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CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS & WALT'S BIRTHDAY AT THE WALT DISNEY FAMILY MUSEUM December 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 and students; \$15 children ages 6 to 17.

On view through April 14, 2013, The Walt Disney Family Museum's special exhibition celebrates Walt Disney's first feature-length animated film: *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. The exhibition features 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 Disney advanced the creation of an entirely new art form.

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 features 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 + DISCUSSIONS

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

Screens daily at 11am & 4pm (except Tuesdays, 12/5 & 12/8) | Theater Free for members or with Museum admission | Without Museum admission: \$7 adult; \$5 youth

Special Screening: Christmas with Walt

Screens daily at 1:30pm (except Tuesdays, 12/5 & 12/8) | Theater

Free for members or with Museum admission | Without Museum admission: \$7 adult; \$5 youth Take a peek at how Walt celebrated Christmas at the Studio, at Disneyland, and at home with this exclusive film, on view only at the Museum! Directed by Don Hahn (producer of *The Lion King* and *Beauty and the Beast*), this holiday film includes "The Nutcracker Suite" from *Fantasia* (1940), *Pluto's Christmas Tree* (1952), scenes from the television Christmas specials, and rarely-seen home movies of Walt and his family.

Building Disneyland: How Walt Got Things Done Quickly

Saturday, December 8 | 3pm | Theater

General: \$20 adult; \$15 youth | Members: \$18 adult; \$14 youth

Imagineering Legend Bob Gurr will share insights into Walt's remarkable ability to inspire his early designers and builders to create Disneyland almost overnight. After the program, Gurr will sign his book *Design: Just For Fun*.

SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

A Birthday Celebration for Walt

Wednesday, December 5 | Extended Museum hours: 10am-8pm | Admission is FREE! It's <u>Walt's birthday</u>, and to celebrate, we're offering free admission for all, thanks to generous support from PG&E. Enjoy screenings of the films *Walt: The Man Behind the Myth* and *Christmas with Walt*, gallery talks featuring stories about Walt's life, work, and more!

Limited capacity. Tickets issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Additional paid exhibition ticket required for Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs: The Creation of a Classic.

Animate Your Night: Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs Old Hollywood Red Carpet Premiere Friday, December 21 | 7–10pm | Museum-wide | Ages 18+

General: \$10 | Members: \$5

Animate Your Night in old Hollywood style with a special 1930s 75th anniversary premiere party for *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. Join us as we team up with the Art Deco Society of California for a soiree of glitz and glamour, including a Snow White-theme cabaret and performances, plus screenings of the 1937 film and red carpet footage. Enjoy a winter apple cocktail and bites from Presidio restaurant Dixie. Note: Additional paid exhibition ticket required for *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs: The Creation of a Classic*.

Look Closer: *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* Special Oscar® Friday–Sunday, December 21-23

11am, 1 & 3pm | Snow White exhibition | Free with paid special exhibition admission

Join us for a brief gallery talk to learn more about the special honorary Academy Award® Walt Disney received for Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, presented to him by Shirley Temple.

CLASSES + ACTIVITIES

Learn From the Masters Series: Puppet Performance in Stop Motion

Saturday, December 8 [check date]
Class 1: 10am-1pm | Learning Center
Class 2: 2pm-5pm | Learning Center

General: \$55 | Members: \$45 | Students: \$35

Led by Ruben Esqueda, independent filmmaker and resident animator at The Walt Disney Family Museum, this class will focus on character acting and performance of stop motion puppets by drawing upon physical performance. Participants will use full body motion and music to explore essential animation concepts.

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

Open Studio

The Art of *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs:* Concept Art Saturday–Sunday, December 1-2 & 8-9

1–3pm | Learning Center | Free for members or with Museum admission Create your own unique concept artwork using paint, pastels, and a lot of imagination.

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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 | General: \$20 adults, \$15 seniors and students, \$12 youth under 17,

free for children 5 and under

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