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Film To Screen At TCL Chinese Theatre On Nov. 14

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, Los Angeles, CA, October 20, 2021 â?? Today, the American Film Institute (AFI) announced that the World Premiere of Illuminationâ??s SING 2, the new animated feature film written and directed by Garth Jennings and produced by Illumination founder and CEO Chris Meledandri and by Janet Healy, will join AFI FEST 2021 as a Red Carpet Premiere. The film, in theaters December 22, will screen in-person at the historic TCL Chinese Theatre on Sunday, November 14.



ABOUT SING 2

In the new chapter from Illuminationâ??s film franchise, ever-optimistic Buster Moon and his all-star cast of performers prepare to launch their most dazzling stage show yet â?¦all in the glamorous entertainment capital of the world, Redshore City. Thereâ??s just one hitch: They first have to persuade the worldâ??s most reclusive rock starâ??played by global music icon and Academy AwardÂ® nominee Bonoâ??to join them.

With more than 40 contemporary and classic hit songs, electrifying performances and breathtaking artistry, SING 2 serves as an emotional reminder about the importance of dreaming big and the power of music to heal.

SING 2 features all of the characters audiences fell in love with in the first film (voiced by Academy AwardÂ® winners Matthew McConaughey and Reese Witherspoon, Academy AwardÂ® nominee Scarlett Johansson, Taron Egerton, Tori Kelly, Nick Kroll and Garth Jennings), plus new characters played by music superstars Academy AwardÂ® nominee Pharrell Williams and Halsey, actors Bobby Cannavale and Letitia Wright, and comedians Eric AndrÃ© and Chelsea Peretti.

More on AFI FEST 2021

AFI FEST 2021 takes place from November 10 â?? 14, 2021 in Los Angeles. The World Premiere of tick, tickâ?¦BOOM! directed by Pulitzer Prize and Tony AwardÂ® winner Lin-Manuel Miranda will open the festival and KING RICHARD directed by Reinaldo Marcus Green will close the festival. Additional Red Carpet Premieres include the World Premieres of Academy AwardÂ® winner Halle Berryâ??s directorial debut BRUISED and Academy AwardÂ® winner Benjamin Clearyâ??s feature directorial debut SWAN SONG, PARALLEL MOTHERS, directed by Academy AwardÂ® winner Pedro AlmodÃ³var and THE POWER OF THE DOG, directed by Academy AwardÂ® winner Jane Campion. The full program can be found here.

This yearâ??s hybrid festival will feature both in-person screenings and events, as well as virtual screenings, showcasing transformative stories from groundbreaking artists.

With health and safety being top priority, AFI FEST 2021 will require all festival-goers who attend in-person events and/or screenings to be fully vaccinated.

Top Sponsors for AFI FEST 2021 include AT&T, Apple Original Films, National Geographic Documentary Films and Dell.

Passes to AFI FEST 2021 and individual tickets are currently available on FEST.AFI.com. AFI Members receive exclusive discounts and benefits to the festival. To become an AFI member, visit AFI.com/join/.

About the American Film Institute (AFI)

The American Film Institute (AFI) is a nonprofit organization with a mandate to champion the moving image as an art form. Established in 1967, AFI launched the first comprehensive history of American film and sparked the movement for film preservation in the United States. In 1969, AFI opened the doors of the **AFI Conservatory**, a graduate-level program to train narrative filmmakers. AFIâ??s enduring traditions include the **AFI Life Achievement Award**, which honors the masters for work that has stood the test of time; **AFI AWARDS**, which celebrates the creative ensembles of the most outstanding screen stories of the year; and scholarly efforts such as the **AFI Catalog of Feature Films** and the **AFI Archive** that preserve film history for future generations. AFI exhibition programs include **AFI FEST**, **AFI DOCS** and year-round exhibition at the **AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center** in Maryland. Other pioneering programs include workshops aimed at increasing diversity in the storytelling community, including the **AFI Directing Workshop for Women** and the **AFI Cinematography Intensive for Women**. AFIâ??s newest program is **AFI Movie Club**, a daily global engagement for those who love the movies. Read about all of these programs and more at AFI.com and follow us on social media at Facebook.com/AmericanFilmInstitute, YouTube.com/AFI, Twitter.com/AmericanFilm and Instagram.com/AmericanFilmInstitute.

About AFI FEST

Now in its 35th year, AFI FEST is a world-class event, showcasing the best films from across the globe. With an innovative slate of programming, the five-day festival historically presents screenings, panels and conversations, featuring both master filmmakers and new cinematic voices. This yearâ??s edition takes place in-person and online November 10-14, 2021. The festival includes Special Presentations of high-profile films with Q&As featuring the filmsâ?? cast and crew and a robust lineup of fiction and nonfiction features and shorts presented in established AFI FEST sections. Additional information about AFI FEST is available at FEST.AFI.com. Connect with AFI FEST at Facebook.com/AFIFEST, Twitter.com/AFIFEST, Instagram/AmericanFilmInstitute and YouTube.com/AFI.

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