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TOURING

Brief Encounter

WITH LIVE ORCHESTRA

A live presentation of *Brief Encounter*
by arrangement with ITV Studios Global
Entertainment and Park Circus Films



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Southbank Centre's live presentation of David Lean's *Brief Encounter*.

Premiered during Southbank Centre's *Festival of Love* 2014, *Brief Encounter* formed the centrepiece of our *Love at the Pictures* series.

Performed over three nights in Royal Festival Hall to packed audiences, David Lean's 1945 cinematic masterpiece was screened alongside Southbank Centre's newly commissioned live orchestral soundtrack. Often voted the greatest romantic film of all time, *Brief Encounter* brought to fame the lush emotional landscape of Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No.2.

David Lean's moving film, with a screenplay by Noel Coward, traces the affair of a married doctor and suburban housewife who meet on a train platform. They inadvertently but quickly progress to an emotional love affair, which brings about unexpected consequences.

Recommended rating

Parental Guidance is recommended.

Running time

87 minutes

Orchestral forces

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‘There was not a dry eye in the house, not least because of the eye-watering beauty of having the score freshly created in front of us as the movie rolled.’

(Classical Music Magazine)