

FREE EVENT
TWO SCREENINGS!

UFOJIM Presents
THE UFO SYMPOSIUM



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SATURDAY, MARCH 28

FIRST SCREENING: DOORS OPEN: 9 AM | FILM: 9:30 AM | PANEL: 11:30 AM
ANDREWS HALL @ SONOMA COMMUNITY CENTER

SECOND SCREENING: SATURDAY, MARCH 28 | 9 PM @ SEBASTIANI

This year marks the 10th anniversary of The UFO Symposium and highlights UFOJim's unrelenting quest to bring the UFO phenomenon to the general public. His annual symposium at SIFF has showcased provocative films and educational panels, covering all aspects of the UFO subject. SIFF is the only mainstream film festival in the United States to hold this kind of event. UFOJim serves as an Executive Producer of this year's documentary film THE PHENOMENON.



THE PHENOMENON

This feature length documentary film, narrated by Peter Coyote, assembles the pieces of the UFO puzzle spanning over 70 years. Revealing a shocking "hidden history" that began in the late forties and early fifties, fleets of UFOs appeared in skies over nearly every state in the United States, culminating in a flyover of Washington, D.C. in 1952. Never-before-seen archival footage, coupled with interviews from high-level government officials, leads viewers to an inescapable conclusion: "We are not alone."

Lunch and UFO Expert Panel | 11:30 AM

Sonoma Community Center | AREA 51 (Room 110)

Join us after the film for a light lunch followed by a panel discussion with three experts from the film THE PHENOMENON.

PANEL

James Fox

DIRECTOR, THE PHENOMENON

If "The X-Files" fictional character Fox Mulder were real, he'd undoubtedly be filmmaker James Fox. He is convinced that UFOs are real and that governments have concealed this information from the public for over 70 years. Fox has created five previous films, which have appeared on the Sci-Fi, Learning, and History Channels. His current film THE PHENOMENON is being released in theaters across the US this fall.



Jacques Vallée

EXPERT WITNESS

Jacques Vallée is an active, independent investigator of UFO reports worldwide. He has extensively published his findings through books and films, leading Steven Spielberg to use him as the model of the French scientist in the widely popular 1977 film CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND. He became a close associate of Dr. J Allen Hynek, the US Air Force consultant on UFOs. He currently resides in San Francisco and is a featured advisor on THE PHENOMENON.



Christopher K. Mellon

EXPERT WITNESS

Christopher Mellon currently appears on the History Channel docuseries "Unidentified". He spent 20 years in the US intelligence community as Minority Staff Director of the Senate Intelligence Committee and the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Intelligence. He sits as Chair of the Advisory Board for To The Stars Academy of Arts and Sciences.



Don Sanchez

MODERATOR

Don Sanchez is a familiar face to San Francisco Bay Area TV viewers. He spent nearly 40 years at KGO-TV ABC 7 as a news and sports anchor, as well as the Arts & Entertainment reporter. He is a 5-time Emmy Award winner, a recipient of the prestigious Governor's Award for Lifetime achievement and was part KGO-TV's news team that received the Peabody Award for Excellence in Journalism for coverage of the Loma Prieta earthquake.



Jim Ledwith

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER | THE PHENOMENON

Jim Ledwith, AKA UFOJim, is an active researcher, lecturer, and classroom instructor on the topics of UFOs and Extraterrestrials. He holds widely popular educational classes—"The UFO Series"—in Northern California. He is a sought out guest on numerous radio

shows to speak on the UFO subject. Jim also created and curates the UFO Symposium, now in its 10th year, at the Sonoma International Film Festival.

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