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Education and culture

The special film "Couscous and Secrets"

**A lively French culture-clash comedy // Screening on
Tuesday 27 October 2026 // Admission: €7**

As part of the "KINO Bocholt - the special film" series, the French comedy "Couscous and Secrets" will be screened on 27 October 2026.

Mehdi is passionate about cooking. He loves French cuisine and his independent business partner, Lea. His conservative Algerian mother, Fatima, mustn't find out about any of this. When Lea insists on meeting his mother, chaos ensues.

Mehdi, a young Algerian chef, leads a double life that is putting him under increasing strain: during the day, he works alongside his partner Lea as a chef in a bistro, indulging his passion for French culinary culture. In the evenings, however, he plays the perfect son in front of his Algerian mother, Fatima, hiding from her not only his relationship with Lea but also his enthusiasm for French cuisine.

At first, this balancing act seems to be working, but Mehdi hasn't reckoned with Lea. She wants to finally meet his mother at some point and no longer remain in the shadows. Mehdi is desperately searching for a solution to reconcile the two worlds. He enlists an actress to pretend to be his cosmopolitan mother in front of Lea, but things get completely out of hand. His desperate attempts to keep all his secrets hidden cause ever more chaos and throw everyone's lives into turmoil.

The film runs for 105 minutes. It was directed by Amine Adjina.

[Find all the details about the event here.](#) ↗

Trailers and tickets are available at www.kinodrom.de ↗

The film series "KINO Bocholt - the special film" has been running since 1977 as a collaboration between the Department of Education and Culture of the City of Bocholt and the Kinodrom Bocholt. The aim is to make exceptional films - which would not otherwise feature in the regular programme - accessible to a wide audience. Selected productions are usually screened on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.



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