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SCREAMFEST HORROR FILM FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES SECOND WAVE OF ITS 2018 LINE UP

Gale Anne Hurd to be Honored with Career Achievement Award

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. – October 3, 2018 – Screamfest Horror Film Festival, America's largest, and longest running horror movie festival, announces the second wave of its festival line up. The fest, which will run from Oct. 9-18, 2018 at the TCL Chinese 6 Theatres in Hollywood, will showcase the West Coast premiere of *The Unthinkable*, the West Coast premiere of *Welcome to Mercy* and the U.S. premiere of the animated feature "*Chuck Steel: Night of The Trampires.*"

This year, Screamfest will also honor prolific film and television producer Gale Anne Hurd with the Career Achievement Award on October 16th followed by a screening of *Aliens The Terminator*. Hurd started her career working with legendary director and producer Roger Corman at New World Pictures. She then launched her career when she produced and cowrote her first feature film, *The Terminator*, which was a box office and critical success. This success was quickly followed by *Aliens*, which received seven nominations and two Academy Awards[®]. Today, she is not only an executive producer of AMC's "The Walking Dead," she also executive produces "Fear the Walking Dead" and consults with AMC's top-rated talk show, "The Talking Dead."

Aside from a myriad of the highly anticipated horror films it will showcase this year, Screamfest will also host the following special anniversary screenings:

Bride of Chucky

 In honor of the upcoming 20th Anniversary of the release of *Bride of Chucky*, Screamfest will present a special screening of the film on Friday, Oct. 12th at 7PM followed by a Q&A with writer Don Mancini and producer David Kirschner. Chucky, the doll possessed by a serial killer (Brad Dourif), discovers the perfect mate to kill and revive into the body of another doll (Jennifer Tilly).

The Serpent and the Rainbow

In honor of the upcoming 30th Anniversary of the release of *The Serpent and the Rainbow*, Screamfest will present a special screening of the film on Wed. Oct. 10th followed by a Q&A with David Ladd and Bob Engelman. An anthropologist (Bill Pullman) goes to Haiti after hearing rumors about a drug used by black magic practitioners to turn people into zombies.

This year's Screamfest will showcase a total of TBD feature films. Badges are currently on sale to the general public at <u>www.ScreamfestLA.com</u> and individual film tickets and day passes will also be available for all films including this year's second wave line up:

The Unthinkable - 2018 - West Coast Premiere

Closing Night film

Directed by Victor Danell (as Crazy Pictures)

Written by Christoffer Nordenrot & Victor Danell (as Crazy Pictures)

Cast: Christoffer Nordenrot, Lisa Henni, Jesper Barkselius, Pia Halvorsen

Produced by Crazy Pictures

When Sweden faces a mysterious attack Alex is forced back to his childhood village. There he must be reconciled with both his father and youth love, Anna, while they all struggle to survive.

Welcome To Mercy – 2018 - West Coast Premiere

Directed by Tommy Bertelsen Written by Kristen Ruhlin Cast: Kristen Ruhlin, Eileen Davies, Lily Newmark and Toms Liepajnieks Produced by Cary Granat, Darren Goldberg, Ed Jones, Joel Michaely, Max Pavlov, Yulia Zayceva, Serik Kushenov and Aslbek Mussin A young woman struggles against the unboly forces that possess her in this terrifying or

A young woman struggles against the unholy forces that possess her in this terrifying occult thriller. After being stricken with stigmata, single mother Madaline (Kristen Ruhlin) is sent to a remote convent where nothing is what it seems and her friend August (Lily Newmark) is seemingly the only person she can trust. Together, they must confront the demons inside Madaline before she becomes the Antichrist.

Chuck Steel: Night of The Trampires - 2018 - US Premiere of Animated Feature

Directed by Mike Mort

Written by Mike Mort

Cast: Mike Mort, Jennifer Saunders, Paul Whitehouse, Dan Russell, Jonnie Fiori, Samantha Coughlan

Produced by Mike Mort, Rupert Lywood, Randhir Singh, Joseph D'Morais

It's not 1985 anymore...it's 1986, and Chuck Steel is 'the best God damn cop on the force' according to his long suffering boss, Captain Jack Schitt. But even this maverick, renegade, loose cannon, lone wolf, cop on the edge, who doesn't play by the rules has his work cut out when the Governor of LA decides to reduce the licensing hours for clubs and bars triggering a sudden, inexplicable spate of high profile disappearances in the city. The disappearances all have the same thing in common, a crime scene covered in blood but with no sign of the victim. The police are perplexed until they get a break in the case when one of the victims manages to escape. Chuck goes to interview the victim at the hospital but is confronted by a crazed old man who introduces himself as Abraham Van Rental. He warns a disbelieving Chuck that an evil scourge is about to descend on the city of Los Angeles – the scourge of the TRAMPIRES – a mutated hybrid of vampire and tramp...

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ABOUT SCREAMFEST HORROR FILM FESTIVAL

Formed in August 2001 by film producer Rachel Belofsky, Screamfest Horror Film Festival is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that gives filmmakers and screenwriters in the horror and science fiction genres a venue to have their work showcased in the film industry. Among the numerous films that have been discovered and/or premiered at the festival include "Paranormal Activity," "30 Days of Night," "Trick 'r Treat" and "The Human Centipede." For more information, visit <u>www.ScreamfestLA.com</u> or email info@screamfestla.com. ###