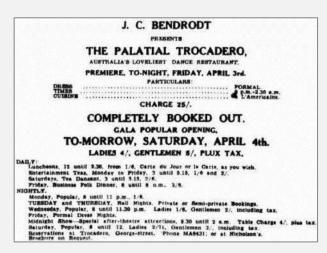
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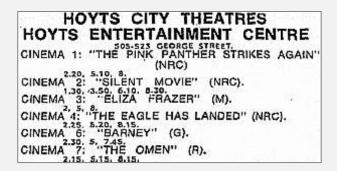
HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE





The *Hoyts Entertainment Centre* was located at 505-525 George Street Sydney and was built on the site of the Trocadero dance hall. The seven screen multiplex opened on the 16th December 1976 with *The Pink Panther Strikes Again, Silent Movie, Eliza Frazer, The Eagle Has Landed, Barney and The Omen.* The seventh screen [cinema 5] was delayed in opening due to fixtures not completed. *Cousin Cousine opened* on 22nd December 1976 in cinema 1 and the print of *The Pink Panther Strikes Again* moved into cinema 5.





The Trocadero opened on the Friday 3rd April 1936. Also known as the 'Troc', the ballroom weathered the storm of the Depression, World War 2 and the advent

of television as a popular variety and big band venue. After entertaining Sydney for 35 years, the Trocadero closed on 5th February 1971 and was demolished for construction of the Hoyts Entertainment Centre.



NOTEWORTHY: Originally the Hoyts Entertainment Centre was to include the cinemas, offices and a hotel. This building height was reduced and plans for the Cinema Centre altered due to the hotel concept not proceeding and the finding during excavation of a section from a colonial tank stream and the proximity of the railway underground branch line from Town Hall to Central.

The building alteration included a subterranean access platform below the basement car park and the inclusion of suspension blocks to minimise the verbration of the railway.

Hoyts Entertainment Centre officially opened with *The Omen* on 09/01/77 with Gregory Peck in attendance.





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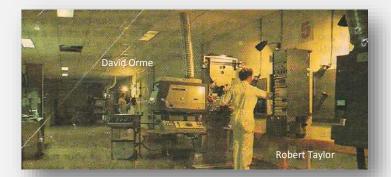
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CAPA	CITIES
CIN 1	355
CIN 2	355
CIN 3	873
CIN 4	389
CIN 5	950
CIN 6	471
CIN 7	940

TOTAL = 4333

HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE – PROJECTION CREW	OPENED – 16 th December 1976
HEAD PROJECTIONIST – Tom Omaye	Seven screens equipped for 70mm with DP75
Les Marsh	Jack Murphy
Trevor Cotton	Graeme Greenaway
Robert Taylor	Greg Rooke
Bob Hamilton	Paul Scott [Relief]
David Orme [Relief]	Eddie Vassallo [Relief]

HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

The following table are the 70mm films released at the Hoyts Entertainment Centre which was renamed the Hoyts Centre on the 25th September 1980 and then as George Street Cinemas on the 5th December 2005 ...

HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE	OPENED	CLOSED	WEEKS
Star Wars	27/10/77	01/02/79	66
Close Encounters of the Third Kind	15/03/78	20/09/78	27
Capricorn One	26/07/78	06/12/78	19
Apocalypse Now	15/11/79	16/07/80	35
Alien	05/12/79	12/03/80	14
The Muppet Movie	13/12/79	20/02/80	10
The Rose	31/01/80	17/09/80	33
The Empire Strikes Back	06/08/80	04/02/81	26
Close Encounters Special Edition	22/01/81	11/03/81	7
Oliver! – reissue first time in 70mm	30/04/81	03/06/81	5
Apocalypse Now - reissue	01/10/81	25/11/81	8
Star Wars - reissue	29/04/82	16/06/82	7
Quest for Fire	10/06/82	28/07/82	7
Rocky III	11/08/82	26/01/83	24
Annie	09/12/82	02/03/83	12
The Empire Strikes Back	05/05/83	17/08/83	15
E.T. The Extra Terrestrial - reissue	30/06/83	13/07/83	2
The Return of the Jedi	26/10/83	11/04/84	24
Star Wars Trilogy – reissue	08/07/84	05/08/84	5
Raiders of the Lost Ark	29/11/84	12/12/84	2
Amadeus	14/02/85	20/11/85	
			40
Starman	06/06/85	21/08/85	11
Lifeforce	15/08/85	18/09/85	5
Cocoon	22/08/85	18/12/85	17
Star Wars Trilogy – reissue	26/10/85	03/11/85	2
Santa Claus	05/12/85	05/02/86	9
Silverado	12/12/85	15/01/86	5
Rocky IV	19/12/85	19/03/56	13
Year of the Dragon	09/01/86	26/02/86	7
Bring on the Night	27/03/86	30/04/86	5
Amadeus PMM/Chart	17/07/86	30/07/86	2
Auto-E-Motion - BMW Short	24/07/86	24/07/86	Preview
Aliens	05/11/86	25/03/87	20
Santa Claus	27/11/86	17/12/86	3
The Last Emperor	26/11/87	17/08/88	38
Spaceballs	10/12/87	02/03/88	12
Empire of the Sun	10/03/88	20/04/88	6
Lawrence of Arabia - reissue	13/07/89	13/09/89	9
The Bear	12/10/89	28/02/90	20
U2 – Rattle and Hum plus Pink Floyd: The Wall - reissue	05/10/90	05/10/90	1 Session
Lawrence of Arabia - reissue	14/10/90	21/10/90	2 Session
Spartacus - reissue	TBC	Research not	
Edward Scissorhands	21/03/91	16/06/91	12
The Doors	30/05/91	07/08/91	10
Hook	26/03/92	16/08/92	20
Apocalypse Now [Advertised as new 70mm print]	30/04/92	22/07/92	12
Howards End	21/05/92	09/09/92	16
The Remains of the Day	24/02/94	25/05/94	13
My Fair Lady - reissue	24/02/95	Research not	•
Hamlet	22/05/97	Research not	
Titanic	18/12/97	Research not	
The Hateful Eight	14/01/16	03/02/16	3



Longest Season 70mm



Longest Season 35mm



First 70mm Trilogy presentation



Sixteen auditorium Digital Cinema world premiere

The longest season film in 70mm at the Hoyts Entertainment Centre was *Star Wars* which opened 27th October 1977 and ran for a 66 week season. The longest season film in 35mm was *Crocodile Dundee* which premiered on 23rd April 1986 and ran for a 74 week season. In addition to the 70mm event of the Star Wars trilogy, George Street cinemas presented the sixteen [16] screen world premiere in Digital Cinema of *Australia* on the 18th November 2008.

1986	VILLAGE	GREATER UNION	HOYTS	GREATER UNION
1980	CINEMA CITY	PITT CENTRE	ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE	CENTRE ON GEORGE STREET
02/01/86	European Vacation		Legend History Aussie Surfing	
09/01/86	That Was Than This Is Now		Year of the Dragon D.A.R.Y.L	
16/01/86	Goonies – move over	Summer Rental	Commando	
23/01/86				
30/01/86				
06/02/86	Revolution Prizzis Honor – m/o	Plenty	Marie	
12/02/06	Letters to Brezhnev – move over		Jagged Edge	
13/02/86 20/02/86	Remo		Witness – move over White Nigh Agnes of God	ts
27/02/86			Invasion USA	
06/03/86	House	Young Sherlock Holmes – m/o	The Jewel of the Nile	
13/03/86	Black Moon Rising	Toding Stierlock Hollines Hijo	Murphy's Romance	
20/03/86	Black Wooli Haling		To Live and Die in LA More Things Char	ge ge
27/03/86		Down and Out in Beverly Hills	Bring on the Night Enemy Min	
03/04/86	Wild Cats Godzilla 1985		When Father Was Away on Busine	
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	The Clan of the Cave Bear			
10/04/86			A Nightmare on Elm Street 2	
17/04/86	Power Clue		The Delta Force	
24/04/86		Pretty In Pink	Crocodile Dundee Iron Eagle	
01/05/86	Spies Like Us – move over	The Money Pit	King Solomon's Mines	
	Absolute Beginners	Frog Dreaming	Once Bitten Real Genius	
	91/2 Weeks	The Black Cauldron	Dot & Keeto Young Blood	
08/05/86				
15/05/86			Just One of the Guys	
22/05/86	Hannah and Her Sisters	For Love Alone	Death Wish 3	
29/05/86			La Cage Aux Folles 3	
05/06/86	The Color Purple		Wise Guys	
12/05/05	Police Academy 3	D 6111	Runaway Train	
12/06/86		Dream Child	Biggles American Nin	ja l
19/06/86		Fantasia	Violets Are Blue FX Bad Guys	
26/06/86			Target Fortress	
03/07/86	Short Circuit	A Room With a View	raiget Fortiess	
10/07/86	Short circuit	Working Class Man	L'Amour En Douce	
17/07/86		Highlander	The Trip to Bountiful	
17/07/00		Out of Africa – move over	Amadeus	
24/07/86	Cobra	out or mined move over	Fire and Ice My Chaffeur	
, , , , , ,			BMW Short	
31/07/86			The Karate Kid Part 2	Top Gun – Lyceum
			Turtle Diary Desert Hearts	
07/08/86		Poltergeist 2	Re Animator 91/2 Weeks – m	/o
14/08/86			Big Trouble in Little China	ET - State
			About Last Night Raw Deal	
21/08/86	Back to School	Ferris Bullers Day Off	Ewoks Marauder Endor Better off De	
		The Jungle Book	Starchaser American Rabbit	
28/08/86				
04/09/86				
11/09/86	.,		Ran	
18/09/86	Vamp	Duthless Decels	Subway Malcolm	
25/09/86	Outand Blues	Ruthless People	A Fine Mess	
02/10/86	Oxford Blues	Legal Eagles	Critters Psycho 3 Nothing In Common	
09/10/86	After Hours – move over		3 Men and a Cradle	+
16/10/86	Take It Easy	Sweet Liberty	Murphy's Law Band on the Har	d
23/10/86	.a.c ic Eddy	Sweet Liberty	Othello Invaders From Mai	
30/10/86	Spacecamp The Fringe Dwellers		Sudden Death Out of Bound	
			Aliens Cry From the Mounta	
06/11/86			Defence of the Realm 8 Million Ways I	
06/11/86 13/11/86	One Woman or Two	Clockwise		
13/11/86	One Woman or Two At Close Range	Clockwise	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
13/11/86 20/11/86	One Woman or Two At Close Range Haunted Honeymoon		Stripper Santa Claus	Greater Union Centre on George Street
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Ascot Theatre – the 70mm equipped theatre closed on the 5th February 1986 with *Prizzis Honor* as the last attraction.

Astra Parramatta – closed on 3rd September 1986 for construction of a triple multiplex with *Top Gun* as its last attraction.

Greater Union Centre on George Street – the four screen multiplex built on the site of the Paramount and Rapallo theatres opened on the 18th December 1986 with *The Golden Child, Star Trek 4 the Voyage Home, The Great Mouse Detective* and *Dead End Drive In* as its opening attractions.



1985 No 1 Box Office

1987	VILLAGE			GREATER UNION		HOYTS		GREATER UNIC	ON
1987	CINEMA CITY			PITT CENTRE		ENTERTAINMENT	Γ CENTRE	CENTRE ON GE	ORGE STREET
01/01/87	Deadly Friend			An American Tail	Heartburn				
08/01/87	Soul Man					The Fly	Pirates	Ruthless Peopl	e
15/01/87 22/01/87						Extremities	Batman	Punning Scarce	1
30/01/87						Extremities	Datillali	Running Scared	,
05/02/87	The Morning Afte	er				Avenging Force			
12/02/87				The Assam Garde	n	Club Paradise			
19/02/87	Hannah and Her	Sisters		A Room With a V	iew	Jumping Jack Flash	Crimes of the Heart	The Color of M	oney
26/02/87	Something Wild			Children of a Less		Blue Velvet	The Hustler		
05/03/87				Platoon [Lyceum]		Peggy Sue Got M		Tough Guys	Top Gun – m/o
12/03/87 19/03/87	Just Between Frie	ends		Ruthless People -	m/a	No Mercy The Name of the Rose	The Supergrass Stand By Me	Little Shop of F	larrara
26/03/87	Gothic			Kutilless People =	- 111/0	Over the Top	Stariu by Me	Little Shop of F	1011015
02/04/87	Meatballs III – Su	ımmer	Job			Over the rop		Critical Condition	on
09/04/87	Police Academy					Night of the Creeps	Footrot Flats	The Whoopee	
						Les Patterson Sav	es the World		
16/04/87	Light of Day	Hos	siers	An American Tale	Pinocchio	Rumpelstiltskin	Modern Girls	Some Kind of V	Vonderful
22/04/07						Death of a Salesn	nan		
23/04/87 30/04/87	Dooth Doford Die	hanar		Ginger & Fred		0.4 Charing Crass	Dood Kongoroo	The Mission	m /a
07/05/87	Death Before Dis Burblar	nonor		Lady Jane		84 Charing Cross Black Widow	Road Kangaroo	The Mission – I	
14/05/87	Angel Heart			Lady Jane		Wanted Dead or	Alive	i cisonai sci vic	
21/05/87	Beyond Therapy			Twelfth Night		The Men's Club			
28/05/87	Creepshow 2			, and the second		The Bedroom Wind	ow 52 Pick Up	The Second Vic	tory
04/06/87	Lethal Weapon			Brighton Beach M	1emoirs	The Fourth Proto	col		
11/06/87						Mannequin	T		
18/06/87				Radio Days		Project X	Wild Thing	Beverly Hills Co	
25/06/87						Blind Date Morgan Stewarts	Coming Home	The Secret of N	ny Success
02/07/87	Flight of the Navi	igator		84 Charing Cross	Road – m/o	Australian Made	Thrashing		
				Some Kind of Wo					
09/07/87				Sleeping Beauty [An American Tail	– m/o		
16/07/87	Extreme Prejudio	ce	Malone	Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs			T =		
23/07/87	House 2 The Night Stalker	r		Platoon – m/o		Raising Arizona	From the Hip	Outrageous Fo	rtune
30/07/87	The Kindred					Let's Get Harry	High Tide		
06/08/87	The Believers					Rivers Edge	Duet For One		
						Gardens of Stone			
13/08/87	Those Dear Depa		Wraith	Tie Man		Trick or Treat	Slate Wyn and Me	Daniel of Minter	_
20/08/87	The Mission – m/ The Witches of E		k	Tin Men The Mission – m/	'o	Predator Nightmare on Elr	Street Smart	Dead of Winter	
27/00/07	Hell Camp		Fugitifs	THE WIISSION - III/	0	Manhunter	ii street s		
03/09/87	rien camp	200	. адлено	Betty Blue		Assassination	Roxanne	The Untouchab	oles
10/09/87	Prom Night 2					The Lighthorsem	en	Dragnet	Platoon – m/o
17/09/87	Lionheart					The Gate			
24/09/87	Robocop			Hope and Glory		Masters of the Unive		Amazing Storie	S
01/10/87	Ernest Goes To C	amp		The Rescuers		Running From the	e Guns		
08/10/87	Explode			No Way Out		Ground Zero			
15/10/87	Making Mr Right			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		The Year My Voic	e Broke	Full Metal Jack	et
						Nadine	Evil Dead 2		
22/10/87	Hellraiser			Jean De Florette		The Boss's Wife	Nobody's Fool		
29/10/87	Cherry 2000					The Big Easy	T	The Flodders	
05/11/87	Three for the Roa	ad				The Squeeze Hotel Colonial Ishstar Body Slam		Back to the Bea	ach
12/11/87 19/11/87			/an	The Living Dayligh	Body Slam				
26/11/87	Who's That Girl	Big	Shots	Manon Des Sourc		The Last Emperor			
						Hamburger Hill	Terminus		
03/12/87	Made In Heaven			The Untouchable	s – m/o	The Princess Brid	e	Jaws Revenge	A Night on the Town
						The Time Guardia			
10/12/87				Bushfire Moon [L	yceum]	Revenge of the N	erds 2	Harry and the I	Hendersons
17/12/87	Innerspace					Spaceballs		Δ Night on the	Town
24/12/87	Throw Momma F	rom th	ne Train	Benji The Hunter		Leonard Part 6 Superman IV		A Night on the Town Planes, Trains and Automobiles	
	Full Metal Jacket					The Chipmunk Ac	lventure		
31/12/87	Can't Buy Me Lov					Barfly		Fatal Attraction	ı

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LYCEUM THEATRE closed on the 22nd July with *Platoon* and a 70mm reissue of *Sleeping Beauty* and remained dark until the release of *Bushfire Moon* on the 10th December 1987. Also in 1987 Greater Union Mosman [site of the Classic Mosman] opened on 25th September with *Hope and Glory*, Greater Union three screen Parramatta [site of the Astra Parramatta] opened on 17th December with two screens showing *Harry and the Hendersons* and *Bushfire Moon* [the third screen opened on the 26th December] and Hoyts Eastgardens six screen multiplex opened on the 17th December1987.



1000	VILLAGE	GREATER UNION	HOYTS CENTRE	GREATER UNION GEORGE STREET
1988	CINEMA CITY	PITT CENTRE	[aka Hoyts Entertainment Centre]	CINEMAS
31/12/87			The Year My Voice Broke	
07/01/88		Bushfire Moon – m/o	Dirty Dancing	Summer School
14/01/88			The Pick Up Artist	
21/01/88		Flowers in the Attic		
28/01/88	The Running Man		The Principle	
04/02/88	Maid to Order		Surrender	Three Men and a Baby
11/02/88			Shy People	
18/02/88	Russkies	Cry Freedom	Weeds Suspect	Stakeout
	T		Rita, Sue and Bob Too	
25/02/88	Nuts Name		Wall Street Orphans	
03/03/88	Nightflyers			
10/03/88		Moonstruck	Empire of the Sun	
			Warm Nights on a Slow Moving Train	
17/03/88	The Couch Trip		Hiding Out Slam Dance	Overboard
24/03/88	Ironweed		The Man From Snowy River 2	
			Broadcast News	
31/03/88	Police Academy 5	101 Dalmations	Vice Versa Teen wolf Too	*batteries not included
1- 1			Footrot Flats: The Dog's Tale	
07/04/88			Less Than Zero	
14/04/88	The Woo Woo Kid		Someone to Watch Over Me	Hello Again
			Backstage	
21/04/88		The Dead	Baby Boom White Mischief	Good Moring Vietnam
28/04/88	He's My Girl Hope and Glory		Shame	Raw
05/05/88	18 Again		Hot Pursuit	
12/05/88	Best Seller		Cop Saigon	Cry Freedom – m/o
19/05/88		Au Revoir Les Enfants	Crocodile Dundee 2 Silent Voice	
26/05/88				Masquerade
02/06/88	No Man's Land	The Whales of August [Lyceum]	The Stepfather	
09/06/88	Frantic Near Dead		Rikky and Pete Bad Dreams	Biloxi Blues
16/06/88	Echoes of Paradise	Wish You Were Here	Steel Dawn	Poltergeist 3
23/06/88	Rambo 3 Return of the Living Dead 2	Babette's Feast	For Keeps Satisfaction	
30/06/88	Prince: Sing O the Times	Bambi	Monster Squad Casual Sex	She's Having a Baby
07/07/88				Harry and the Hendersons
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21/07/88	Stand and Deliver Jimmy Reardon	Milagro	Switching Channels The Seventh Sign	Deadly Pursuit
20/07/00	A .:	6	- .	The Serpent and the Rainbow
28/07/88	Action Jackson	September	Tappin	
04/00/00	C-1		The Hidden plus Evil Dead 2	The Duradidia
04/08/88	Colors The Armour of Cod	A Nov. Life	The Unbearable Lightness of Being	The Presidio
11/08/88	The Armour of God	A New Life	Rent a Cop	
18/08/88	Arthur 2, On the Rocks	The Manachanian Condidate	A Prayer for the Dying Big Lights, Big City	Coming to America
25/08/88	Johnny Do Cood	The Manchurian Candidate	Little Nikita	Coming to America
01/09/88	Johnny Be Good		I Was a Teenage Vampire	Dig Business
08/09/88	Deadly Pursuit – m/o		Beetlejuice Like Father, Like Son	Big Business
15/09/88	Good Morning Vietnam – m/o	A Handful of Dust	Two Moon Junction Hairspray Vibes	The Great Outdoors
22/09/88	A Clockwork Orange Mac & Me	Belinda Bambi	Puss in Boots License to Drive	THE Great Outdoors
22/03/00	A CIOCKWOLK OTATIGE IVIAC & IVIE	Demiua Dallivi	Salsa It Couldn't Happen Here	+
29/09/88			30.30 it couldn't happen here	
06/10/88	Funny Farm	The Lonely Passion of Judith Hearne	Die Hard Breaking Loose	Midnight Run
13/10/88	Funny Farm Red Heat	Dominick and Eugene	Boulevard of Broken Dreams	The Last Temptation of Christ
20/10/88	ווכט רוכמנ	Mr North	Around the World in 80 Ways	The Last Temptation of Chilst
27/10/88	Nico	1411 1401 (11	Grievous Bodily Harm	
03/11/88	Evil Angels Bull Durham	The Last Temptation of Christ – m/o	Call Me Siesta	U2 – Rattle and Hum
10/11/88	Caddyshack 2	Maurice A Fish Called Wanda	The Big Blue Hanna's War	A Fish Called Hanna
17/11/88	Imagine: John Lennon	Madrice A Fish Called Wallud	Big Sunset	77 ISH Canca Hanna
1//11/00	magnic. John Leilion		Wall Street plus Broadcast News	
24/11/88	Running on Empty	Bird	Fright Night Part 2 Gaby	Who Framed Roger Pabhit
		DII Ü	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Who Framed Roger Rabbit Scrooged
01/12/88 08/12/88	Cocktail Pat 21	The Navigator		Scrooged
	Bat 21	Ü	Tommy Tricker and the Stamp Traveller	Willow
15/12/88		Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs (State)	Young Einstein Care Bears Adventure in Wonderland	Willow
22/12/88 29/12/88	Moonwalker	Crossing Delancy Drowning By Numbers	My Stepmother is an Alien	+
25/12/88		• /	, ,	+
	Beetlejuice – m/o The New Adventures of Pippi Longstocking	A World Apart	Escape World Safari III	
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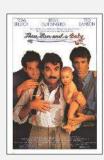
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Lyceum Theatre – which was dark from the 7th January 1988 after the season of **Bushfire Moon**, ran a short engagement of **The Whales of August** from the 3rd June 1988.

Hoyts Warrawong – the six screen multiplex opened on the 3rd November 1988.

 $\mbox{ Village Cinema City} - \mbox{a sixth screen opened on the $3^{\rm rd}$ November 1988 with $\textit{Evil Angels}$.}$

Regent Theatre, Sydney – demolition commenced in December 1988 of the Regent Theatre which had showcased *The Robe* in CinemaScope on the 10th December 1953.



DNEMAX CITY	1989	VILLAGE	GREATER UNION	HOYTS CENTRE	GREATER UNION GEORGE STREET
13901/88 September Septe		CINEMA CITY	PITT CENTRE	[Hoyts Entertainment Centre]	CINEMAS [Centre on George Street]
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Batisman	16/02/89	Gorillas in the Mist	, ,	Hawks	The Navigator – m/o
Degraph The Accidental Tourist		Mississippi Burning			
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Hoyts Warringah Mall Twin – closed on Monday the 10th July 1989 for refurbishment which included the addition of five new screens. Advertised to reopen for Christmas 1989, the seven screen multiplex was delayed in construction finally opening on the 13th January 1990 with the premiere attraction *Postcards from the Edge*. The Philips DP75 projectors orginally installed in the twin cinema were replaced by Kinoton FP30 projectors with Dolby Stereo SR . The opening day attractions were managed by Neil Granger [complex manager] and Graeme Greenaway [head projectionist].



70MM BLOW UP

The table below are the 70mm blow ups presented in Sydney between 1984 and 1989 ...

FILM

The Right Stuff *

Greystoke: The Legend of Tarzan – Super Techniscope

Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom

Streets of Fire *

Gremlins *

Amadeus

2010

Starman

Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome

Lifeforce - J-D-C Scope

Cocoon *

Santa Claus – J-D-C Scope

Silverado – Super Techniscope

Young Sherlock Holmes *

Rocky IV *

Year of the Dragon - J-D-C Scope

Top Gun - Super 35

Aliens *

The Mission - J-D-C Scope

The Color of Money *

The Untouchables

The Last Emperor – Technovision

Spaceballs *

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Empire of the Sun *

Who Framed Roger Rabbit *

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The Bear

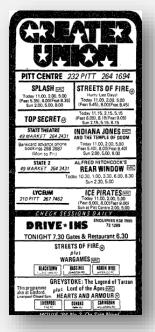
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Greater Union George Street.



The restoration in 70mm of Lawrence of Arabia opened as a Roadshow Engagement at the Hoyts Centre on the 13th July 1989 and moved over to the Greater Union Pitt Centre on the 14th September 1989.



[*] 70MM SPHERICAL ...

Included in the 70mm releases between 1984 and 1989 is *Streets of Fire* which opened at the Greater Union Pitt Centre on the 9th August 1984 and ran for a 4 week season to 5th September 1984.

Recently confirmed by projectionist Stephen
Phillips who worked at the Pitt Centre from
opening in 1976 to 1986 when Stephen was
transferred to the Centre on George Street, *Streets*of Fire was not advertised in 70mm and opened as
a Spherical blow up in the cinema 3 auditorium.

Interesting to note with the release of *Streets of Fire* how it demonstrates the limited 70mm screen availability for Greater Union at the time of the film's release. With only the State theatre and the Pitt Centre cinema 3 capable to present 70mm, explains why other Spherical and Anamorphic blow ups never opened in 70mm in Sydney.

THE RIGHT STUFF

 8^{th} March 1984 to 6^{th} June 1984 – Season 12 weeks and 6 days \checkmark



THE RIGHT STUFF was filmed in Panavision [Spherical] and opened in 70mm at the Village Cinema City.

During **THE RIGHT STUFF** season and due to print deterioration, the film was substituted with a 35mm print. Date of this substitution is unknown. The same 70mm print was later screened at the Village Sylvania.



HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE TIMELINE – 1976 to 2016

On the 16th December 2016 will be the forty year anniversary of the Hoyts Entertainment Centre opening.

To celebrate this milestone, the following 26 pages and on the bottom of each page, there is a significant timeline recording of a film release and projection plant installation.

Also recorded in these segments are notations on Greater Union George Cinemas which in short, also shares a similar recognition of the historicalness of these two multiplexes.

Thank you to Peter Williams, Edge Digital Technology, Steve Phillips and Richard Dumbrell who assisted with the project.





Richard Dumbrell presenting *Titanic* in 70mm, cinema 7 Hoyts Centre

GREYSTOKE: THE LEGEND OF TARZAN

3rd May 1984 to 6th June 1984 – Season 4 weeks and 6 days V





GREYSTOKE: THE LEGEND OF TARZAN, LORD OF THE APES was filmed in Super Techniscope and opened in 70mm at the Greater Union State theatre.

After the installation of 70mm capability into cinema 1 at the Pitt Centre, *GREYSTOKE: THE LEGEND OF TARZAN* season was moved from the State theatre to the Greater Union Pitt Centre on the 7th June 1984 for a ten week season and was transferred again to the Village Cinema City on the 16th August 1984 for a fourteen week season.

HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE TIMELINE – 16th December 1976

All seven cinemas at the Hoyts Entertainment Centre were fitted out with Philips DP75 projectors, Xebex xenon lamphouse, ST270 platters with OMA-6 optical, four track and six track magnetic sound functionality.

With the capability of 70mm presentations for all seven screens, only cinema 3, 5 & 7 had moveable side top masking.

Two of the opening seven films were presented in 4 track magnetic. These were *The Eagle Has Landed* which opened in cinema 4 and *Silent Movie* which opened in cinema 2.





INDIANA JONES AND THE TEMPLE OF DOOM

19th July 1984 to 11th December 1984 – Season 20 weeks and 6 days V





INDIANA JONES AND THE TEMPLE OF DOOM was filmed in Panavision [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Greater Union State theatre.

INDIANA JONES AND THE TEMPLE OF DOOM was moved from the State theatre to the Greater Union Pitt Centre on the 13^{th} December 1984 for a further ten week season to the 20^{th} February 1985.

HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE TIMELINE – 27th October 1977

The first Dolby processor installed at Hoyts Entertainment Centre was the CP100 into cinema 7 for the release of *Star Wars*. This installation was followed by another CP100 into cinema 3 for the release of *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* on the 16th March 1978.

Listed below are the 70mm screen sizes and projection throw in feet for cinema 3 and 7 at the Hoyts Entertainment Centre.

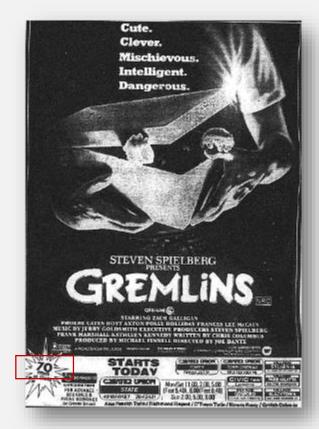
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GREMLINS

13th December 1984 to 20th March 1985 − Season 13 weeks and 6 days V





GREMLINS was filmed in Panavision [Spherical] and opened in 70mm at the Greater Union State theatre.

GREMLINS was moved from the State theatre to Village Cinema City on 21st March 1985 for a further twenty six week season to the 18th September 1985.



HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE TIMELINE – 13th July 1978

Damnation Alley opened in 35mm four track Magnetic and Sound 360 which in essence, directed the left and right information to two large speaker bins positioned left and right of the screen and the surrounds were reproduced by a single speaker bin mounted on rear wall of the auditorium.

Capricorn One opened on 26th July in cinema 5 as the first 70mm presentation in the 950 seated auditorium.

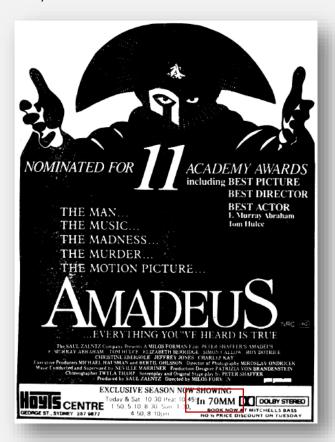
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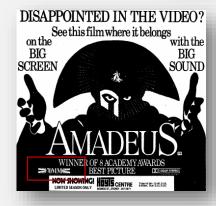




AMADEUS

14th February 1985 to 20th November 1985 – Season 39 weeks and 6 days V





AMADEUS was filmed in Panavision [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

AMADEUS was reissued at the Hoyts Centre in 70mm on the 17th July 1986 for a two [2] week season to the 30th July 1986.

HOYTS ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE TIMELINE – 15th November 1979

In addition to the CP100 sound processors, Dolby SA4 Stereo Surround decoding were installed in cinemas 3 and 7 at the time of the 70mm premiere of *Apocalypse Now* in the 873 seated cinema 3. The 70mm presentations which followed were *Alien, The Rose* and *The Empire Strikes Back* which premiered in the 940 seated Cinema 7 on 6th August 1980.

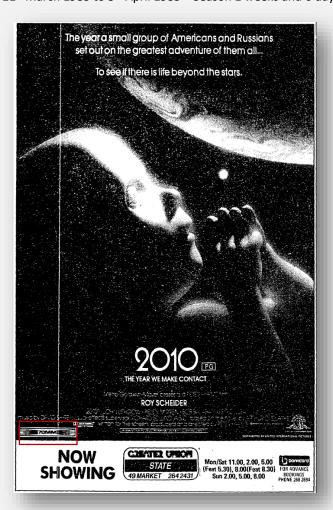
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2010: THE YEAR WE MAKE CONTACT

21st March 1985 to 3rd April 1985 − Season 1 weeks and 6 days V





2010: THE YEAR WE MAKE CONTACT was filmed in Panavision [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the State theatre.

2010: THE YEAR WE MAKE CONTACT was moved from the State theatre to Greater Union Pitt Centre on 4th April 1985 for a further nine week season to 5th June 1985.

HOYTS CENTRE TIMELINE – 25th September 1980

The Hoyts Entertainment Centre was renamed the Hoyts Centre on the 25th September 1980 due to the 1983 opening of the Sydney Entertainment Centre.

The Sydney Entertainment Centre was a multi-purpose arena located in Haymarket, Sydney, Australia. It opened in May 1983, to replace the Sydney Stadium which had been demolished in 1970 to make way for the Eastern Suburbs railway. The centre closed in December 2015 with Elton John as the final artist.



STARMAN

6th June 1985 to 21st August 1985 – Season 10 weeks and 6 days V



STARMAN was filmed in Panavision [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

STARMAN was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 11 week season.



HOYTS CENTRE

TIMELINE - 7th July 1983

Cinema 4 was commissioned on the 1st July 1983 to present the new Stereovision 3D process with *Parasite* in 3-D as the first film (supported by the feature *Saturday the 14th* in 2D Spherical at 'select sessions')

There were four films which were released in Stereovision 3D at the Hoyts Centre. Below are the film titles release dates.

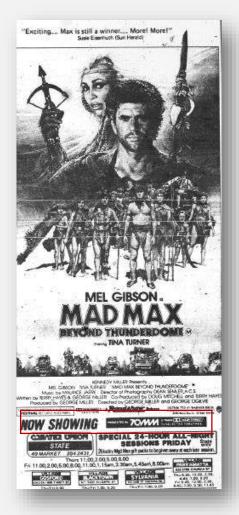
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25/08/83	Treasure of the Four Crowns	3-D
01/12/83	Spacehunter: Adventures in the Forbidden Zone	2-D
03/05/84	Metalstorm: The Destruction of Jared-Syn	3-D
31/05/84	Amityville 3-D	3-D





MAD MAX BEYOND THUNDERDOME

8th August 1985 to 6TH November 1985 – Season 12 weeks and 6 days **V**





MAD MAX BEYOND THUNDERDOME was filmed in Panavision [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the State theatre.

MAD MAX BEYOND THUNDERDOME was moved from the State theatre to Village Cinema City on the 7th November 1985 for a further thirteen week season to the 5th February 1986.



GREATER UNION PITT CENTRE TIMELINE – 9th December 1983

During the construction of the Centre on George Street, Greater Union commissioned 70mm into cinema 3 projection room at the Greater Union Pitt Centre for *Brainstorm* with *Streets of Fire* as the next 70mm presentation.

The photo courtesy of Stephen Philips is the experimental DBX unit on top of the amp rack and the Cinemeccanica film tower which was moved to Greater Union Wollongong. The Pitt Centre first Dolby Stereo presentation was the move over of *Xanadu* from the Lyceum on the 9th October 1980.



LIFEFORCE

15th August 1985 to 18th September 1985 – Season 4 weeks and 6 days **V**



LIFEFORCE was filmed in J-D-C Scope [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

LIFEFORCE was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 5 week season.



HOYTS CENTRE TIMELINE – 1st July 1984

Between January 1984 and January 1985, the three exhibitors Village, Greater Union and Hoyts reverted to feature only.

At the Hoyts Centre, the exhibitor also added in 1985 countdown clocks which were placed right of the screen so the patron could see how many minutes remained until the feature commenced. To achieve this time, after ads and trailers were changed for the new week [Thursday], the head program, as it was called, was timed and total running noted on the observation port. The projectionist would then dial in the head program time and activate the countdown button.



COCOON

22nd August 1985 to 18th December 1985 - Season 16 weeks and 6 days V



COCOON was filmed in Panavision [Spherical] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

COCOON was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 17 week season.



HOYTS CENTRE TIMELINE – 1st July 1985

During the 1985 / 86 financial year, four CP1000 with CP55 processors were commissioned into the Hoyts Centre for the functionality of Dolby Stereo in cinemas 1, 2, 4 and 6

Prior to the CP1000 commissioning, cinema 5 was equipped with a CP50 for the premiere of *The Spy Who Loved Me*.

In 1994 and 1995 with the Hoyts national roll out of Panastereo processing, DTS and Dolby Digital, the CP1000 was replaced at the Hoyts Centre. The Panastereo processor was also added to the 2000 refurbishment of Cinema 3 and 7 with the capability of DTS, Dolby Digital with EV amplifiers.



SANTA CLAUS

5th December 1985 to 5th February 1986 – Season 8 weeks and 9 days **V**



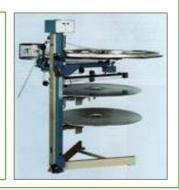


SANTA CLAUS THE MOVIE was filmed in J-D-C Scope [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre

SANTA CLAUS THE MOVIE was reissued at the Hoyts Centre on the 27th November 1986 for a three week season to the 17th December 1986.

HOYTS CENTRE TIMELINE – 7th January 1988

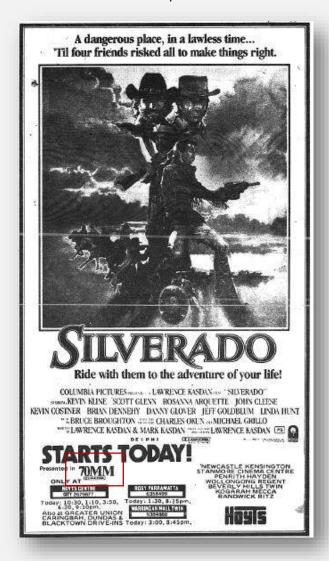
The Cinemeccanica endless loop platter was installed into cinema 5 at the Hoyts Centre during the season of *Dirty Dancing*. After numerous session disruptions, projectionists petitioned Hoyts to remove the endless loop platter and revert to the reliable Philips ST270 platter.





SILVERADO

12th December 1985 to 15th January 1986 – Season 4 weeks and 6 days V



SILVERADO was filmed in Super Techniscope and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

SILVERADO was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 5 week season.



HOYTS CENTRE TIMELINE – 10th March 1988

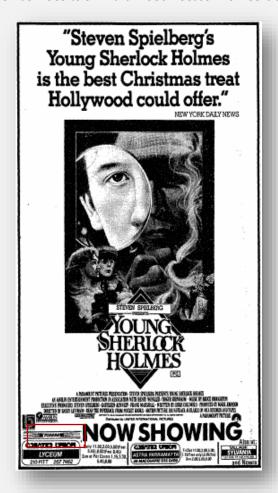
Cinema — an experience video cannot match

In 1985 Hoyts attempted to arrest the decline in cinema patronage (a consequence of the VHS video boom) by projecting all formats to the height of the fully opened 70mm screen; thus obviating the need to drop the top masking for 35mm spherical and scope films. This was achieved by employing new spherical and scope backing lenses. The first 70mm film with no top masking travel was *Empire of the Sun*.



YOUNG SHERLOCK HOLMES

19th December 1985 to 5th March 1986 – Season 10 weeks and 6 days V





YOUNG SHERLOCK HOLMES was filmed in J-D-C Scope [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Lyceum theatre.

YOUNG SHERLOCK HOLMES was moved from the Lyceum theatre to Greater Union Pitt Centre on the 6th March 1986 for a further two week season to 19th March 1986.



HOYTS CENTRE TIMELINE – 24th March 1988

The first Dolby Spectral Recording [SR] presentation at the Hoyts Centre was *The Man From Snowy River II*.

Presented in cinema 7 auditorium, the CP100 left and right noise reduction cards were removed from the CP100 with two SR cards inserted into their slot positions.

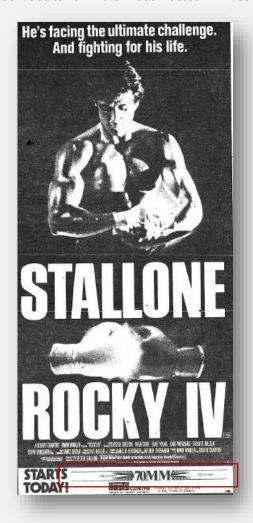






ROCKY IV

19th December 1985 to 19th March 1986 – Season 12 weeks and 6 days V



ROCKY IV was filmed in Panavision [Spherical] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

ROCKY IV was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 13 week season.

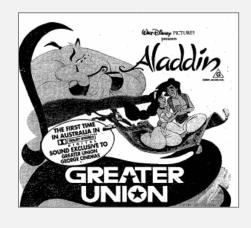


GREATER UNION GEORGE CINEMAS TIMELINE – 3rd June 1993

Aladdin opened exclusively at the Greater Union George Cinemas on the 3rd June 1993 as the first presentation in Dolby Stereo Digital [renamed Dolby Digital in 1994]

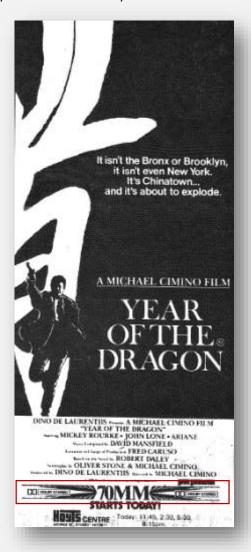
As a date reference for the reader, *Batman Returns* which was the first film to use Dolby Digital Technology in other territories, opened at the Pitt Centre on the 19th June 1992 which at this time, was not equipped for Dolby Stereo Digital.

Batman Returns did not open at Greater Union George Cinemas due to the 70mm season presentations of **Far and Away** and **Beauty and the Beast.**



YEAR OF THE DRAGON

9th January 1986 to 26th February 1986 – Season 6 weeks and 6 days V



YEAR OF THE DRAGON was filmed in J-D-C Scope [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

YEAR OF THE DRAGON was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 7 week season.



GREATER UNION GEORGE CINEMAS TIMELINE – 2nd September 1993

Following the exclusive presentation of *Aladdin* in Dolby Stereo Digital at Greater Union George Cinemas, DTS was then commissioned also for an exclusive presentation for *Jurassic Park* in DTS Digital Sound on 2nd September 1993.

The Hoyts Centre first entry into Digital Sound was Twentieth Century Fox's *Speed* in DTS on the 30th June 1994. For the season of *Speed* at the Hoyts Centre, a new sound rack was commissioned into cinema 7 auditorium with a Panastereo CSP4000 processor, Altec power amplifiers and DTS6 player. The functionality of Dolby Digital was installed in late 1994.





BRING ON THE NIGHT

27th March 1986 to 30th April 1986 – Season 4 weeks and 6 days V



BRING ON THE NIGHT was filmed in 35mm [Spherical] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

BRING ON THE NIGHT was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 5 week season.



GREATER UNION CENTRE ON GEORGE STREET TIMELINE – 18th December 1993

Greater Union Centre on George Street opened on the 18th December 1986 with *Star Trek 4: The Voyage Home, Golden Child, The Great Mouse Detective* and *Dead End Drive In.*

Centre on George Street cinema 1 and 2 was equipped with two Cinemeccanica Victoria 8 (RK60) Dual 35/70 projector, Cinemeccanica Endless Loop CNR 3 35/70 platter, Xebec 5000HN xenon lamp house and CP200 sound processing.

In 1993 cinema 3 was twinned for the season of *Wayne's World 2* [16/12/93] and a sixth screen, cinema 6 was added to the lower foyer with excavation off Kent Street in 1994.



TOP GUN

31st July 1986 to 4th March 1987 – Season 30 weeks and 6 days V





TOP GUN was filmed in Super 35 and opened in 70mm at the Lyceum theatre.

TOP GUN was moved from the Lyceum theatre to Greater Union Centre on George Street on the 5th March 1987 for a further twenty two week season to the 5th August 1987.



HOYTS CENTRE

TIMELINE – 1st December 1994

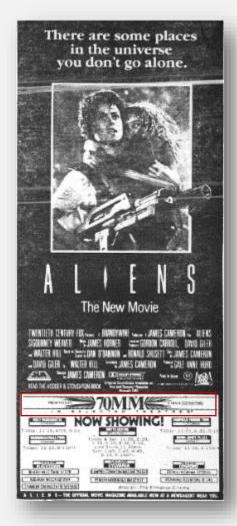
The third Digital Sound format, SDDS [Sony Dynamic Digital Sound] opened exclusively with *Mary Shelley's Frankenstein* in cinema 3 at the Hoyts Centre on 1st December 1994. Other territories first film in SDDS was *Last Action Hero* which opened in optical at Hoyts Centre on 16th September 1993.

Between 1994 and 1995, the Hoyts Sydney circuit were upgraded with Panastereo processors which included relocation of the SDDS unit from the Hoyts Centre to cinema 3 auditorium at the new eight screen Hoyts Mandarin Chatswood multiplex which opened in December 1995.



ALIENS

5th November 1986 to 25th March 1987 – Season 19 weeks and 6 days V



ALIENS was filmed in 35mm [Spherical] and previewed in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

ALIENS was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 20 week season.

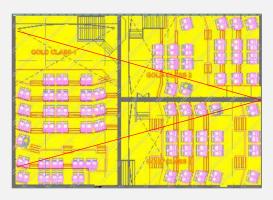


HOYTS CENTRE TIMELINE – 1st July 2000

After the closure of Village Cinema City, Village and Hoyts entered into a joint venture of the Hoyts Centre with the original Cinema 3 and 7 Hoyts Entertainment Centre rebuilt into six auditoriums by dividing each auditoria in half and placing a third cinema in area of the stage.

When the rebuild was completed, the Hoyts Centre became an eleven screen multiplex with Village Cinemas gaining control on 5 screens and Hoyts Corporation 6 screens.

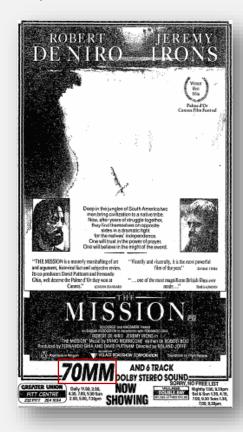
I	HOYTS	CIN 1	CIN 2	CIN 3	CIN 4	CIN 5
	CIN 6	CIN 7	CIN 8	CIN 9	CIN 10	CIN 11

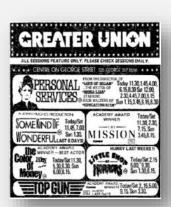


Above is the original Cinema 3 Hoyts Entertainment Centre with the Gold Class refurbishment [aka 2008]

THE MISSION

4th December 1986 to 29th April 1987 – Season 20 weeks and 6 days **V**





THE MISSION was filmed in J-D-C Scope [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Greater Union Pitt Centre.

THE MISSION was moved from the Pitt Centre to Greater Union Centre on George Street on the 30th April 1987 for a further sixteen week season to the 19th August 1987.



Please Note: The ORG column on the right shows the original cinema number when the Centre on George Street and Hoyts Entertainment Centre opened.

GEORGE STREET CINEMAS TIMELINE – 1st July 2002

After the Village and Hoyts joint venture, Greater Union merged with the Hoyts Centre with two break through tunnels built between the adjoining buildings on Level 2 between cinemas 1 and 2 and Level 4 on the western wall.

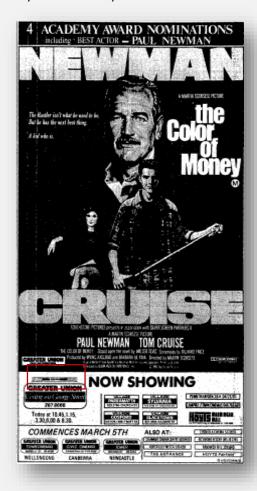
During the rebuild of the Hoyts Centre. The original cinema 3 and 7 DP75 projectors were removed. In their place for the six auditoria were four Christie projectors and two upgraded DP75 from Melbourne. Renamed George Street Cinemas, the seventeen screen multiplex was operated by Hoyts up to the 4th December 2005 when Greater Union then gained control.

	ORG	VILLAGE	GU	PRESENT
	1	1	3	VM 1
	2	2	4	VM 2
GU	3	3	5	10
GU	1	4	6	11
	4	5	7	12
		6	8	Demolished
	1	1	1	8
	2	2	2	9
	3	9	16	GC 1
	-	10	17	GC 2
	-	11	18	GC 3
HOYTS	4	3	9	3
	5	4	10	4
	6	5	11	5
	7	6	12	6
	-	7	14	7
	-	8	15	GC 4

The VILLAGE column are the cinema numbers when cinema 3 in the GU building was twinned in 1993, the addition of cinema 6 in the GU building lower level foyer in 1994 and the Hoyts Centre merger with Village Cinemas. The GU column are the cinema numbers when the Hoyts Centre and GU George Street merged to became one multiplex and the PRESENT column are the current cinema numbers which includes Gold Class and Vmax.

THE COLOR OF MONEY

19th February 1987 to 1st July 1987 − Season 18 weeks and 6 days **V**



THE COLOR OF MONEY was filmed in 35mm [Spherical] and opened in 70mm at the Centre on George Street.

THE COLOR OF MONEY was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 19 week season.



GEORGE STREET CINEMAS TIMELINE – 28th August 2003

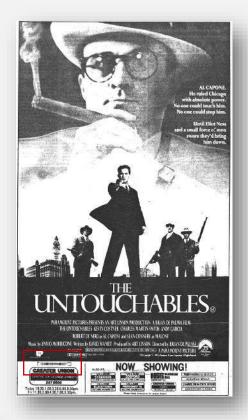
After the merger of the Hoyts Centre and the Greater Union George Street multiplex, *Finding Nemo* was the first Digital Cinema [2D] presentation projected from cinema 4 [the original cinema 2 Centre on George Street auditorium].

Projection was a Christie counsel xenon lamphouse with a Christie 1.3K DCP-H projector head and DCP content was loaded onto an Avica filmstore DELL server with audio processed through the Dolby CP200. During the season of *Finding Nemo*, a 35mm print of the film ran as a backup in the event of a disruption to the Digital Cinema presentation.



THE UNTOUCHABLES

2nd September 1987 to 2nd December 1987 – Season 12 weeks and 6 days V





THE UNTOUCHABLES was filmed in Panavision [anamorphic] and previewed in 70mm at the Centre on George Street.

THE UNTOUCHABLES was moved from the Greater Union Centre on George Street to the Greater Union Pitt Centre on the 3rd December 1987 for a further fourteen week season to the 9th March 1988.



GREATER UNION GEORGE STREET TIMELINE – 5th December 2005

A significant date with the history of the Hoyts Centre and Greater Union George Street is when the two multiplex buildings then operated by Hoyts, closed for business on Sunday evening on the 4th December 2005 and reopened the following morning as Greater Union multiplex.





THE LAST EMPEROR

26th November 1987 to 17th August 1988 – Season 37 weeks and 6 days **V**



THE LAST EMPEROR was filmed in Technovision [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

THE LAST EMPEROR was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 38 week season.



HOYTS CENTRE

TIMELINE – DCI Certification September 2006

The Barco DP100 and Kodak JMN3000 server was commissioned into George Street cinemas after Greater Union had taken control on the seventeen screen multiplex.

Installed into cinema 9 [original cinema 4 of the Hoyts Entertainment Centre], the installation required the relocation of the Pennywise automation console to below the projector observation port and the Barco Real D pedestal placed in the position of the slide port.

The first 3D film was *Monster House* on 14th September 2006.



SPACEBALLS

10th December 1987 to 2nd March 1988 − Season 10 weeks and 6 days **V**



SPACEBALLS was filmed in Panavision [Spherical] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

SPACEBALLS was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 11 week season.



GREATER UNION GEORGE STREET TIMELINE – 3rd April 2008

In 2008 over 33 consecutive weeks, 12317 public sessions and 126 Digital Cinema Print [DCP] ingestions, George Street was the cinema in Australia for the Digital Cinema trial.

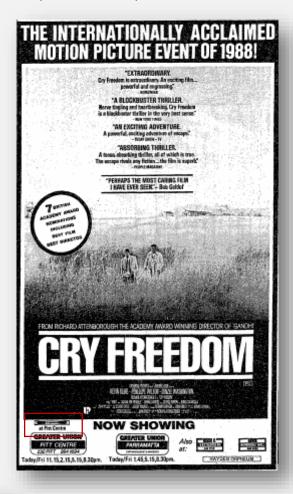
The first DCP ingestion and public screening was Paramount Pictures *The Spiderwick Chronicles* on the 3rd April on the Sony SRX-R220 projector. The last DCP ingestion and screening was Twentieth Century Fox premiere of *Australia* on the 18th November when all projector manufacturers Barco, Christie, Cinemeccanica, NEC, Sony and server Dolby, DOREMI, Kodak and Sony were used to present the premiere.





CRY FREEDOM

17th February 1988 to 11th May 1988 – Season 10 weeks and 6 days V





CRY FREEDOM was filmed in Super 35 and previewed in 70mm at Pitt Centre.

CRY FREEDOM was moved from the Pitt Centre to the Centre on George Street on the 12th May 1988 for a further three week season and returned to the Pitt Centre on the 2nd June 1988 for a final two week season.



EVENT CINEMAS GEORGE STREET TIMELINE – 1st July 2009

Greater Union George Street cinemas was renamed Event Cinemas George Street on the 1st July 2009.

After Greater Union acquired the lease on the Hoyts Centre in 2005, an extensive refurbishment of the two adjoining multiplex [Hoyts George Street 11 screens and Greater Union George Street 6 screens] was undertaken which included the closure of GU cinema 6, new foyer and auditorium furnishings, box office, candy bar concepts, Gold Class, GMAX and a new entry façade for the adjoining building structures designed and project managed by Thomas Creative.

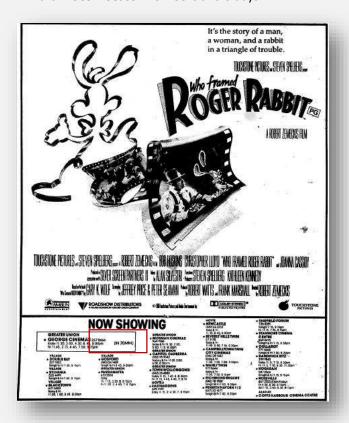


Dedicated to John Gregory ... A wonderful project manager and true gentleman who is sadly missed and never forgotten ...

WHO FRAMED ROGER RABBIT

23rd November 1988 to 22nd March 1989 – Season 16 weeks and 6 days V





WHO FRAMED ROGER RABBIT was filmed in Panavision [Spherical] and previewed in 70mm at the Greater Union George Cinemas.

WHO FRAMED ROGER RABBIT was moved from the George Cinemas on the 30th March 1989 to Village Cinema City for a further three week season.



After the 2008 Digital Cinema trial, George Street commissioned *Edge Digital Technology* to install the B Series Barco DP2K-19B, DP2K-23B and DP2K-32B projectors with DOREMI showvault/IMB servers. Originally a mixture of 2K and 4K, all projectors have now been upgraded to 4K.

The photo right is cinema 9 projection room at George Street. Originally a common projection room for cinema 1 and 2 Hoyts Entertainment Centre, cinema 2 became cinema 9 with the DP75 projector removed and replaced with a FP30 in 1988 by Technician Damien Farrell and Doug Louden.



WILLOW

15th December 1988 to 8th March 1989 – Season 11 weeks and 6 days **V**



WILLOW was filmed in Panavision [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Greater Union George Cinemas.

WILLOW was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 12 week season.

EVENT CINEMAS GEORGE STREET TIMELINE – 20th November 2014

Dolby Atmos was commissioned in VMAX cinema 2 in November 2014 prior to the season of **THE HUNGER GAMES: MOCKINGJAY PART 1**. VMAX cinema 1 was commissioned for Dolby Atmos in December 2014.

The VMAX auditoriums are the original cinema 1 and 2 of the Greater Union Centre on George Street building which opened in 1986. Both of these premium auditoriums with comfortable seating, improved sound and a large 20 metre screen, were commissioned as GMAX auditoriums in October 2007 and renamed VMAX on the 2nd April 2009.



THE BEAR

12th October 1989 to 28th February 1990 – Season 19 weeks and 6 days V



THE BEAR was filmed in Panavision [anamorphic] and opened in 70mm at the Hoyts Centre.

THE BEAR was not reissued in 70mm in Sydney after its 20 week season.



EVENT CINEMAS GEORGE STREET TIMELINE – 14th January 2016

The Hateful Eight was filmed in Ultra Panavision 70 and was presented in 70mm at George Street cinemas and at the Sydney suburban Cremorne Orpheum and Randwick Ritz.

Projected from cinema 4 [the original cinema 5 at Hoyts Entertainment Centre which presented *Capricorn One* as the auditoriums first 70mm print] the new 70mm installation was commissioned by *Edge Digital Technology* with a Victoria 8 (RK60) Dual 35/70 projector, feed from a CNR 3 35/70 Cinemeccanica platter, Kinoton H7000W xenon lamp house and audio from a DTS 6D with Dolby CP750 sound processing.

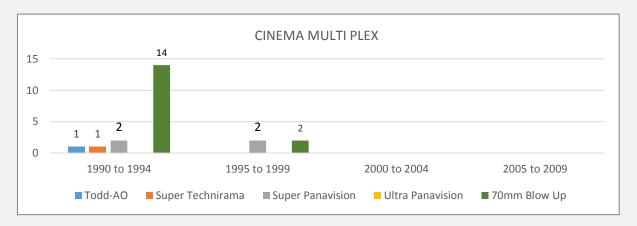


SYDNEY IN 70MM - PART 3

70MM BLOW UP

Between 2005 and 2009 there were no 70mm releases in the key city multiplex of Sydney.

2000 - 2004	70MM	REISSUE	TOTAL
2000	0	0	0
2001	0	0	0
2002	0	0	0
2003	0	0	0
2004	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0



BUENA VISTA INTERNATIONAL [UK]

In 1992 my family relocated to London and I worked as a projectionist at Odeon Kensington and later as head projectionist at Odeon Marble Arch where I presented *Lethal Weapon 3* as my last 70mm presentation. During my role as projectionist for Odeon Cinemas, I applied for and was successful in the role as Print Supervisor for *Buena Vista International [UK]* with *Sister Act* as my first distributed film.

Many films followed with premieres at Odeon West End and Odeon Leicester Square with *Little Buddha* in 70mm and Walt Disney's *Aladdin* and *The Lion King* as the highlights in my career with the distributor.

During these event presentations, I worked with three wonderful projectionists of the West End cinemas in Nigel Wolland, Dave Norris and Stephen Larcombe. Their passion of the presentation and the

professionalism of projection I will never forget and I am so grateful I still call these fine gentleman of the London cinema industry my friend.

THE END

After the 1989 closure of the Lyceum theatre, I lost interest in the 70mm release due in part that there were no single screen flagship theatres left in key city of Sydney.

So this is where I leave my research on *Sydney in 70mm*.

During 2017 I will be reviewing all twelve chapters' continuity, sourcing digital scans of the newspaper ad blocks and will include a summary chapter on all 70mm presentations so the reader has a bridged reference document.

Thank you to Brian Walters, Richard Dumbrell, David Coles and Greg Beasley who has shared the passion of 70mm with me ...

