

Press Release

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***Doctor Who: Twice Upon a Time* Comes To The Big Screen For A Boxing Day Special Event**



Event to Include Exclusive Content Featuring Peter Capaldi and Steven Moffat

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BBC Worldwide Australia and New Zealand and Sharmill Films are giving *Doctor Who* fans a special gift this Christmas with an event screening of this year's Christmas Special *Doctor Who: Twice Upon a Time*. The epic finale to the **Peter Capaldi** era of *Doctor Who* will be coming to Australian cinemas on Boxing Day, featuring the return of **Pearl Mackie** and special guests **Mark Gatiss** (*Sherlock*) and **David Bradley** (*Game of Thrones*). The event will also introduce the Thirteenth Doctor, played by **Jodie Whittaker** (*Broadchurch*), who is the first woman to take on the role.

The cinema event will also feature two exclusive bonus pieces, taking audiences behind the scenes to the filming of this holiday special and celebrating the tenures of **Peter Capaldi** as the Doctor and **Steven Moffat** as showrunner and lead writer.

Fans throughout Australia will be able to enjoy the event in select cinemas through Sharmill Films. Information on participating cinemas and purchasing tickets for *Doctor Who: Twice Upon a Time* can be found at: www.sharmillfilms.com.au/allfilms/doctor-who-xmas

Louise Hill, Live Entertainment Executive, BBC Worldwide ANZ, said: “*Doctor Who* fans love watching the show on the big screen and with Peter Capaldi regenerating into the first female Doctor, this promises to be an iconic episode.”

Jacinta Palmer, Marketing Manager of Sharmill Films, said: “There’s nothing quite like the big screen experience, and we’re thrilled to give fans the opportunity to bid farewell to the fantastic Peter Capaldi in cinemas nationally, and to usher in Jodie Whittaker’s hugely anticipated debut as the 13th Doctor”.

As well as this great chance for fans to come together and watch *Doctor Who: Twice Upon a Time* on the big screen, the episode will also be available on ABC iview immediately after the UK broadcast and will air on ABC at 7.30pm December 26th. Straight afterwards fans can join Rove and his guests for a special regeneration episode of *WHOVIANS*, [8.30pm](#) ABC COMEDY.

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About Sharmill Films

Sharmill Films (established in 1967 by Natalie Miller AO) has an incomparable record of bringing sublime cinema to Australian shores. Sharmill specialises in arthouse cinema and is also the leading Australian distributor of Event Content, including The Met Opera: Captured Live in HD direct from New York, and Great Britain’s National Theatre Live. Recent feature film acquisitions include Israeli Oscar contender and Venice Grand Jury Prize-winner *Foxtrot*, and Ruben Östlund’s Cannes Palme d’Or winning black comedy *The Square*. Recent theatrical releases include the critically heralded British film *Lady Macbeth*, and *Frantz*, the captivating drama from beloved French auteur François Ozon.

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