

WHAT'S ON IN 2022 AT WARNER BROS. STUDIO TOUR LONDON – THE MAKING OF HARRY POTTER



Magical Mischief

Saturday 22nd January – Sunday Ist May 2022

Brand new for 2022, Warner Bros. Studio Tour London is set to reveal the filmmaking trickery behind the Harry Potter film series as it shines a spotlight on magical pranks and mishaps in the new feature, Magical Mischief

Visitors to the Studio Tour will learn how their favourite mischievous moments from the films were brought to the screen in this exciting feature. Entering the Great Hall, fans will recognise the set dressed for a Weasley prank on the peaceful O.W.L.s exam, complete with the swinging pendulum under the watchful eye of Dolores Umbridge. From the fan-favourite scene in *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*, the infamous pink two-piece costume of Dolores Umbridge will be centre stage and visitors should look above to see the playful Weasley twins' costumes on their broomsticks suspended from the Great Hall ceiling.

Demonstrations throughout the Studio Tour during this feature include how clever camera trickery created the disappearing effect of the invisibility cloak and visitors will also be able to get hands on to make their own origami howler, just like the one Mrs Weasley delivered to her son in *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*.

The Studio Tour will be highlighting the magical mishaps that happen throughout the films including how the SFX Team created the infamous fireplace letter scene at 4 Privet Drive during the filming of *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* and Fred and George Weasley's accidental beards and burned costumes after they put their names into the Goblet of Fire, created by the Creature Effects Team. Eagle-eyed visitors will spot a number of pesky Cornish Pixies on the loose around the Studio Tour and are invited to find them all and collect stamps as part of their Magical Mischief activity passport.



Dark Arts

Friday 23rd September - Sunday 6th November

The Studio Tour's popular Dark Arts feature will return for Hallowe'en in 2022 with the Great Hall ceiling decorated with over 100 floating pumpkins as well as a spooky feast of lollipops and red apples dressed along the tables. Visitors are invited to follow the Dark Mark trail, try their wand combat moves against Death Eaters in a live duel as they storm the Studio Tour, all before walking down a darker Platform 9 \(^3\)4 and a spookier Diagon Alley.



Hogwarts in the Snow

Saturday 12th November - Sunday 15th January 2023

2022 will conclude with the return of the Yule Ball for Hogwarts in the Snow, running from Saturday 12th November – Sunday 15th January 2023. The festive makeover will see the Great Hall transformed with the icy silvers of the iconic Yule Ball scenes. The Gryffindor common room will be dressed for the season and a blanket of filmmaking snow will cover the Forbidden Forest, Diagon Alley and the magnificent Hogwarts castle model.

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Notes to Editors

Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter offers visitors the ultimate chance to get up close to authentic sets, discover the magic behind spellbinding special effects and explore the behind-the-scenes secrets of the Harry Potter film series. The Studio Tour has been well received with 95% of the 44,000+ reviews on TripAdvisor rating it as 'Excellent' or 'Very Good'.

Highlights include walking through the Great Hall where so many famous scenes were shot, strolling down Diagon Alley, boarding the original Hogwarts Express locomotive at Platform 9 ¾ and exploring Gringotts Wizarding Bank. Tickets must be pre-booked at www.wbstudiotour.co.uk or by calling the Studio Tour's Visitor Services Team on 0345 084 0900 and cannot be bought at the attraction.

About Wizarding World

In the years since Harry Potter was whisked from King's Cross Station onto Platform nine and three quarters, his incredible adventures have left a unique and lasting mark on popular culture. Eight blockbuster Harry Potter films, based

on the original stories by J.K. Rowling, have brought the magical stories to life and today, the Wizarding World is recognised as one of the world's best-loved brands.

Representing a vast interconnected universe, it also includes two epic *Fantastic Beasts* films, (the third releasing in 2022), *Harry Potter and The Cursed Child* – the multi-award-winning stage-play, state-of-the-art video and mobile games from Portkey Games, innovative consumer products, thrilling live entertainment (including four theme park lands) and insightful exhibitions.

This expanding portfolio of Warner Bros. owned Wizarding World experiences also includes Harry Potter New York – a brand new flagship store, Warner Bros. Studio Tour London – The Making of Harry Potter, Warner Bros. Studio Tour Tokyo, and the Platform 9 3/4 retail shops.

The Wizarding World continues to evolve to provide Harry Potter fans with fresh and exciting ways to engage. For the worldwide fan community, and for generations to come, it welcomes everyone in to explore and discover the magic for themselves.

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