

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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# LAST CHANCE TO SEE SPECIAL EXHIBITION SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS: THE CREATION OF A CLASSIC THIS APRIL AT THE WALT DISNEY FAMILY MUSEUM!

# JOIN STOOPID BUDDY STOODIOS (THE CREATIVE MINDS BEHIND ROBOT CHICKEN) FOR EXCLUSIVE PROGRAMMING IN CELEBRATION OF STOP MOTION ANIMATION!

## April Exhibitions, Programs, and Events

## **SPECIAL EXHIBITIONS**

## Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs: The Creation of a Classic

Now through April 14, 2013 | Special Exhibition Hall

Special ticket price for Snow White: \$10 general | Special combination ticket which includes general museum admission: \$25 adults, \$20 seniors & students, \$15 children ages 6 to 17.

This special exhibition celebrates Walt Disney's first feature-length animated film: *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. The exhibition showcases more than 200 works of art including conceptual drawings, early character studies, detailed story sketches, and animation drawings. Also featured are delicate thumbnail layout watercolors, meticulously rendered pencil layouts, rare watercolor backgrounds, colorful cels, and vintage posters all illustrating how Walt advanced the creation of an entirely new art form. Generous support provided by Wells Fargo.

## Between Frames: The Magic Behind Stop Motion Animation

Now through April 28, 2013 | Theater Gallery

Free for members or with Museum admission

Between Frames explores the evolution of stop motion animation in the United States in special effects, television, and film. The exhibition highlights behind-the-scenes photographs, rare armatures and puppets, and original storyboards from cult favorite films and television including King Kong, Gumby, Star Wars, Jurassic Park, Robot Chicken, and Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas and showcases stop motion innovators like Ray Harryhausen, Phil Tippett, Will Vinton, Tim Burton, Henry Selick, and more.

# **SCREENINGS**

# Film of the Month: Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs (1937)

Screens through April 30, daily at 1:30 & 4pm (except Tuesdays & 4/7, 13, 20 & 27) | Theater Free for members or with Museum admission | Without Museum admission: \$7 adult, \$5 youth

# **DISCUSSIONS**

# Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs: The Artistic Vision

Saturday, April 13 | 3pm | Theater

Members: \$18 adult, \$14 youth | Non-members: \$20 adult, \$15 youth

Walt Disney's bold vision for the visual style, costumes, scenes, and settings for his feature-length masterpiece is remarkably unified from beginning to end. Achieving this singular effect required the coordinated efforts of dozens of artists and dedicated animators. Historian Donald Crafton comments on the variety of fine art traditions that culminated in the film's consistent "look and feel" and highlights

the contributions of those members of the Disney staff associated with the California Water Color Society.

## Panel Discussion: The Making of Robot Chicken

Saturday, April 27 | 2pm | Theater

Members: \$18 adult, \$14 youth | Non-members: \$20 adult, \$15 youth

Join the crew from Stoopid Buddy Stoodios, the masterminds behind the stop motion TV show *Robot Chicken*, for a behind-the-scenes look at the making of this modern cult favorite.

### **SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

# **Animate Your Night: The Island of Misfit Toys**

Friday, April 26 | 7–10pm | Museum-wide

Members: \$8 for Animate Your Night ticket only, \$16 for *Robot Chicken* program and Animate Your

Night tickets

Non-members: \$12 for Animate Your Night ticket only, \$22 for Robot Chicken program and Animate

Your Night tickets

Ages 18+

Celebrate the closing of our special exhibition, *Between Frames: The Magic Behind Stop Motion Animation*, with a party full of misfit adventure. Join the creators of *Robot Chicken* and the founders of Stoopid Buddy Stoodios as they present some of their favorite clips, followed by a Q&A. Enjoy eats from Adam's Grub Truck and Me So Hungry, then have a hair-raising sip of our signature cocktail: The Evil Doctor.

#### **SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

# **Look Closer Gallery Talks**

Friday-Sunday, April 26-28

11am, 1 & 3pm | Theater Gallery

Free for members or with museum admission

Discover the magic behind the process of bringing objects to life onscreen.

# **CLASSES & ACTIVITIES**

## **Open Studio: Animation Techniques**

Saturday & Sunday, April 6 & 7

1-4pm | Learning Center

Free for members or with Museum admission

Explore various parts of the process of creating an animated film. Discover the magic behind developing stories, inking and painting, and creating concept art.

# Learn from the Masters Series: Painting with Watercolor

Saturday, April 13 | 10am–2:30pm | Learning Center

Members: \$55 | Non-member: \$60 adult, \$45 student (valid student ID required)

In this intensive mini workshop, participants work in watercolor on a gesso-treated surface with artist and international workshop instructor Myrna Wachnov.

This class is for participants ages 18+, all levels of experience. Space is limited. Registration required. Email: education@wdfmuseum.org to register or for more info.

#### **Open Studio: Exploring Water Media**

Saturday, April 13 | 10:30-12pm & 1:30-2:30 | Learning Center

Sunday, April 14 1–4pm | Learning Center

Free for members or with Museum admission

Join us in our studio to explore the use of water media. Professional artists from the California Watercolor Association will demonstrate the use of water media and assist visitors in exploring how to create their own original artwork.

## Learn from the Masters Series: Animation Mischief with Stoopid Buddy Stoodios

Saturday, April 27 | 10am-1pm | Learning Center

Members: \$55 | Non-members: \$60 adult, \$45 student (valid student ID required)

Explore the magic of stop motion animation with the Emmy and Annie Award winning animators of *Robot Chicken*. This class is for participants ages 18+, all levels of experience. Space is limited. Registration required. Email: education@wdfmuseum.org to register or for more info.

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#### **ABOUT THE MUSEUM**

The Walt Disney Family Museum presents the fascinating story and achievements of Walt Disney, the man who raised animation to an art, transformed the film industry, tirelessly pursued innovation, and created a global and distinctively American legacy. Opened in October 2009, the 40,000 square foot facility features the newest technology and historic materials and artifacts to bring Disney's achievements to life, with interactive galleries that include early drawings and animation, movies, music, listening stations, a spectacular model of Disneyland, and much more.

Hours: 10am to 6pm, Wednesdays through Monday; closed on Tuesdays and the following

public holidays: New Year's Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day.

Tickets: Free for members | Non-members: \$20 adults, \$15 seniors and students, \$12 youth

under 17, free for children 5 and under

Where: 104 Montgomery Street, The Presidio of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA 94129

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