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The North West Film Archive at Manchester Metropolitan University is pleased to announce '**South Cheshire on Film**', a part of its programme to make this fascinating collection available to the public of the North West region. Supported by North West Vision + Media the NWFA will present a public screening of films from its collection at the Lyceum Theatre Crewe.

The screening will take place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2008 at 7.30pm.

The screening will comprise of material from the past 100 years of south Cheshire's history and look at the industries of the town of Crewe and life on the Cheshire Plain. Marvel as the Edwardian craftsmen at Crewe loco works put together their 5000<sup>th</sup> engine in 1911 and how their later counterparts turned out the Silver Shadow at the Rolls Royce factory. In 'Summer on the Farm' we look at how rural Cheshire did its bit in feeding the wartime cities, and in 'School life in Wartime', how the children of Elworth School coped with gas masks and air raid drills in 1942. The colourful products of Macclesfield's silk mills are seen and we learn how the skills of British industry have allowed 'The Inquisitive Giant' at Jodrell Bank to look out into space for over 50 years. You can join in all the fun of the carnival in Winsford, 1932 style, before taking a glance at life on Crewe's famous railway station in 1983.

The Archive's Service Manager Marion Hewitt said "This is a great opportunity for the people of south Cheshire to enjoy an evening with a difference, and take a look back at life in their part of the county in the past century".

North West Vision's+Media's Alice Morrison said "The North West Film Archive is one of our region's real gems and North West Vision are proud to support **South Cheshire on Film**, enabling local people to access a piece of their region's past".

The evening's show will be presented by the Archive's Collections Assistant Geoff Senior, who can be contacted on 0161 247 3097 for further information, interview, and footage.

### Additional information

The North West Film Archive has been based at Manchester Metropolitan University since 1977 and is the publicly recognised home for moving images about life in the North West of England.

The North West Film Archive is located at Minshull House 47-49 Chorlton St Manchester M1 3EU. Tel. 0161 247 3097 Fax. 0161 247 3098

North West Vision+Media is the film and TV development agency for England's North West. It works behind the scenes, supporting, funding and promoting film, TV and digital production in the North West. Find out more at: [www.northwestvision.co.uk](http://www.northwestvision.co.uk)

The Lyceum Theatre Crewe, is located on Heath Street, Crewe, CW1 2DA

Still images from several of the titles to be screened can be supplied for use on request, and moving image clips can be made available to broadcasters in advance.

