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Nimoy Brings New Documentary to Escape Velocity

Washington, DC (Mar. 21, 2016) – The Museum of Science Fiction, the world’s first comprehensive science fiction museum, is very pleased to announce that Adam Nimoy, son of Leonard Nimoy, who played Mr. Spock on *Star Trek*, is coming to Escape Velocity (July 1-3) to discuss his father’s legacy and his new documentary film, *For the Love of Spock*.

For the Love of Spock is due to be released this summer to coincide with the 50th anniversary of *Star Trek*, which first aired on September 8, 1966. The film explores the development of the Spock character and his special relationship with Captain Kirk (William Shatner) and Dr. McCoy (DeForest Kelley), along with the magic that this “Triumvirate” brought to audiences around the world. The film includes interviews with original cast members as well as the new *Star Trek* cast, including Zachary Quinto who now plays Mr. Spock.

The documentary also looks at Leonard Nimoy's other artistic accomplishments and his work as a director – especially his hit movies *Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home* and *Three Men and a Baby*. For Adam Nimoy, the film reconciles a son’s long journey away from and back to his father and is also his loving tribute to a man adored by millions.

“I feel very fortunate that so much of this project came together before I lost my father last year. It brought a lot of open items to closure with a reflective way forward. I hope the film will give those that loved my dad some great memories and a few insights,” said Nimoy, director and producer of the film, a project that he began with his father in fall of 2014. “I think Dad would be very happy with how everything is turning out.”

In addition to screening parts of the documentary, Nimoy will join Rod Roddenberry on an Escape Velocity discussion panel moderated by screenwriter and Museum of Science Fiction advisory board member, Morgan Gendel, who wrote the Hugo Award-winning *Star Trek: The Next Generation* episode, “The Inner Light.”

“I’ve known both Adam and Rod for years and it’s fascinating to see how each has found a way to celebrate the work of their famous fathers,” said Gendel. “I expect the panel to be a very insightful look into the lives and legacies of two *Trek* icons.”

More information about this and other activities are available here:

www.museumofsciencefiction.org

escapevelocity.events

About the Museum of Science Fiction

The nonprofit Museum of Science Fiction will be the world’s first comprehensive science fiction museum, covering the history of the genre across the arts and providing a narrative on its relationship to the real world. The Museum will show how science fiction continually inspires individuals, influences cultures, and impacts societies. Also serving as an educational catalyst to expand interest in the science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM) areas, the Museum uses tools such as mobile applications and wifi-enabled display objects to engage and entertain. For a full press packet on the Museum of Science Fiction’s vision and other information, please visit:

www.museumofsciencefiction.org/presspacket

About Escape Velocity 2016

The Museum of Science Fiction and NASA are partnering to bring Escape Velocity 2016 to Washington, DC. The event will be like a micro futuristic world’s fair to promote STEAM educational activities within the context of science fiction using the fun of comic cons and fascination of science and engineering festivals. Escape Velocity 2016 seeks to make a measurable positive impact to boost informal learning on the more conceptually challenging academic areas. Escape Velocity's mission is to re-invigorate the interest of our young people in science, technology, engineering, art, and math by producing and presenting the most compelling, exciting, educational, and entertaining science festival in the United States using science fiction as the primary engine. Escape Velocity will achieve orbit on July 1 - 3, 2016 at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in Metropolitan Washington, DC. For a full press packet on Escape Velocity, please visit: escapevelocity.events/press-media

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