

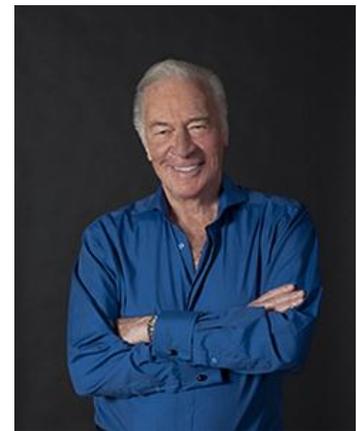
TCM to Honor Academy Award® Winning Screen Legend Christopher Plummer With Hand and Footprint Ceremony At TCL Chinese Theatre IMAX® in Hollywood

Celebration to Take Place March 27 During the 2015 TCM Classic Film Festival

Turner Classic Movies (TCM) will honor beloved actor **Christopher Plummer** during a handprint-footprint ceremony at the world-famous **TCL Chinese Theatre IMAX®** on **Friday, March 27, 2015** as part of the **2015 TCM Classic Film Festival**. Plummer has been a Hollywood icon for 60 years having starred in more than 100 films and is an Oscar®, Golden Globe®, Emmy® and BAFTA® award winner.

"Without question, Christopher Plummer is one of the greatest actors of his generation," said TCM host **Robert Osborne**, who also serves as the official host of the TCM Classic Film Festival. "From Captain von Trapp in *The Sound of Music* to his iconic stage and screen performance as *Barrymore* and his recent Academy Award®-winning contribution to *Beginners*, Mr. Plummer has given some of the most memorable performances of the last half-century, and we can't think of a better way to celebrate his illustrious career than with this honor."

This marks the fifth consecutive year TCM has featured a hand and footprint ceremony at the legendary TCL Chinese Theatre IMAX®. In 2011, Peter O'Toole was the honoree, followed by Kim Novak in 2012, Jane Fonda in 2013 and Jerry Lewis in 2014.



Christopher Plummer Biography

Christopher Plummer has enjoyed almost 60 years as one of the theatre's most respected actors and as a veteran of over 100 motion pictures. Raised in Montreal, he began his professional career on stage and radio in both French and English. After Eva Le Gallienne gave him his New York debut (1954) he went on to star in many celebrated productions on Broadway and London's West End winning accolades on both sides of the Atlantic. He has won two Tony Awards for the musical *Cyrano* and for *Barrymore* plus seven Tony nominations, his latest for his *King Lear* (2004) and for his Clarence Darrow in *Inherit the Wind* (2007); also three Drama Desk Awards and the National Arts Club Medal. A former leading member of the Royal National Theatre under Sir Laurence Olivier and the Royal Shakespeare Company under Sir Peter Hall, where he won London's Evening Standard Award for Best Actor in *Becket*, he has also led Canada's Stratford Festival in its formative years under Sir Tyrone Guthrie and Michael Langham.

Since Sidney Lumet introduced him to the screen in *Stage Struck* (1958), his range of notable films include *The Man Who Would Be King*, *Battle of Britain*, *Waterloo*, *Fall of The Roman Empire*, *Star Trek VI*, *Twelve Monkeys* and the 1965 Oscar-winning *The Sound of Music*. More recent films include *The Insider* (as Mike Wallace; the National Film Critics Award), the acclaimed *A Beautiful Mind*, *Man in the Chair*, *Must Love Dogs*, *National Treasure*, *Syriana* and *Inside Man*. His TV appearances, which number close to 100, include the Emmy-winning BBC *Hamlet at Elsinore* playing the title role; the Emmy-winning productions *The Thornbirds*, *Nuremberg*, *Little Moon of Alban* and HBO's *Muhammad Ali's Greatest Fight* earning him seven Emmy nominations and taking home two Emmys.

Apart from honors in the UK, USA, Austria and Canada, he was the first performer to receive the Jason Robards Award in memory of his great friend, the Edwin Booth Award and the Sir John Gielgud Quill Award. In 1968, sanctioned by Elizabeth II, he was invested as a Companion of the Order of Canada (an honorary knighthood). An Honorary Doctor of Fine Arts at Juilliard, he also received the Governor General's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2000. In 1986 he was inducted into the Theater Hall of Fame and in 2000 Canada's Walk of Fame.

Plummer's more recent projects include the highly praised animated films *Up*, *9* and *My Dog Tulip*, as well as the title role in *The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus*, directed by Terry Gilliam. He played the great novelist Tolstoy opposite Helen Mirren in *The Last Station* for Sony Classics where he received his first Academy Award nomination in 2010. He followed that up the next year with another nomination and a win for Best Supporting Actor in *Beginners* from writer/director Mike Mills and appeared in David Fincher's *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* that same year. In July and August 2012, he returned to the Stratford Festival to perform his one-man show that he created entitled *A Word or Two*, directed by Des McAnuff. In 2014, he starred opposite Oscar winner Shirley MacLaine in *Elsa & Fred* directed by Michael Radford, *Hector And The Search for Happiness* directed by Peter Chelsom. In 2105, he will star in *Danny Collins* opposite Al Pacino and Annette Bening for writer/director Dan Fogelman and *The Forger* opposite John Travolta directed by Phillip Martin.

His recent self-written best selling memoir, *In Spite of Myself* (Afred A. Knopf Publishers) is being much lauded by critics and public alike.

About The TCL Chinese Theatre IMAX®

Since 1927, The TCL Chinese Theatre has been the home of the most important, star powered red carpet movie premieres and special events, where Hollywood's biggest and brightest talents have come to watch their movies. The most famous movie theatre on the globe is world-renowned for its unique forecourt of the stars, featuring cement hand and footprints of major movie stars, from Marilyn Monroe to Brad Pitt, and numerous stars from all eras of Hollywood. In 2013, the main theatre was relaunched as the world's largest IMAX® theatre.

About the 2015 TCM Classic Film Festival

For the sixth consecutive year, thousands of movie lovers from around the globe will descend upon Hollywood for the **TCM Classic Film Festival**. The 2015 festival is set to take place **Thursday, March 26 – Sunday, March 29, 2015**. 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.

The theme for the 2015 TCM Classic Film Festival will be ***History According to Hollywood***:

The Old West. Medieval England. Ancient Rome. Hollywood has found endless inspiration in re-creating historical moments and bringing to life the heroes and villains of the past, creating a form of time travel for audiences through the ages and around the world. These films, however, are not always true to the historical record. Filmmakers have often created works about the past that are a reflection of the period in which they were made, or change facts to suit a particular storyline. The 2015 TCM Classic Film Festival will explore how cinema has shaped how we view – and remember – history.

TCM host and film historian **Robert Osborne** will once again serve as official host of the TCM Classic Film Festival, with TCM's **Ben Mankiewicz** introducing various events. The festival's official hotel and central gathering point for the sixth consecutive year will be **The Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel**, which has a longstanding role in movie history and was the site of the first Academy Awards® 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.

Festival Passes

Passes for the 2015 TCM Classic Film Festival are on sale now and can be purchased exclusively through the official festival website: www.tcm.com/festival. The number of passes available, especially top-level "Spotlight" passes, is limited.

The "Spotlight" Festival Pass: \$1,649 – Includes all privileges available to "Classic" and "Essential" passholders, priority entry to all screening events; plus entry to the exclusive Opening Night Gala Party following the Red Carpet Gala screening at TCL Chinese Theatre IMAX; meet-and-greet events with TCM friends, including Robert Osborne and Ben Mankiewicz; and a limited edition TCM Classic Film Festival poster.

The "Essential" Festival Pass: \$749 – Includes all privileges available to "Classic" passholders, plus entry to the Red Carpet Gala screening at TCL Chinese Theatre IMAX and official TCM Classic Film Festival collectibles.

The "Classic" Festival Pass: \$599 – Includes access to all film programs at festival venues Thursday, March 26 – Sunday, March 29 (does not include admittance to the Opening Night Red Carpet Gala screening at TCL Chinese Theatre IMAX or the Opening Night Gala 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 "Palace" Festival Pass: \$299 – Includes access to all screenings and events at the TCL Chinese Theatre (excluding the Opening Night Red Carpet Gala), the Egyptian Theatre and poolside screenings at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel Friday, March 27 – Sunday, March 29.

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. TCM, which is available in more than 85 million homes, features the insights of hosts Robert Osborne and Ben Mankiewicz, plus interviews with a wide range of special guests. Currently in its 21st year as a leading authority in classic film, TCM offers critically acclaimed original documentaries and specials; film series like *The Essentials*, and *Friday Night Spotlight*; and annual programming events like *31 Days of Oscar®* in February, *Summer Under the Stars* in August and *TCM Essentials Jr.* during the summer. TCM also connects with movie fans through such 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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