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November 2014

**November Exhibitions, Programs, and Events
at THE WALT DISNEY FAMILY MUSEUM**

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS

[All Aboard: A Celebration of Walt's Trains](#)

November 13, 2014–February 9, 2015

All Aboard: A Celebration of Walt's Trains explores the influence that railroading had on Walt Disney's life and work, and how his railroading legacy lives on to this day in Disney films and theme parks around the world. Through rare artifacts, firsthand accounts, archival videos, images, and running model trains, guests will learn how Walt's passion for trains developed before manifesting itself in Disney short cartoons, feature films, and in Walt's personal life at home.

[The Lost Notebook: Secrets of Disney's Movie Magic](#)

November 26, 2014–January 12, 2015

Go behind the lens with one of the most enigmatic and fascinating characters of early animation: Herman Schultheis. On view from November 26 through January 12, 2015, *The Lost Notebook: Secrets of Disney's Movie Magic* shares the special-effects wizardry behind *Fantasia*, *Pinocchio*, *Dumbo*, and *Bambi*, which was found in covert scrapbooks from this technician who worked at The Walt Disney Studios in the late 1930s.

SCREENINGS

FILM OF THE MONTH: [Disney and World War II \(Animated Shorts\)](#)

Showtimes: 1:30 & 4pm daily (check [calendar](#) for exceptions) | Theater

Free with museum admission

View selected animated shorts produced by Disney in the 1940s to promote the war effort.

Note: The museum is closed on Tuesdays

TALKS

[SPOTLIGHT TALKS | Schultheis Notebook](#)

Every Fri, Sat & Sun in Nov | 11am, 1 & 3pm

Free with museum admission

Herman Schultheis, a technician at the Walt Disney Studios, created a notebook that was brimming with special-effects wizardry. It's a wonderful scrapbook filled with photographs, diagrams, and written descriptions demonstrating the experimental and collaborative nature of the studio during the making of films such as *Fantasia*, and *Pinocchio*. This was a magical time at the studios when it arguably produced some of its most ground-breaking work. Join us as we discuss the Schultheis Notebook and the impact it had on the entertainment world.

[TALK | I've Been Working on the Railroad: Imagineering Walt's Trains](#)

Sat, Nov 15 | 3-4:30pm

\$18 members | \$20 general | \$15 youth (17 and under)

Find out what it's like to conceive, design, build, and test a Disney park railroad according to Walt's vision. Hear the stories behind such popular attractions as Big Thunder Mountain Railroad, the Lilly Belle Parlor Car, and the Wildlife Express Train, as told by three accomplished railroaders who together share over 100 years of Disney Imagineering experience: Tony Baxter, former senior vice president creative development; Joel Fritsche, executive director; and Ray Spencer, executive creative director. Michael Campbell, president of the Carolwood Pacific Historical Society, moderates the discussion.

[TALK | The Lost Notebook: Herman Schultheis and the Secrets of Walt's Movie Magic](#)

Sat, Nov 22 | 3pm

\$18 members | \$20 general | \$15 youth (17 and under)

Join author and Academy Award-winning animation director and designer John Canemaker for a discussion of one of early animation's most enigmatic and fascinating characters, Herman Schultheis. Canemaker relates the discovery of the technician's long-hidden scrapbook of behind-the-scenes special-effects wizardry and ingenuity of early Disney films.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

[SPECIAL PROGRAM | A Day of Space at The Walt Disney Family Museum](#)

Sat, Nov 8 | 10am-5pm

\$10 members | \$12 non-members

In collaboration with the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics and in conjunction with the Bay Area Science Festival, scientists and Disney historians discuss and demonstrate Walt's influence on the Space Age with his "Man in Space" television series.

CLASSES & ACTIVITIES

[OPEN STUDIO | Stop-Motion Animation](#)

Sat & Sun, Nov 1 & 2, Nov 9 | 1-4pm | Learning Center

FREE with museum admission

Explore hands-on activities in stop motion animation as you make three-dimensional objects come to life in a short animated film.

[OPEN STUDIO | Miniature Diorama Train: What You're Thankful For](#)

Sat & Sun, Nov 1 & 2, Nov 9 | 1-4pm | Learning Center

FREE with museum admission

Explore hands-on activities in stop motion animation as you make three-dimensional objects come to life in a short animated film.

[LITTLE OPEN STUDIO | Summer With Fall!](#)

Every Saturday in [Nov](#) & [Dec](#) | 10-noon | Learning Center

FREE with museum admission

It's getting cooler out, the night comes earlier, fall is in the air! Come join us in Little Open Studio to explore this wonderful time of year. Through open-ended, collaborative art activities, visitors will transform our

Learning Center into a magical nighttime forest. Together we'll explore the sights, sounds, and feelings of autumn.

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ABOUT THE MUSEUM

The Walt Disney Family Museum presents the fascinating story and achievements of Walt Disney, the man who raised animation to an art, transformed the film industry, tirelessly pursued innovation, and created a global and distinctively American legacy. Opened in October 2009, the 40,000 square foot facility features the newest technology and historic materials and artifacts to bring Disney's achievements to life, with interactive galleries that include early drawings and animation, movies, music, listening stations, a spectacular model of Disneyland and much more.

Hours: 10am to 6pm, Wednesdays through Monday; closed on Tuesdays and the following public holidays: New Year's Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

Where: The Presidio of San Francisco, 104 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA 94129

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