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Hello and welcome to your weekly Westside World news digest. Each Friday, Westside BID brings you the top stories from in and around Broad Street, Brindleyplace, Five Ways, Centenary Square, Broadway Plaza and surrounding areas...



New film studio space for members opening on Westside thanks to BID

Lights, camera, action! Westside BID is getting into the film studio business! The BID is to officially open its new studio on Wednesday 3 April with a launch event at its premises on Broad Street.

The state-of-the-art facility will be available for BID members to book and use free of charge, Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8am and 4pm.

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Easter Metro closures: All the details

West Midlands Metro trams are to stop running along Broad Street for three weeks across the Easter holidays thanks to work to build a junction for a major new extension in the Black Country.

The short-term pain will lead to a long-term gain with the promise that by the end of the year the Wolverhampton to Birmingham line will also offer a direct link to Dudley, putting another 300,000 people within easy travelling distance of Westside's multiple night-time economy attractions.

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Get ready to rock with Alice Cooper

Expect snakes, guillotines and 'monsters' on Westside later this year when a rock legend comes to Birmingham.

Alice Cooper, regarded by many as 'the Godfather of Shock Rock', is bringing his havoc-wreaking live show to the Utilita Arena in King Edward's Road on 16 October. Alice and his award-winning band are returning to the UK for the first time since 2022 with their arena tour.

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Videos: Celebrating Women's Day

Westside pulled out all the stops to celebrate International Women's Day with a trio of virtual and in-person events to celebrate the recognition of women globally.

More than 40 ladies enjoyed a special dinner, held in association with the Hats and Heels Networking Group, which was followed by an online female empowerment class and the launch of the Westside Live video series.

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Huge film savings at Cineworld

It can cost up to £16.69 to see new releases like Dune at peak time on the giant IMAX screen at Cineworld Broad Street.

But the return of the cinema's annual IMAX Film Festival in April means movie lovers can book to see up to four of the best IMAX movies of the past year for just £3 each.



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