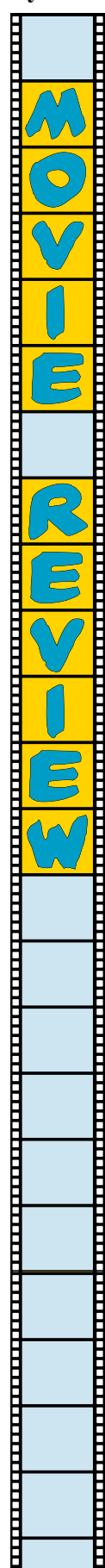


Leonard Maltin to be honored at the 21st California Independent Film Festival

By Derek Zemrak



Leonard Maltin

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The 21st California Independent Film Festival is less than two months away and planning is already in full swing. The dates for the festival are Aug. 24-30 in Rheem and Orinda Theatres and it will end on Sept. 1 at the Castro Theatre in San Francisco.

CAIFF Director Lindsay Pirkle and I, president and founder, are very pleased to announce our first honoree, Mr. Leonard Maltin.

Maltin is one of the world's most respected film critics and historians. He is best known for his widely-used reference work, "Leonard Maltin's Movie Guide," and its companion volume "Leonard Maltin's Classic Movie Guide," as well as his 30-year run on television's Entertainment Tonight. He teaches at the USC School of Cinematic Arts, appears regularly on Reelz Channel and Turner Classic Movies, and hosts the weekly podcast "Maltin on Movies" with Baron Vaughn on the Earwolf network. His books include "The 151 Best Movies You've Never Seen," "Of Mice and Magic: A History of American Animated Cartoons," "The Great Movie Comedians," "The Disney Films," "The Art of the Cinematographer," "Movie Comedy Teams," "The Great American Broadcast," and "Leonard Maltin's Movie Encyclopedia." He served two terms as president of the Los Angeles Film Critics Association, is a voting member of the National Film Registry, and was appointed by

the Librarian of Congress to sit on the board of directors of the National Film Preservation Foundation. He hosted and co-produced the popular Walt Disney Treasures DVD series and has appeared on innumerable television programs and documentaries. He is the recipient of awards from the Los Angeles Film Critics Association, American Society of Cinematographers, the Telluride Film Festival, George Eastman House, Anthology Film Archives, and San Diego's Comic-Con International. Perhaps the pinnacle of his career was his appearance in a now-classic episode of "South Park." (Or was it Carmela consulting his Movie Guide on an episode of "The Sopranos"?)

Leonard Maltin will be honored on Sunday, Aug. 26 at the Orinda Theatre with the 2018 Golden Slate Award, for his years of contribution to film and film history. The afternoon will begin with a VIP reception at Cine Cuvée at 1:30 p.m. followed by a lecture from Maltin on the history of cinema at 3 p.m. Tickets for this event and all other CAIFF events will be going on sale July 1 to CAIFF members first, followed by the public.

"We are very excited about this year's film festival and the reopening of the Rheem Theatre. We will be making more announcements for our amazing list of honorees and the award-winner films from around the world in the upcoming weeks," states Pirkle.

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Step in on a Thursday and join us for our lunch meeting.
Thursday at noon Oakwood Athletic Club, 4000 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette.

June 28: Happy 4th of July

Kathy Merchant President of the Lafayette chamber.

July 5: no meeting

July 14 is the 4th annual Tribute To The Troops at the Lafayette Res new stage
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Fourth of July festivities in Moraga and Orinda



Looking for something fun to do on the Fourth of July? You won't have to go far, with many wonderful activities offered in Moraga and Orinda to help you celebrate. Start the day off with a full day of parades, pancakes, fun and games, starting with a fun run/walk at 7:30 a.m., a dog parade at 9 a.m., and the ever-popular children's bike parade kicking off at 10:30 a.m. at the Moraga Commons Park. Stick around for lots of fun entertainment, like jumpies and magic shows, as well as food, beer and wine and – of course – the fireworks after listening to the Dave Martin House Party closing celebration. To sign up for the fun run visit moragafunrun.com or buy a rocket in support of this event at moragarec.com.

Looking for more in Lamorinda? Not to worry. The city of Orinda will be rocking on the Fourth as well, starting with the Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary Pancake Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. followed by the flag raising ceremony at 7:55 a.m. at the Library Plaza in front of the Orinda Community Center before the start of the Haley's Color Fun Run for a Reason, which will offer participants a chance to enjoy a 2-mile run/walk or a 5-mile run through scenic parts of Orinda (see story on page B5). The EFO Big Band and EFO Summer Band will entertain participants assembled for the parade, which starts at 10 a.m.

Everyone is invited to meet up afterward at the Community Park for music and activities from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Have a happy and safe Independence Day!

