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THE DAVIS MUSEUM AT WELLESLEY COLLEGE TO HOST THIRD ANNUAL OUTDOOR SUMMER FILM SERIES Free Fun Fridays Joins the Davis Summer Lineup



WELLESLEY, Mass. – This summer, the Davis Museum at Wellesley College will host its third-annual outdoor <u>film series</u>, which will present a mix of original, new, and remastered musicals. The *Summer Film Series 2018* includes four family-friendly films that feature beloved music in the story: From an adventure to a magical land, to New York City antics, to a nanny that highlights the importance of having fun as a family, the storylines will appeal to visitors of all ages. The Davis Museum will also host its first *Free Fun*

<u>Fridays</u> event on Friday, August 3, an annual statewide cultural event hosted by the <u>Highland</u> Street Foundation.

"We invite the public to attend our free summer events and enjoy all the Davis has to offer," said Arthurina Fears, Manager of Museum Education and Programs. "The summer brings us new opportunities to accommodate the local community on and off campus."

The films will be projected on the outside of the Davis Museum building. Visitors are welcome to arrive as early as 7 p.m. for tours of the permanent collection inside the Davis, enjoy art-making activities for all ages at 7:30 on the Davis Plaza, and get settled into their viewing spot before the movie begins at sundown. At all screenings, there will be free popcorn and ice cream available as well as beer and cider for adults.

Descriptions of the movies featured in the Summer Film Series 2018 are below:

The Wizard of Oz (1939) June 28, 2018

Dorothy Gale is swept away from a farm in Kansas to a magical land of Oz in a tornado and embarks on a quest with her new friends to see the Wizard who can help her return home in Kansas and help her friends.



The Muppets (2011) July 12, 2018



While on vacation in Los Angeles, Walter, the world's biggest Muppet fan, his brother Gary, and friend Mary uncover the diabolical plot of a greedy oil millionaire to destroy the Muppet Theater. Now, the Muppet-loving trio must reunite Kermit, Miss Piggy, Fozzie Bear and their friends to stage the greatest Muppet telethon ever and save their beloved theater.

Mary Poppins (1964) July 26, 2018

In turn of the century London, a magical nanny employs music and adventure to help two children become closer to their father.



August 9: Beauty and the Beast (2017) August 9, 2018

The story and characters you know and love come to life in the live-action adaptation of Disney's classic Beauty and the Beast, a cinematic event celebrating one of the most beloved tales ever told.

Free Fun Fridays Friday, August 3, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

FREE Admission

Explore the Davis, participate in hands-on art making for all ages, self-guided gallery activities, a treasure hunt, storytelling, multisensory art kits, and Student Guide-led spotlight talks throughout the day. Take advantage of the warm weather and bring a picnic to enjoy outdoors on the Davis Plaza before or after your visit!

The Summer Film Series 2018 is supported by Big Gay Ice Cream.

Free Fun Fridays are generously sponsored by the Highland Street Foundation.

ADMISSION

Admission to each film is open and free to the public. The Davis will provide free popcorn for the kids, and beer and cider for the adults. Visitors are encouraged to bring folding chairs and blankets for their comfort.

Free Fun Fridays are free and open to the public.

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, theatre, 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 a leader in providing an excellent liberal arts education for women who will make a difference in the world. Its 500-acre campus near Boston is home to some 2,400 undergraduate students from 49 states and 58 countries.

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