

**THE DAVIS MUSEUM AT WELLESLEY COLLEGE TO HOST
OUTDOOR SCREENINGS OF CLASSIC MUSEUM-RELATED MOVIES
First Outdoor Summer Film Series Part of “The Davis ReDiscovered” Celebration**

WELLESLEY, Mass. – This summer, the Davis Museum at Wellesley College will host its first-ever outdoor film series, ***The Davis ReDiscovered: Summer Film Series 2016***. The series includes four family-friendly movies that feature a museum in the story: *Night at the Museum*, *Ferris Bueller’s Day Off*, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, and *Percy Jackson & The Olympians: The Lightning Thief*. From teenagers enjoying an action-packed day off from school in Chicago, to a security guard managing exhibits as they come to life and wreak havoc in a natural history museum, the storylines will engage visitors of all ages.

The film series is part of a campus-wide celebration leading up to the unveiling of the Davis Museum’s reinstatement of its permanent collections galleries. “As part of the Davis ReDiscovered initiative, we are taking advantage of the Davis Museum plaza to screen great movies that each feature a museum in some way,” said Dr. Lisa Fischman, Ruth Gordon Shapiro ’37 Director of the Davis Museum at Wellesley College. “Although the Davis Museum is closed for part of the summer for the reinstatement, there is still a way to come together to enjoy the beautiful summer evenings with friends and family.”

The films will be projected on the outside of the Davis Museum building. Visitors are welcome to arrive as early as 7 p.m. to enjoy art-making activities for all ages, and to get settled into their viewing spot. There will be free popcorn at all screenings; ice cream and beer will be available for cash purchase.

Descriptions of the movies featured in the ***The Davis ReDiscovered: Summer Film Series 2016*** are below:

Night at the Museum (2006)

June 30, 2016

Screening begins at 8:30 p.m.

Good-hearted dreamer Larry Daley (Ben Stiller), despite being perpetually down on his luck, thinks he's destined for something big. But even he could never have imagined how big, when he accepts what appears to be a menial job as a graveyard-shift security guard at a museum of natural history. During Larry's watch, extraordinary things begin to occur: Mayans, Roman



Gladiators, and cowboys emerge from their diorama to wage epic battles; in his quest for fire, a Neanderthal burns down his own display; Attila the Hun pillages his neighboring exhibits, and a T-Rex reminds everyone why he's history's fiercest predator. Amidst the chaos, the only person Larry can turn to for advice is a wax figure of President Teddy Roosevelt (Robin Williams), who helps our hero harness the bedlam, stop a nefarious plot, and save the museum.



Ferris Bueller's Day Off (1986)

July 14, 2016

Screening begins at 8:30 p.m.

It's a fantastic spring day, and their final school year is almost over. That's all the reason Ferris Bueller (Matthew Broderick) needs to declare an unofficial day off from

classes. Concocting a brilliant plan that has everyone but his sister and the high school principal fooled, Bueller and company head off for a day of outrageous fun in Chicago. With John Hughes in the director's chair, Ferris Bueller's Day Off is '80s comedy at its very best.

Raiders of the Lost Ark (1981)

July 28, 2016

Screening begins at 8:15 p.m.

Renowned archeologist and expert in the occult, Dr. Indiana Jones (Harrison Ford), is hired by the U.S. Government to find the Ark of the Covenant, which is believed to still hold the Ten Commandments.

Unfortunately, agents of Hitler are also after the Ark. Indy, and his ex-flame Marion (Karen Allen), escape from various close scrapes in a quest that takes them from Nepal to Cairo.





Percy Jackson & The Olympians: The Lightning Thief (2010)

August 11, 2016

Screening begins at 8:15 p.m.

Modern and mythical worlds collide in this thunderous fantasy-adventure starring Pierce Brosnan, Kevin McKidd and Uma Thurman as you've never seen them before! Percy Jackson is no ordinary teenager...he's just learned he's the son of Poseidon and is accused of stealing Zeus' -lightning bolt—the most powerful weapon ever created! With storm clouds brewing, Percy embarks on an incredible cross-country journey to prove his innocence, recover the bolt and prevent a war amongst the gods that could destroy our world!

ADMISSION

Admission to each film is open and free to the public. The Davis will provide free popcorn, and ice cream and beer will be available from a cash-only host bar. Visitors are encouraged to bring folding chairs and blankets for their comfort.

ABOUT THE DAVIS MUSEUM

One of the oldest and most acclaimed academic fine arts museums in the United States, the Davis Museum is a vital force in the intellectual, pedagogical and social life of Wellesley College. It seeks to create an environment that encourages visual literacy, inspires new ideas, and fosters involvement with the arts both within the College and the larger community.

ABOUT WELLESLEY COLLEGE AND THE ARTS

The Wellesley College arts curriculum and the highly acclaimed Davis Museum are integral components of the College's liberal arts education. Departments and programs from across the campus enliven the community with world-class programming—classical and popular music, visual arts, theater, dance, author readings, symposia, and lectures by some of today's leading artists and creative thinkers—most of which are free and open to the public.

Since 1875, Wellesley College has been the preeminent liberal arts college for women. Known for its intellectual rigor and its remarkable track record for the cultivation of women leaders in every arena, Wellesley—only 12 miles from Boston—is home to some 2300 undergraduates from every state and 75 countries.

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