

TCM Celebrates Legendary Actor Michael Douglas

Description

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Festival Lineup Also Features Cast Reunion of Christopher Guestâ??s *Best in Show*, Plus Appearances by Film and Television Icons John Landis, Dick Cavett and Bob Newhart

Special Presentations for 2017 Festival Include Rare Nitrate and Cinerama Screenings

Turner Classic Movies (TCM) recently announced that legendary actor **Michael Douglas** will attend the **2017 TCM Classic Film Festival** for a pair of major events. On **April 8**, Douglas will sit down with **TCM host Ben Mankiewicz** for an in-depth interview about his career at the legendary **The Ricardo MontalbÃ¡n Theatre** as part of the annual ***Live from the TCM Classic Film Festival*** series. In addition, the OscarÂ®-winning icon will participate in a discussion following a screening of the 1979 thriller ***The China Syndrome***, which he produced and starred in opposite Jane Fonda and Jack Lemmon.

â??Michael Douglas has been part of our collective Hollywood consciousness his entire life. From chasing bad guys through the streets of San Francisco to playing an iconic bad guy in Gordon Gekko, Michael has stayed not only relevant, but vital,â?• said Mankiewicz. â??To say that Iâ??m looking forward to discussing the career of an actor who played Liberace 38 years after producing *One Flew Over the Cuckooâ??s Nest* is a huge understatement.â?•

TCM continues to add screen legends and beloved icons to its impressive lineup for the 2017 TCM Classic Film Festival, which is set to take place **April 6 â?? April 9** in **Hollywood**, including:

- ***Best in Show*** (2000) â?? cast members from Christopher Guestâ??s acclaimed mockumentary â?? **Fred Willard**, **John Michael Higgins**, **Jim Piddock** and **Bob Balaban â??** will be on hand

to discuss the hilarious comedy about the eccentric characters competing at a national dog show.

- **Bob Newhart** â?? the Golden GlobeÂ® and EmmyÂ® winner will introduce a screening of ***Hell Is For Heroes*** (1962).

- **John Landis, Jim Abrahams, David Zucker and Jerry Zucker** â?? will attend a 40th Anniversary screening of their irreverent sketch comedy ***The Kentucky Fried Movie*** (1977) and participate in a conversation about the film.

- **Dick Cavett** â??Emmy-winning television personality will introduce screenings of ***Monkey Business*** (1931), the first original film production from the Marx Brothers, ***Way Out West*** (1937) and sit down for a conversation in Club TCM.

In addition, the 2017 TCM Classic Film Festival will present a number of rare screening events that celebrate cinemaâ??s ability to immerse viewers in the film experience, including:

- **Nitrate Films** â?? this years festival will showcase the history of cinema and highlight the institutions that work hard to protect original nitrate prints for contemporary audiences to experience, including Academy Film Archive, George Eastman Museum and the UCLA Film & Television Archive. Lineup includes: ***Black Narcissus*** (1947), ***The Man Who Knew Too Much*** (1934), ***Laura*** (1944), and ***Lady in the Dark*** (1944) all shown at the Egyptian Theatre. Nitrate projection made possible through support of the Hollywood Foreign Press Association, Turner Classic Movies and The Film Foundation in partnership with the American Cinematheque and the Academy Film Archive.

- **Cinerama** â?? a screeing of the very first film made for the ultra-widescreen process â?? the aptly titled ***This is Cinerama*** (1952) â?? in its original format presented at ArcLight Cinemasâ?? Cinerama Dome.

- ***Speedy*** **Accompanied by the Alloy Orchestra** â?? a screening of the Harold Lloyd comedy ***Speedy*** (1928), with original music by the famed **Alloy Orchestra**.

- ***Those Redheads from Seattle*** **in 3D** *â??* the world-premiere restoration of the rarely-seen musical *Those Redheads from Seattle* (1953), presented in its original 3D format.

Previously announced events and appearances include OscarÂ® winner **Sidney Poitier** for the 50th anniversary opening-night screening of ***In the Heat of the Night*** (1967); **Mel Brooks** for the 40th anniversary screening of his Hitchcock spoof ***High Anxiety*** (1977); actress **Lee Grant** for screenings of ***Detective Story*** (1951) and ***The Landlord*** (1970); and actor-director **Peter Bogdanovich** for screenings of ***The Last Picture Show*** (1971) and ***Whatâ??s Up, Doc?*** (1972). Grant and Bogdanovich will also be interviewed in the Festivalâ??s central gathering point, Club TCM. And legendary father and son filmmakers **Carl Reiner** and **Rob Reiner** will be honored with a hand and footprint ceremony at the **TCL Chinese Theater IMAX**Â®.

Complete bios for each of the artists appearing at the 2017 TCM Classic Film Festival and for film descriptions, please visit the festivalâ??s website: filmfestival.tcm.com

About the 2017 TCM Classic Film Festival

For the eighth consecutive year, thousands of movie lovers from around the globe will descend upon Hollywood for the **TCM Classic Film Festival**. The 2017 festival is set to take place **Thursday, April 6 â?? Sunday, April 9, 2017**. Over four packed days and nights, attendees will be treated to an extensive lineup of great movies, appearances by legendary stars and filmmakers, fascinating presentations and panel discussions, special events and more.

TCM host **Ben Mankiewicz** will serve as official host of the TCM Classic Film Festival, with TCMâ??s **Tiffany Vazquez** introducing various events. The festivalâ??s official hotel and central gathering point for the eighth consecutive year will be **The Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel**, which has a longstanding role in movie history and was the site of the first Academy AwardsÂ® ceremony. The Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel will also offer special rates for festival attendees. Screenings and events during the festival will be held at the **TCL Chinese Theatre IMAX**, the **TCL Chinese 6 Theatres** and the **Egyptian Theatre**, as well as other Hollywood venues.

This yearâ??s festival theme will be ***Make â??Em Laugh: Comedy In The Movies***. From lowbrow to high, slapstick to sophisticated comedies of manners, the 2017 TCM Classic Film Festival will showcase the greatest cinematic achievements of lone clowns, comedic duos and madcap ensembles.

Festival Passes

Passes for the 2017 TCM Classic Film Festival are on sale now. Fans are able to purchase them through the TCM Classic Film Festival website. As the number of passes available is limited, fans are encouraged to purchase their passes as soon as possible.

The â??Spotlightâ?• Festival Pass: $2,149 â?? Includes all privileges available to â??Classicâ?• and â??Essentialâ?• passholders, priority entry to all screening events; plus entry to the exclusive opening-night party following the red-carpet gala screening at TCL Chinese Theatre; meet-and-greet events with special guests,; and a limited edition TCM Classic Film Festival poster.

The â??Essentialâ?• Festival Pass: $799 â?? Includes all privileges available to â??Classicâ?• passholders, plus entry to the opening-night red-carpet gala screening at TCL Chinese Theatre and official TCM Classic Film Festival gift bags.

The â??Classicâ?• Festival Pass: $649 â?? Includes access to all film programs at festival venues Thursday, April 6 â?? Sunday, April 9 (does not include admittance to the opening-night red-carpet gala screening at TCL Chinese Theatre or the opening-night party); access to all Club TCM events, panels and poolside screenings at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel; an opening-night welcome reception at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel; and the closing-night event.

The â??Palaceâ?• Festival Pass: $299 â?? Includes access to all screenings and events at the historic TCL Chinese Theatre (excluding the opening-night red-carpet gala) and the Egyptian Theatre Friday, April 7 â?? Sunday, April 9, as well as poolside screenings at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel.





About Turner Classic Movies (TCM)

Turner Classic Movies (TCM) is a two-time Peabody Award-winning network that presents great films, uncut and commercial-free, from the largest film libraries in the world highlighting the entire spectrum of film history. TCM features the insights from Primetime host Ben Mankiewicz and Saturday daytime host Tiffany Vazquez, plus interviews with a wide range of special guests and serves as the ultimate movie lover destination. Currently in its 22nd year as a leading authority in classic film, TCM offers critically acclaimed series like *The Essentials*, along with annual programming events like *31 Days of OscarÂ®* in February and *Summer Under the Stars* in August. TCM also directly connects with movie fans through events as the annual TCM Classic Film Festival in Hollywood and the TCM Classic Cruise, as well as through the TCM Classic Film Tour in New York City and Los Angeles. In addition, TCM produces a wide range of media about classic film, including books and DVDs, and hosts a wealth of material online at tcm.com and through the Watch TCM mobile app.

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