



MEDIA ALERT
THE AMERICAN CINEMATHEQUE PRESENTS
THE 2012 PRESENTATION OF THE 26TH ANNUAL AMERICAN CINEMATHEQUE AWARD
HONORING BEN STILLER

WHO: This year's honoree is **Ben Stiller**

WHAT: The American Cinematheque Award presentation is one of Hollywood's premier annual events. The benefit dinner and live show are attended by prominent leaders in the entertainment industry. Each year the American Cinematheque Award honors "an extraordinary artist in the entertainment industry currently making a significant contribution to the Art of the Moving Picture." Past honorees are Eddie Murphy (1986), Bette Midler (1987), Robin Williams (1988), Steven Spielberg (1989), Ron Howard (1990), Martin Scorsese (1991), Sean Connery (1992), Michael Douglas (1993), Rob Reiner (1994), Mel Gibson (1995), Tom Cruise (1996), John Travolta (1997), Arnold Schwarzenegger (1998), Jodie Foster (1999), Bruce Willis (2000), Nicolas Cage (2001), Denzel Washington (2002), Nicole Kidman (2003), Steve Martin (2004), Al Pacino (2005), George Clooney (2006), Julia Roberts (2007), Samuel L. Jackson (2008), Matt Damon (2010) and Robert Downey Jr. (2011).

PRE CREDENTIALLED MEDIA ONLY. NO PRESS REGISTRATION ON SITE.

WHEN: **Thursday, November 15, 2012**

5:30 PM **Press Check-in opens on Plaza level across from the valet entrance. The hotel respectfully asks that media not arrive until check-in time. All places on the carpet will be marked ahead of time.**

6:30 PM **Arrivals begin. Red carpet is in the hotel lobby.**

7:00 PM **Photo Op (THE INTERNATIONAL GALLERY ROOM) with Ben Stiller, Martin Short, Eugene Levy and the American Cinematheque Award.**
***ALL ATTENDEES WILL BE ASKED TO DISPLAY PHOTO ID (CA Driver's License or passport) IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT. Attire for guests is Black Tie Optional (not for press). CAMERAS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE BALLROOM ITSELF. (No sound or picture feed.)**

WHERE: Beverly Hilton Hotel (9876 Wilshire Blvd. In Beverly Hills) -- International Ballroom.

PARKING: \$16 Parking at the Hilton Hotel's Self-Parking. Mention Ben Stiller event for discount.

HOTEL POLICY: NO lounge chair-like furniture to be placed within the press pit area. NO food or beverage on the red carpet. The lobby bar is open if you wish to dine, but no orders can be placed and brought onto the red carpet. These rules are in place for the safety of members of the media and guests.

WHO BENEFITS:

Funds raised go toward the American Cinematheque's operating costs for its year-round public film and video programs.

EVENT CO-CHAIRS: Judd Apatow, Stuart Cornfeld, Robert De Niro, Robert Downey Jr., Will Ferrell, Adam Fogelson, Jim Gianopulos, Adam Goodman, Brad Grey, Jonah Hill, Alan Horn, Jeffrey Katzenberg, Donna Langley, Shawn Levy, Shirley MacLaine, Leslie Mann, Ron Meyer, Lorne Michaels, Rick Nicita, James G. Robinson, Lawrence Rose, Jane Rosenthal, Tom Rothman, Ted Sarandos, Rick Shephard, Nick Stevens, Anne Meara & Jerry Stiller, Justin Theroux, Paula Wagner, Kristen Wiig, Owen Wilson.

AWARD PRESENTATION BY: Martin Short & Eugene Levy

PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS: Jennifer Aniston, Jack Black, David Cross, Laura Dern, Will Ferrell, Jeffrey Katzenberg, Eugene Levy, Patton Oswalt, Jay Roach, Martin Short, Christine Taylor and Justin Theroux.

PRESENTATION OF THE 3rd SYDNEY POLLACK AWARD TO MICHAEL KUTZA:

The Founder/Artistic Director of the Chicago International Film Festival will receive the Sydney Pollack Award from Cinematheque president Henry Shields, Jr. and Chairman, Rick Nicita.

EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS: Paul Flattery & Barbara Smith
DIRECTOR: Leslie Wilson
PRODUCER: Irene Crinita

WRITERS: Paul Flattery
EVENT PRODUCER: Mann Productions

AMERICAN CINEMATHEQUE: Established in 1981, the American Cinematheque is a nonprofit, viewer-supported film exhibition and cultural organization dedicated to the celebration of the Moving Picture in all its forms. The Cinematheque presents film and video programming that ranges from the classics and world cinema to the outer frontiers of the art form. Exhibition of rare works, special prints within our series, etc., are a Cinematheque tradition that keep the avid film lover coming back for once-in-a-lifetime cinema experiences. We also treat our audiences to fascinating post-screening discussions with the filmmakers who created the work. The American Cinematheque owns and operates the historic 1922 Egyptian Theatre on Hollywood Boulevard. The building has won every major preservation award since the completion of its renovation in 1998. The Cinematheque also programs the 1940 Aero Theatre on Montana Avenue in Santa Monica. Cinematheque is pronounced "Cinema-tech" like discotheque, not "Cinema-teek."

MULT-BOX: No Mult Box.

CLIPS: Credentialed media will be sent ftp information to access clips Friday morning, November 16.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Available upon request. Ben Stiller with the American Cinematheque Award; Rick Nicita (American Cinematheque Chairman); Henry Shields Jr. (Cinematheque President) and Barbara Smith (American Cinematheque Executive Director); plus arrivals. Available from all major photo agencies such as AP, Getty, Reuters, WireImage, etc. Photos obtained from agencies will require a fee.

More Information at www.americancinematheque.com

IMPORTANT LINKS FOR UPDATES:

American Cinematheque Website:

<http://www.americancinematheque.com>

Ben Stiller Event Webpage:

http://egyptiantheatre.com/ball/2012/2012_Ben_Stiller_AwardShow.htm

Ben Stiller. Event Press Release: http://egyptiantheatre.com/ball/2012/PressRelease1_Ben_Stiller_PressRelease2_2012.htm

Ben Stiller Event Facebook Page:

<http://www.facebook.com/BenStillerAwardShow?ref=hl>

Twitter: @sidgrauman

Sydney Pollack Award Recipient Michael Kutza Press Release

http://egyptiantheatre.com/ball/2012/PressRelease1_MichaelKutza_SydneyPollackAward_PressRelease2_2012.htm

WE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU TO MENTION THAT THIS EVENT IS A BENEFIT FOR THE AMERICAN CINEMATHEQUE IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR COVERAGE. PROVIDING US WITH COPIES OF YOUR COVERAGE, AND KEEPING IN TOUCH BY COVERING OUR MANY OTHER EVENTS AT THE AERO AND EGYPTIAN THEATRES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, WILL HELP TO BUILD YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CINEMATHEQUE. WE WELCOME NEW FRIENDS!!!

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