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A Ciné at Borth (recent outings pt. 1)

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Dear friends,

It is Saturday 14th October 2023. Hallowe'en looms. A number of weeks ago, *A Haunting in Venice* played at the Libanus 1877 in Borth, which is a cinema. *A Haunting in Venice* stars Kenneth Branagh as Poirot, in an adaptation of Agatha Christie's murder-mystery story *Hallowe'en Party*. There are lots of parties in *A Haunting in Venice*. And the Libanus 1877 is a party itself.

At the Libanus 1877 you can dine in a boutique restaurant before or after you watch a film. At the Libanus 1877 there are big urn-pots made of stone. At the Libanus 1877

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like to sit in during any particular performance. At the Libanus 1877 there are cushions and pillows. At the Libanus 1877 you are in a lounge of unproblematically-opulent splendour. Has anyone ever been to Sands Films Studio in London in Rotherhithe? It's a bit like that.

But the Libanus 1877 is definitively in Borth. As well as adverts for various blockbuster 'movies' prior to *A Haunting in Venice*'s screening, the Libanus 1877 advertises local Powys and/or Ceredigion steam trains etc. The Railway Inn is just next door, incidentally. When you leave the Libanus 1877, however, the Transport-for-Wales-train will always be cancelled, and you can only hope not to die sheltering by the Dolphin-named flats or get swept down a long sea-adjacent boulevard until a replacement Lloyds Coaches bus, or panic-taxi, takes you home to safety.

With very best wishes,
Amy Grandvoinet x