



\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY: Friday, May 3, 2013\*\*

## **Cineplex Entertainment announces May Front Row Centre Events**

Each month, Cineplex Entertainment brings great entertainment to theatres across Canada. With *Front Row Centre Events*, guests can watch the Met Opera, stage productions, classic movies and more – all on the big screen. You won't want to miss this month's exciting events. For a complete list of locations for each event, visit <a href="https://www.cineplex.com/events">www.cineplex.com/events</a>.

## **IN THE SPOTLIGHT THIS MONTH:**

## **Opera**



Francesca da Rimini (Encore)
Saturday, May 4, 2013 – 12:00 p.m. local time

Zandonai's compelling opera, inspired by an episode from Dante's Inferno, returns in the Met's ravishingly beautiful production, last seen in 1986. Dramatic soprano Eva-Maria Westbroek and tenor Marcello Giordani play the doomed lovers. Marco Armiliato conducts.

## **Sinister Cinema**



The Last Will & Testament of Rosalind Leigh Thursday, May 9, 2013 – 9:30 p.m. local time

An antiques collector inherits a house from his estranged mother only to discover that she had been living in a shrine devoted to a mysterious cult. Soon, he comes to suspect that his mother's oppressive spirit still lingers within her home and is using items in the house to contact him with an urgent message.



The ABC's of Death
Thursday, May 23, 2013 – 9:30 p.m. local time

Twenty-six directors show twenty-six ways to die in productions from fifteen countries. Inspired by children's educational books, the movie is made up of twenty-six chapters, each helmed by a different director who was assigned a letter of the alphabet and given free rein to pick a word and then create a story involving death.



American Mary
Thursday, May 30, 2013 – 9:30 p.m. local time

The story follows medical student, Mary Mason, as she becomes increasingly broke and disenchanted with the surgical world she once admired. The allure of easy money sends Mary into the world of underground surgeries which ends up leaving more marks on her than her so-called 'freakish' clientele.

### **Exhibition: Great Art on Screen**



Manet: Portraying Life (Encore)
Saturday, May 25, 2013 – 4:00 p.m. local time
Sunday, May 26, 2013 – 4:00 p.m. local time

An encore presentation of the first ever major exhibition in the UK devoted to the portraiture of Edouard Manet, spanning his entire career. The exhibition will bring together great works from across Europe, Asia and the U.S. Cinemagoers will see exclusive behind-the-scenes moments of the Royal Academy's exhibition preparation -- moments usually hidden from view -- and experience a detailed, superbly crafted biography of Manet and 19th century Paris. Host Tim Marlow and expert guests examine the work of one of the all-time great artists.

### **Classic Film Series**



**Roman Holiday** 

Sunday, May 5, 2013 – 12:45 p.m. local time Wednesday, May 8, 2013 – 7:00 p.m. local time Monday, May 13, 2013 – 7:00 p.m. local time

Princess Anne embarks on a highly publicized tour of European capitals. When she and her royal entourage arrive in Rome, she begins to rebel against her restricted, regimented schedule. One night Anne sneaks out of her room, hops into the back of a delivery truck and escapes her luxurious confinement. However, a sedative she was forced to take earlier starts to take effect, and the Princess is soon fast asleep on a public bench. She is found by Joe Bradley, an American newspaper reporter stationed in Rome. Once he realizes his good fortune, Joe promises his editor an exclusive interview with the Princess.

### **Music**

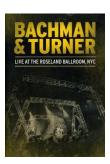


Paul McCartney & Wings: ROCKSHOW

Wednesday, May 15, 2013 – 7:15 p.m. local time

Wednesday, May 22, 2013 – 7:15 p.m. local time

ROCKSHOW is a 1980 concert film by Wings, filmed during their 1976 North American tour. It features 30 songs from four concerts of the tour: New York, May 25 (four songs); Seattle, Washington, June 10 (five songs); Los Angeles, California, June 22 (15 songs); and Los Angeles, California, June 23 (six songs). This was part of the Wings' *Over the World Tour* that also spawned the triple live album *Wings Over America*. McCartney remained reluctant to make the entire film available to the general public until now. The film will include an interview with Paul McCartney that will be exclusive to theatrical screenings.



An Evening with Randy: Special Presentation of Bachman and Turner Live at the Roseland Ballroom, NYC

Friday, May 17, 2013 - 7:30 p.m.

After reuniting for the first time in more than 20 years, Randy Bachman and Fred Turner, musicians at the heart of legendary band Bachman-Turner Overdrive, continue to thrill fans around the world with their power-driven tunes. In between their cross Atlantic jaunts, Bachman & Turner met up with special guest Paul Shaffer to tape an electric performance at New York's Roseland Ballroom on November 16, 2010. Live Q&A with Randy Bachman.

### **Sporting Event**



WWE Extreme Rules - 2013 Sunday, May 19, 2013 – 8:00 p.m. ET live

Are you ready to get extreme? Then don't miss John Cena, Ryback, Alberto Del Rio, The Shield and all your favorite WWE Superstars in the one night a year when extreme times call for *Extreme Rules*. Live in HD, on the big screen.

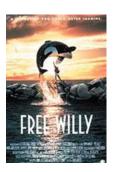
## **Family Favourites**



Secret of Nimh

Saturday, May 4, 2013 – 11:00 a.m. local time

Mrs. Brisby is a widowed, mother field mouse, who bravely tries to save her family's home from being destroyed by a farmer's plow. After attempting this on her own, she realizes that she needs the help of the rats who live under a nearby rosebush and came from NIMH, the National Institute of Mental Health. The rats have ways that seem strange to Mrs. Brisby, but they are intelligent, and are the only ones who can help her. When Mrs. Brisby learns the secret of NIMH, her life could be completely changed.



Free Willy

### Saturday, May 11, 2013 – 11:00 a.m. local time

A boy's best friend is his whale in this gentle coming-of-age story. Jesse (Jason James Richter) is an orphan placed in foster care after being caught vandalizing the local amusement park. When he's sentenced to cleaning up the park's whale exhibit, he finds new friends in the employees (Lori Petty, August Schellenberg) and the orca in their charge. When the whale's life is threatened by the park's greedy owner (Michael Ironside), it's up to the boy to release his unlikely friend from captivity.



## Tale of Despereaux

### Saturday, May 18, 2013 - 11:00 a.m. local time

In the faraway kingdom of Dor, four unlikely heroes emerge: Despereaux, a brave mouse banished to the dungeon for speaking with a human; Roscuro, a good-hearted rat who loves light and soup, but is exiled to darkness; Pea, a Princess in a gloomy castle who is prisoner to her father's grief; and Mig, a servant girl who longs to be a Princess, but is forced to serve the jailer. Tiny and graced with oversized ears, Despereaux was born too big for his little world. Refusing to live his life cowering, he befriends a Princess named Pea and learns to read (rather than eat) books--reveling in stories of knights, dragons and fair maidens. Banished from Mouseworld for being more man than mouse, Despereaux is rescued by another outcast, Roscuro, who also wants to hear the tales. But when the Princess dismisses Roscuro's friendship, he becomes the ultimate rat and plots revenge with fellow outsider Mig. After Pea is kidnapped, Despereaux discovers he is the only one who can rescue her--and that even the tiniest mouse can find the courage of a knight in shining armor.



#### Matilda

### Saturday, May 25, 2013 - 11:00 a.m. local time

Matilda is an extraordinary girl, a child of wondrous intelligence. Unfortunately, her neglectful and unintelligent parents, Harry and Zinnia Wormwood, are too wrapped up in their own lives to care, or even to notice, that their daughter is a budding genius, in love with books and learning. When the Wormwoods finally grant Matilda's wish to attend school, they bundle her off to Crunchem Hall, a bleak brick prison where students cower before the whip, hand and fist of principal Agatha Trunchbull. Amid Crunchem's darkness, Matilda finds a single light in warm-hearted Miss. Honey, the first-grade teacher who recognizes the girl's remarkable skills--including a very special talent that allows the spirited girl to turn the tables on the wicked grown-ups in her world.

### **Most Wanted Mondays**



Full Metal Jacket
Sunday, May 19 – 9:30 p.m. local time
Monday, May 27 2013 – 7:00 p.m. local time

A two-segment story that follows a group of Marine recruits from the harrowing experience of boot camp to the horrifying battlefronts of Vietnam.

#### **Dance**



Romeo and Juliet - Bolshoi Ballet Live Sunday, May 12, 2013 - 12:55 p.m.

To Prince Escalus' dismay, the rivalry between the Capulets and Montagues brings bloodshed to the city of Verona. Romeo, heir of the Montagues, is distraught as his love for Rosaline is not returned. To console him, his friend Mercutio persuades him to attend the ball Capulet has organised to find possible suitors for his daughter Juliet. Romeo attends the ball incognito at the Capulet house. However, when Romeo meets Juliet, the two fall instantly in love with each other. They are overwhelmed when they discover they belong to two rival families.

## **National Theatre Live**



This House

Thursday, May 16, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.

It's 1974 and the corridors of Westminster ring with the sound of infighting and backbiting as Britain's political parties battle to change the future of the nation, whatever it takes. In this hung parliament, the ruling party holds on by a thread. Votes are won and lost by one, fist fights erupt in the bars, and ill MPs are hauled in to cast their votes. It's a time when a staggering number of politicians die, and age-old traditions and allegiances are thrown aside in the struggle for power. James Graham's biting, energetic and critically-acclaimed new play strips politics down to the practical realities of those behind the scenes who roll up their sleeves, and on occasion bend the rules, to maneuver a diverse and conflicting chorus of MPs within the Mother of all Parliaments.

## **Special Live Presentation**



# Wait Wait...Don't Tell Me! Live Thursday, May 2, 2013 – 8:00 p.m. ET live

It's Wait Wait... Don't Tell Me! like you've never seen it before! Because, well, normally you can't see it...it's a radio show. A live staging of Wait Wait... Don't Tell Me! presented by Front Row Centre Events, NPR, WBEZ-Chicago, and BY Experience, will be beamed to select cinemas across the country on Thursday, May 2nd, 2013. Host Peter Sagal and official judge and scorekeeper Carl Kasell will be joined by panelists Paula Poundstone, Mo Rocca and Tom Bodett to play the quiz in front of a live audience. Carl reading limericks! Celebrity guests answering stupid questions! Faces made for radio! You've heard it in stereo, now see it live in glorious high definition and yes, 2D! Don't miss Wait Wait... Don't Tell Me! Select theater locations will present an additional showing on Saturday, May 11th at 12:45 PM (local time).

### 50th Anniversary Presentation



### Cleopatra

Wednesday, May 22, 2013 – 2:30 and 6:30 p.m.

This historical epic film captures the triumphs and tragedy of the Egyptian queen, Cleopatra.

### **Coming in June:**

- June 2, 2013 Disney Nature Series: Chimpanzee
- June 9, 12, 17 & 20, 2013 Classic Film Series The Great Escape
- June 13, 2013 National Theatre Live The Audience
- June 27 & 28, 2013 Exhibition: Great Art on Screen Munch 150

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