

Saving Film & Television for Future Generations

UCLA Film & Television Archive, VIDIOTS and Ace Hotel Present a Special 30th Anniversary Screening of Heathers (1989), April 18, 2019 at The Theatre at Ace Hotel

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**LOS ANGELES, CA (Mar. 14, 2019) –** UCLA Film & Television Archive and VIDIOTS Foundation copresent *Heathers* (1989), the wickedest high school comedy of all time on Thursday, April 18, 2019, at 8:00 p.m., at The Theatre at Ace Hotel.

Calling all Swatch Dogs and Diet Coke heads for a special 30th anniversary screening of *Heathers*! To celebrate, director Michael Lehmann, screenwriter Daniel Waters, and co-star Lisanne Falk aka Heather McNamara, will be in the house for a post-screening conversation! It's gonna be Big Fun!

Starring Winona Ryder and Christian Slater as a pair of cynical teen rebels who take on the reigning clique of Heathers (Kim Walker, Shannen Doherty, and Falk) at Westerburg High, *Heathers* premiered in January 1989 at the U.S. Film and Video Festival, soon to be renamed Sundance. Though initial reviews were mixed, the dark comedy helped define Generation X and has since become a cult classic that transcends generations.

Recently, the *Heathers*' phenomenon came to include a rock musical stage adaptation. *Heathers: The Musical*, that premiered Off-Broadway in 2014 and is currently running on London's West End, and a television adaptation on the Paramount Network.

"The Archive is thrilled to be partnering with VIDIOTS and The Theatre at Ace Hotel to present this teen angst classic on its 30th anniversary with so many special guests participating on stage," announced Paul Malcolm, film programmer at the Archive.

"We couldn't be more pleased to present *Heathers* with our friends at UCLA Film & Television Archive in Mary Pickford's historic theater; it is at once an anthem for a generation that came of age 30 years ago, and a timeless piece of work that hasn't aged a day—it broke the mold," said Maggie Mackay, executive director, VIDIOTS Foundation.

Link to Lisanne Falk's Q&A video with director Michael Lehmann at the BFI.

Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m., conversation and Q&A after the film.

Tickets to the event are \$20 each, at The Theatre at Ace Hotel and available <u>online now</u> for general admission seating.

## **About UCLA Film & Television Archive**

The mission of the UCLA Film & Television Archive is to save film and television for future generations.

The Archive is internationally renowned for rescuing, preserving and showcasing moving image media and is dedicated to ensuring that the visual achievements of our time are available for information, education and enjoyment. The sixth-largest moving image repository in the world, and the second largest in the U.S., behind only the Library of Congress, the Archive's more than 450,000 holdings are stored in a state-of-the-art facility that meets and exceeds all preservation standards, from nitrate film to digital.

A unit of UCLA's School of Theater, Film and Television, the Archive's Research and Study Center provides free access to its holdings to researchers, writers and educators. Many of the Archive's projects are screened at prestigious film events around the globe, as well as locally at UCLA's Billy Wilder Theater.

For more information about the UCLA Film & Television Archive, please visit the Archive website: www.cinema.ucla.edu.

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## **About VIDIOTS**

VIDIOTS, the iconic Los Angeles video store-turned film nonprofit, is currently presenting a 2019 slate of unique programming at venues across Los Angeles. Soon to re-launch as an expanded film space in L.A., with its library of 50,000+ film, television, and media titles. VIDIOTS will feature screening, social, and community spaces, and a year-round calendar of unique, inclusive film programs and events., follow on social and sign up for more information at vidiotsfoundation.org.