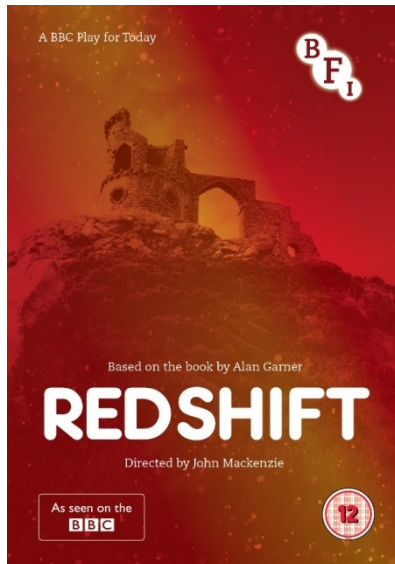


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Red Shift

A film by Alan Garner and John Mackenzie

Directed by John Mackenzie (*The Long Good Friday*, *Just Another Saturday*), this acclaimed and long-unseen BBC TV *Play for Today* from 1978 is adapted by Alan Garner (*The Owl Service*) from his own complex and enthralling sci-fi fantasy novel. It will be released on DVD for the first time on 13 October 2014 as part of the BFI's *SCI-FI: DAYS OF FEAR AND WONDER*, a 3-month nationwide celebration of Sci-Fi film and TV.

Red Shift takes the viewer on a beguiling voyage through English history, spanning three distinct time periods: Roman Britain, the English Civil War and 1970s modern day. Garner's story follows three troubled young men, Tom, Thomas and Macey, who occupy these different eras and are haunted by shared visions. They are also linked by a common location (Mow Cop in south Cheshire) and by the discovery of a mystical talisman: an ancient axe-head.

Exploring themes of mysticism, folklore and geography that are common in Alan Garner's fantasy novels, *Red Shift* is a uniquely compelling *Play for Today* from the golden age of BBC drama.

Alan Garner has contributed a new essay to the accompanying booklet.

Special features

- Brand new High Definition transfer
- *One Pair of Eyes: Alan Garner – All Systems Go* (Lawrence Moore, 1972, 40 mins): an experimental, autobiographical documentary presented by Alan Garner
- Interview with 1st Assistant Director Bob Jacobs and Film Editor Oliver White (2013, 5 mins)
- *Spirit of Cheshire* (Kevin Marsland, 1980, 20 mins): Michael Hordern voices a Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost on a journey to several Cheshire landmarks and tourist attractions
- Illustrated booklet with extensive credits and newly commissioned essays from David Rolinson, Alan Garner, Michael Brooke, Paul Vanezis and Sergio Angelini

Product details

RRP: £19.99 / cat. no. BFIV2007 / Cert 12

UK / 1978 / colour / English language, with optional hard-of-hearing subtitles / 84 mins / Original aspect ratio 1.33:1 / DVD9 / Dolby Digital 1.0 mono audio (192 kbps)

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- BFI DVD and Blu-ray releases are available from all good video entertainment retailers or from the BFI Shop Tel: 020 7815 1350 and online at www.bfi.org.uk/shop
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- Preserving and restoring the most significant film collection in the world for today and future generations
- Investing in creative, distinctive and entertaining work
- Promoting British film and talent to the world
- Growing the next generation of film makers and audiences

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