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Turner Classic Movies To Honor Founder and Media Icon Ted Turner On Opening Night Of The 10th Annual TCM Classic Film Festival

Tribute Will Include Exclusive Interview with Ted Turner in Honor of TCM's 25th Anniversary Celebration



Turner Classic Movies (TCM) will honor its founder and media titan, **Ted Turner**, on **opening night of the 10th annual TCM Classic Film Festival on April 11**. **TCM Host Ben Mankiewicz** sat down for an exclusive interview with Mr. Turner where they explored Turner's cultural impact on the film and television industry, his deep passion for preserving and sharing classic film with future generations, and the special place TCM holds in the entertainment industry. The interview and video tribute will premiere on opening night of the festival with Mr. Turner in attendance.

"Without Ted Turner there simply would be no Turner Classic Movies. Ted's maverick spirit saw the potential in utilizing Hollywood's great film libraries on a TV network that could serve as a home for these iconic classics," **said Jennifer Dorian, general manager of TCM**. "There is no greater place to honor his work and his legacy than at the TCM Classic Film Festival while the brand celebrates its 25th anniversary - a milestone we couldn't have reached without Ted's incredible vision."

"Turner Classic Movies was a passion project of mine, born of my love for classic films," **said Ted Turner**. "I'm very proud to have played a role in honoring these great works through the years, and hope they continue to provide just as much joy and entertainment to TCM viewers as they have to me."

To view an exclusive clip from the tribute to Ted Turner, please visit <http://myt.cm/ted>

For a full bio and headshot, please visit filmfestival.tcm.com

About Turner Classic Movies (TCM)

Turner Classic Movies (TCM) is a two-time Peabody Award-winning network that presents great films, uncut and commercial-free, from the largest film libraries in the world highlighting the entire spectrum of film history. TCM features the insights from Primetime host Ben Mankiewicz along with hosts Alicia Malone and Dave Karger, plus interviews with a wide range of special guests and serves as the ultimate movie lover destination. Currently in its 25th year as a leading authority in classic film, TCM offers critically acclaimed series like The Essentials, along with annual programming events like 31 Days of Oscar® in February and Summer Under the Stars in August. TCM also directly connects with movie fans through events as the annual TCM Classic Film Festival in Hollywood, the TCM Big Screen Classics series in partnership with Fathom Events, as well as through the TCM

Classic Film Tour in New York City and Los Angeles. In addition, TCM produces a wide range of media about classic film, including books and DVDs, and hosts a wealth of material online at tcm.com and through the Watch TCM mobile app.

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