



## SUNDOWN CINEMA: FILM NIGHT IN THE PARK RETURNS TO SAN FRANCISCO FOR FIFTH SEASON ON JUNE 8

Presented by SF Parks Alliance and Alamo Draffthouse Cinema and driven by Waymo, Sundown Cinema will bring seven films and pre-show entertainment to seven SF parks

**SAN FRANCISCO, CA (May 10, 2023)** – Today, **SF Parks Alliance** announces the fifth season of **Sundown Cinema**, the popular free outdoor movie series that takes place in San Francisco parks. This season of Sundown Cinema will feature seven films in seven parks across the city, ranging from feel good rom-coms to thrillers to family-friendly hits.

"Sundown Cinema is a way for everyone to celebrate their parks, so it was important to us to bring an even wider range of films than we have in previous years," says Drew Becher, CEO of SF Parks Alliance. "There are movies in everyone's neighborhood, but these will be worth traveling for, too."

Sundown Cinema debuts Thursday, June 8, at Alamo Square Park with San Francisco-set cult classic *Invasion of the Body Snatchers* (1978). Next, the series will head to the Presidio Civil War Parade Ground for a screening of *Top Gun: Maverick* on June 30. Other highlights for the 2023 season include *Moana* at Crane Cove Park, a *Mamma Mia* sing along at Dolores Park, *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever* at India Basin Shoreline Park, and, *Legally Blonde* at The Ferry Building, a new location for Sundown Cinema. The season culminates with a Halloween costume contest and screening of *Ghostbusters* (1984) at Jerry Garcia Amphitheater in McLaren Park on October 20.

"Outdoor movies have been an important part of the Alamo Draffthouse culture since the beginning," says Alamo Draffthouse Cinema founder and Executive Chairman Tim League. "We're so excited to be partners on such a wonderful series."

In addition to the movie screenings, each Sundown Cinema event will include local food trucks and themed pre-show entertainment.

The entire series is free and open to the public. Attendees can secure reserved seating by becoming an SF Parks Alliance member in advance. Reserved seating ensures attendees have a space to sit, even during the most popular and busy events.

Membership supports SF Parks Alliance, the only citywide parks nonprofit in San Francisco, and comes with all the additional benefits listed [here](#). Current members and those interested in joining can secure reserved seating [here](#), and all attendees are encouraged to RSVP to movie nights in advance at [dothebay.com/sundowncinema](https://dothebay.com/sundowncinema) to win reserved seating and prizes.

Sundown Cinema is presented by **SF Parks Alliance** and **Alamo Drafthouse Cinema** and is driven by **Waymo**. It is produced by **SF Parks Alliance** and **DoTheBay** in partnership with the **SF Recreation & Park Department, Presidio Trust, and Port of San Francisco**. Special thanks to our sponsors **REI, Alaska Airlines, Xfinity, and Impress** for making another year of this celebrated series possible.

### **Sundown Cinema Schedule [all movies will begin shortly after sundown]**

- Thursday, June 8 @ Alamo Square Park - Invasion of the Body Snatchers (1978)
- Friday, June 30 @ Presidio - Top Gun: Maverick
- Friday, July 21 @ Crane Cove Park - Moana
- Friday, August 18 @ Dolores Park - Mamma Mia (sing along)
- Friday, September 8 @ India Basin Shoreline Park - Black Panther: Wakanda Forever
- Friday, September 29 @ The Ferry Building - Legally Blonde
- Friday, October 20 @ Jerry Garcia Amphitheater - Ghostbusters (1984)

### **Approved Links**

RSVP for a chance to win reserved seating + prizes at each screening:  
[dothebay.com/sundowncinema](https://dothebay.com/sundowncinema)

Support SF Parks Alliance by purchasing reserved seating:  
<https://secure.sfparksalliance.org/sundowncinema23>

### **SF Parks Alliance Media Kit**

#### **About San Francisco Parks Alliance**

SF Parks Alliance is San Francisco's only citywide parks nonprofit. For over 50 years, we've been partnering closely with communities and public agencies to create, sustain, and advocate for parks and public spaces across the city. We believe that everyone deserves access to safe and welcoming community spaces, regardless of where they live in San Francisco.

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#### **About Alamo Drafthouse**

Alamo Drafthouse Cinema was founded in 1997 as a single-screen mom and pop repertory theater in Austin, TX. Twenty-six years later, with 39 locations and counting, Alamo Drafthouse

has been called “the best theater in America” by Entertainment Weekly and “the best theater in the world” by Wired. Alamo Drafthouse has built a reputation as a movie lover’s oasis not only by combining best-in-class food and drink service with the movie-going experience, but also introducing unique programming and high-profile, star-studded special events. Alamo Drafthouse created Fantastic Fest, a world-renowned genre film festival dubbed “The Geek Telluride” by Variety featuring independents, international filmmakers, and major Hollywood studios. Alamo Drafthouse continues to expand its brand in new and exciting ways, including the American Genre Film Archive, a non-profit film archive dedicated to preserving, restoring and sharing film, and with eight new theaters announced for this year and beyond.

#### **Alamo Drafthouse Social Media:**

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**Twitter:** [twitter.com/DrafthouseSF](https://twitter.com/DrafthouseSF)  
**Website:** [drafthouse.com](http://drafthouse.com)

#### **About Waymo**

Waymo is an autonomous driving technology company with a mission to make it safe and easy for people and things to get where they’re going. Since our start as the Google Self-Driving Car Project in 2009, Waymo has been focused on building, deploying, and commercializing the World’s Most Experienced Driver™ technology to improve the world’s access to mobility while saving thousands of lives now lost to traffic crashes. The Waymo Driver powers Waymo One, the world’s first fully autonomous ride-hailing service, as well as Waymo Via, our trucking and local delivery service. To date, Waymo has autonomously driven tens of millions of miles on public roads and tens of billions of miles in simulation, across 13+ U.S. states. For more: [www.waymo.com](http://www.waymo.com).

#### **About DoTheBay**

DoTheBay is What To Do in The Bay Area. Every day, DoTheBay helps answer the question “What are we doing tonight?” for countless people in the San Francisco Bay Area. To do this right, we believe in doing things locally. We’re equal parts media property, creative agency, and event production company. Part of the [DoStuff](#) network of 20+ cities across North America.

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